

Árainn Mhór Island Co. Donegal Ireland F92 YT52

To: Advisory Council

From: Seamus Bonner, Irish Island Marine Resource Organisation NITIAL SOM

Date: 9 May 2016

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write on behalf of my organisation, Irish Islands Marine Resource Organisation (IIMRO).

We are a member based national organisation of small scale island fishermen who do not feel that our interests are presently appropriately represented at Advisory Council level.

We therefore apply for membership of the North Western Waters Advisory Council as a representative of the small-scale fishers sector and would be most grateful for your early consideration of this request.

We note the requirement under Article 4 [3] of the Commission Delegated Regulation of 9.10.2014 that the general assembly may decide to appoint an executive committee of up to 30 members to ensure appropriate representation of small scale fleets.

On that basis we would request that we are appointed to the executive committee from the outset in order that the Advisory Council meets the requirement under Article 4[3 & 6] of the aforesaid Regulation to ensure a balanced and wide representation of all stakeholders, with emphasis on small scale fleets, where appropriate. We would also of course seek to play a full part in the Working Groups of the Advisory Council as appropriate.

We also refer you to the statement within the Regulation that recognises that small scale fisheries play an important social, economic, environmental and cultural role in numerous coastal communities throughout the European Union.

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Application to become a member of the

*Reason for application

scamus@iimro.org

Official website: www.iimro.org

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As small scale interests we have limited resources and would be grateful for your consideration of the need at [6] in the Preamble to ensure the efficient participation of small scale fisheries interests in the work of the Advisory Councils, including by contributing to the costs and loss of income that such participation may entail. This approach is supported by **Article 6** of the Delegated Regulation that requires the Council to offer additional compensation to fishermen representing small scale fleet organisations for their efficient participation to its work on top of the reimbursement of their travel and accommodation expenses. We note of course the requirement that such compensation shall be duly justified for each case.

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Please ensure that you fill in all criteria, particularly those denoted with an (*).

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*Signatures of Representative(s):	Seamus Borner	
*Name and Signature of Organisation Chairman	Organisation Stamp	
Name:Jerry Early Signature:Serry last		

*Please indicate the groups you would like to join by ticking the boxes:

General Assembly Membership: €300 X ↓

Executive Council X ✓

Working Group 1: €250 X ✓

(ICES VIa, Vb)

Working Group 2: €250 X ✓

(ICES VII b-k except d,e)

Working Group 3: €250

(ICES VII d,e)

Working Group 4: €250

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