# Focus Group on the development of a management strategy for Seabass

(FGBass / GDBar / GELubina)

Dublin, 15 September 2016



#### 1. Welcome and introductions

 Welcome by the acting Chair (Jim Portus)

Adoption of the agenda

Action points from the last meeting

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#### Paris, February 2016

Secretariat to set up a meeting for an Advice
Drafting Group for seabass in March, to be
chaired by Barrie Deas. The group would
consider short-term advice proposals as well as
the process for drafting advice for 2017 and
beyond.

## 2. NWWAC advice May 2016

- EC response
- Progress in the North Sea AC

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# Points from the EC response for further development:

- a) Consequences of including the northern stock in the NWW MAP
- b) Catch and discard information for STECF
- c) Selectivity trial proposals for specific fisheries
- d) Identifying nursery areas and associated fisheries (management)
- e) Evaluation of alternative closed seasons for 110 mm driftnets
- f) Recreational fisheries concrete management proposals

#### 3. Progress industry-science partners

- UK CEFAS (Lisa Readdy)
- France Ifremer
- Recreational fisheries

### 4. Planning and Terms of Reference

- Timing of advice:
  - November; STECF
  - December; Council
- Points to be addressed by the ADG

