



**JOINT RAC SEMINAR ON LONG TERM MANAGEMENT PLANS  
11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of September  
Nantes, France**

***Draft interim presentation (updated: 03/07/08)***

**OVERVIEW:**

Long-term management plans could help achieving the political objective of moving depleted stocks towards Maximum Sustainable Yield, whilst at the same time providing greater stability, economic and social benefits for the fishing industry and the civil society.

The enforcement of long-term management plan could also allow avoiding yearly bargain on TACs and quotas. It would provide a framework for each fishery, agreed for a longer period, thus giving much more long sight both to the fishing industry and the civil society.

Gathering all the different stakeholders around a fishery, Regional Advisory Councils have a major role to play in this process. Nevertheless moving towards this process needs the best possible coordination (in terms of time schedule and means available) between the European Commission, national administrations, the scientific community and the Regional Advisory Councils.

Based on the past experiences in and outside the European Union, the seminar will enable to explore these different needs to improve the work done by Regional Advisory Councils on the future long-term management plans.



## DRAFT AGENDA:

### DAY 1: Thursday 11th of September (afternoon)

Time Schedule	Item	Speaker
13.30 – 14.00	Welcome and opening speech	President of the region "Pays de la Loire"
14.00 – 14.30	Implementation of the Long Term Management Plans in European Fisheries	<i>European Commission</i>
14.30 – 15.00	ICES experience on working on long term management plan	<i>ICES</i>
15.00 – 15.30	FAO experience on working on long term management plans	<i>FAO</i>
15.30 – 16.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
16.00 – 16.30	How Economic aspects are included in long term management plans?	<i>Economist</i>
16.30 – 17.00	How governance can help to build robust long term management plans?	<i>Sociologist</i>
17.00 – 17.30	Long Term Management plans & the implementation of the ecosystem approach	<i>Environmental NGO</i>
17.30 – 18.30	Plenary discussion with Panel, recommendations, next steps	<i>Chair</i>
18.30 – 20.30	<i>Cocktails and wine degustation offered by AGLIA</i>	

### DAY 2: Friday 12th September (morning)

08.30 – 09.00	<i>Coffee and croissants</i>	
09.00 – 11.00	<b>RAC's experiences on working on Long Term Management plans</b>	<i>Chair</i>
	09.00 – 09.20	Baltic Sea
	09.20 – 09.40	North Sea
	09.40 – 10.00	North Western Waters
10.00 – 10.20	<i>Coffee break</i>	
	10.20 – 10.40	Pelagic Species
	10.40 – 11.00	South Western Waters
11.00 – 12.00	Plenary discussion with Panel, recommendations, next steps	<i>Chair</i>
12.00 – 12.30	Sum-up speak	<i>Rapporteur</i>
12.30 – 14.00	<i>Lunch offered by the region "Pays de la Loire"</i>	