

# AGENDA 20th Meeting of Working Group 2

## **North Atlantic Fisheries Agreements and RFMOs**

Tuesday 4 April 2017, 14:00 - 17:30h Hotel Renaissance. Rue du Parnasse 19, 1050 Brussels, Belgium

- 1. Welcome by the Chair and Apologies received.
- 2. Adoption of the report of the last WG2 meeting London, 15 November 2016.
- 3. Adoption of the agenda.
- 4. Bilateral Fisheries Agreement:
- 4.1. Summary by the EC on state of play of negotiations and questions of interest:
  - Norway
  - Faroe
  - Iceland
  - Greenland

#### 5. Svalbard:

- 5.1. Update from the Commission on dialogue with Norway
- 5.2. Snow Crab: Follow up of Commission's reply to LDAC advice (12/12/2016)
- 6. Update from WG4 Chair on Fisheries Partnership Agreements



#### 7. North West Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (NAFO)

- 7.1. Report from the Commission on:
  - o Review of Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE) for Greenland Halibut.
  - o Review of Harvest Control Rules (HCR) for 3M Cod.
  - Implementation of landing obligation (LO) in NAFO RA Delegated Act adopted and forthcoming legislative acts for by-catches in 2018-2019.
- 7.2. Work planning of the LDAC in the drafting process for its annual advice on NAFO.
- 7.3. Update on EU industry-led voluntary initiatives for selectivity tests in trawlers with sorting grids for 3M Cod fishery.

### 8. North East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC)

- 8.1. European Commission's update on Coastal States consultations and on the 2 NEAFC working groups on Allocation Criteria and Management Framework.
- 8.2. ICES presentation on scientific cooperation and Ecosystem considerations and approach for stock assessments.
- 8.3. EFCA presentation on activity report (SCIP/JDP) in NEAFC.
- 8.4. LDAC proposal on Request for Advice to ICES for improving knowledge and data on biology, catches and discards of deep-water species in NEAFC RA.
- 8.5. Other topics of interest (VMEs, work with OSPAR...)
- 9. Report on preparation of a Joint LDAC-PelAC International Conference on Implementation of External Dimension of the CFP in the North Atlantic fisheries.
- 10. International Ocean Governance.
- 11. Date and Venue for next WG2 meeting.