Focus Group on the development of a fishing management strategy for Brown Crab (FGCrab / GDTourteau / GEBuey)

Dublin, 15 September 2016



1. Welcome and introductions

 Welcome by the acting Chair (Norah Parke)

Adoption of the agenda

Preliminary comments, context

2. Election of chair and rapporteur

Nominations

Election

2. Terms of Reference

Objective: Improve management of the brown crab fishery including:

- fishing effort;
- defining the fishing periods;
- licensing and monitoring system;
- solving the problem of latent fishing effort (harmonising the effort management measures across the region).

Also consider the impact of measures on the crab market (goal: optimal use of catches).

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Time frame and deadline:

Meeting dates:

Finalise a joint fisheries management strategy for brown crab by the end of 2017.

A minimum of two meetings per year is needed.

The first meeting could be held in October, 2016.

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Decisions on the process for 2016-2017

Defining the key points

Who does what?

