



AGENDA

JOINT RAC FOCUS GROUP ON DEEP-SEA HABITATS AND SPECIES CNPMM, PARIS

**Wednesday 21st of November 2012
09:30-16:30h**

MORNING SESSION (9:30-13:00)

Collaboration between scientists and stakeholders for the protection of deep-sea habitats

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| 09:30 - 09:45 | 1. Welcome and Opening from the Chair, Marc Ghiglia <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction of the participants and speakers;• Adoption of the agenda / terms of reference;• Opening remarks and objectives of the meeting; |
| 09:45 - 10:30 | 2. Presentation of DEEPFISHMAN Project <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report on main outcomes – <i>Pascal Lorange (IFREMER)</i>• Dialogue with stakeholders - Exchange of views from the floor |
| 10:30 - 11:00 | 3. Presentation of CORALFISH Project <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report on main outcomes – <i>Anthony Grehan (NUI Galway)</i>• Dialogue with stakeholders - Exchange of views from the floor |
| 11:00 – 11:30 | 4. Presentation of Spanish Scientific Projects on Seabed Mapping for underpinning Vulnerable Marine Ecosystems in NEAFC and NAFO waters <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summary of four projects – <i>Pablo Durán (IEO)</i>• Questions and answers from the floor |
| 11:30-12:00 | 5. Presentation of HERMIONE Project <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Terms of reference/objectives – <i>Philip Weaver (NOC Southampton)</i>• Dialogue with stakeholders - Exchange of views from the floor |
| 12:00 – 13:00 | 6. Towards an enhanced collaboration between scientists and stakeholders to achieve a balance between the protection of vulnerable ecosystems and habitats and a sustainable exploitation of the deepsea stocks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identification of areas of collaboration and work required• Allocation of tasks and responsibilities• Incentives to for a fully documented fishery• Proposed way forward: future work plan and meetings timetable |

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS AND CONCLUSION BY THE RAPPORTEUR, Monica Verbeek

LUNCH BREAK (13:00-14:00 h)



AFTERNOON SESSION (14:00-16:30)

Management of Deep-sea Stocks Fishing Opportunities for 2013-2014 and Access Regime to Fishing

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| 14:00 - 14:45 | 7. Presentation on the State of the deep-sea Stocks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ICES advice for 2013-2014 – <i>Tom Blasdale (Chair of ICES WGDEEP)</i>• Commission's proposal on fishing opportunities for deep-sea stocks• Exchange of views from the floor |
| 14:45 – 16:15 | 8. EC proposal of Regulation on specific conditions to fishing for deep-sea stocks in the North East Atlantic and repealing Regulation (EC) No 2347/2002. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Main elements of the EC proposal - <i>Fernando Nieto Conde (DGMARE)</i>• Preparation of a Joint RAC response - Discussion• Proposed way forward: work and timetable |
| 16:15 – 16:25 | 9. Summary of actions points by the rapporteur <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agreed set of action points and timeframe for delivery of outputs• Conclusions and procedures for adoption of a joint RAC advice |
| 16:25 - 16:30 | CONCLUDING REMARKS BY THE CHAIR AND CLOSING |