

AGENDA

North Western Waters Regional Advisory Council

Focus Group Meeting on West of Scotland mixed demersal fisheries

Georges Hall, Dublin Castle

Wednesday 26 March 2014 11:30-13:00

11:30 - 11:45	1.	Welcome and Opening from the Chair, Sean O' Donoghue
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- Introduction of the participants;
- Adoption of the agenda;
- Adoption of the minutes of the last meeting (Paris, 31 Jan 2013)

11:45 - 12:05 **2.** Review of work priorities and objectives of the Focus Group

- Decision and outcomes of last WG1 meeting (Paris, 8 Nov. 2014)
- Update on the work of the NSRAC Demersal Working Group

12:05 - 12:35 **3.** Discussion on elements to develop a fisheries management plan

- Scope
- Scientific uncertainties / data deficiencies
- Toolbox of management measures
- Reduction of discards/ gear selectivity
- Fully Documented Fisheries
- Environmental aspects (e.g. MAREFRAME case study)
- Socio-economic impacts for the national fleets

Work plan, strategy and timetable for deliverables for 2014

12:35 - 12:55 **4. Update on the Marine Protected Areas process in Scotland**

Michael McLeod (Marine Scotland)

12:55 - 13:00 5. Summary of action points and concluding remarks by the Chair