



# AGENDA

## Working Group 1 West of Scotland and Western Approaches

Wednesday 8 July 2015

11:30 - 13:30

Conference Room 01, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh.

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| 11:30 – 11:35 | <b>1. Welcome by the Chair (John Anderson)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Apologies received;</li><li>• Adoption of the agenda;</li><li>• Adoption of the report from the last meeting (Bilbao, 23 April)</li></ul> |
| 11:35 – 11:45 | <b>2. Action points from the last meeting</b>  |
| 11:45 – 12:05 | <b>3. Follow up on the ICES advice</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Summary of key points relating to area VI</li><li>• Discussion</li></ul>  |
| 12:05 – 12:30 | <b>4. Landing Obligation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NWW Joint recommendation</li><li>• Roskilde control and enforcement meeting</li><li>• Other issues</li><li>• Discussion</li></ul>                           |
| 12:30 – 13:10 | <b>5. Multi-Annual Plans</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• EU consultation on Multi-annual plans for the management of demersal fisheries in western EU waters</li><li>• Discussion</li></ul>                          |
| 13:10 – 13:25 | <b>6. WG1 Work programme year 10 – see annex</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Recap of actions so far and forward planning</li></ul>  |
| 13.25 – 13:30 | <b>7. Summary of actions and proposals to be put forward to the Executive Committee by the Rapporteur</b>  |



## **Work programme for year 10 (October 2014 – September 2015)**

### **3.2.1. West of Scotland (VIa)**

The NWWAC will continue to work with key stakeholders, scientists and economists to progress the development of a management plan for this area in the long term.

The NWWAC will address the following topics for West of Scotland demersal fisheries (including cod, haddock, whiting, hake, anglerfish, plaice, sole and Nephrops):

1. Scientific uncertainties in relation to SSB and F;
2. Reporting of total catches (i.e. landings + discards);
3. Reduction of fishing mortality to  $F_{max}$ ;
4. Effective discard reduction and/or elimination strategies;
5. Mitigation of data deficiencies lying within the responsibility of the fishing industry and/or Member States;
6. Control and compliance; studies on fully documented fisheries.