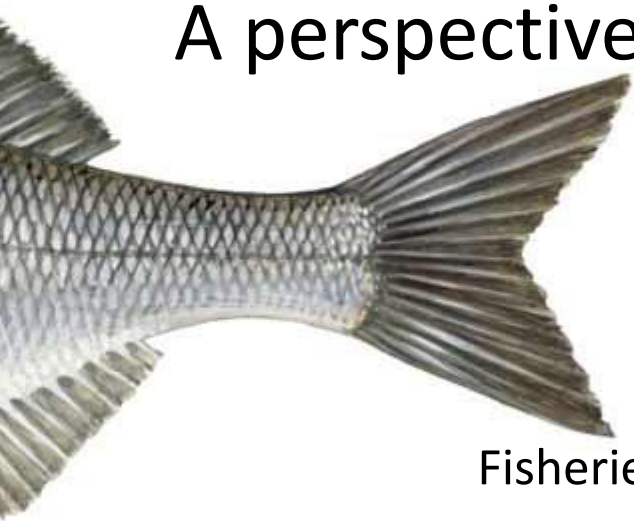


# A future for sea bass

A perspective from the North Sea Foundation



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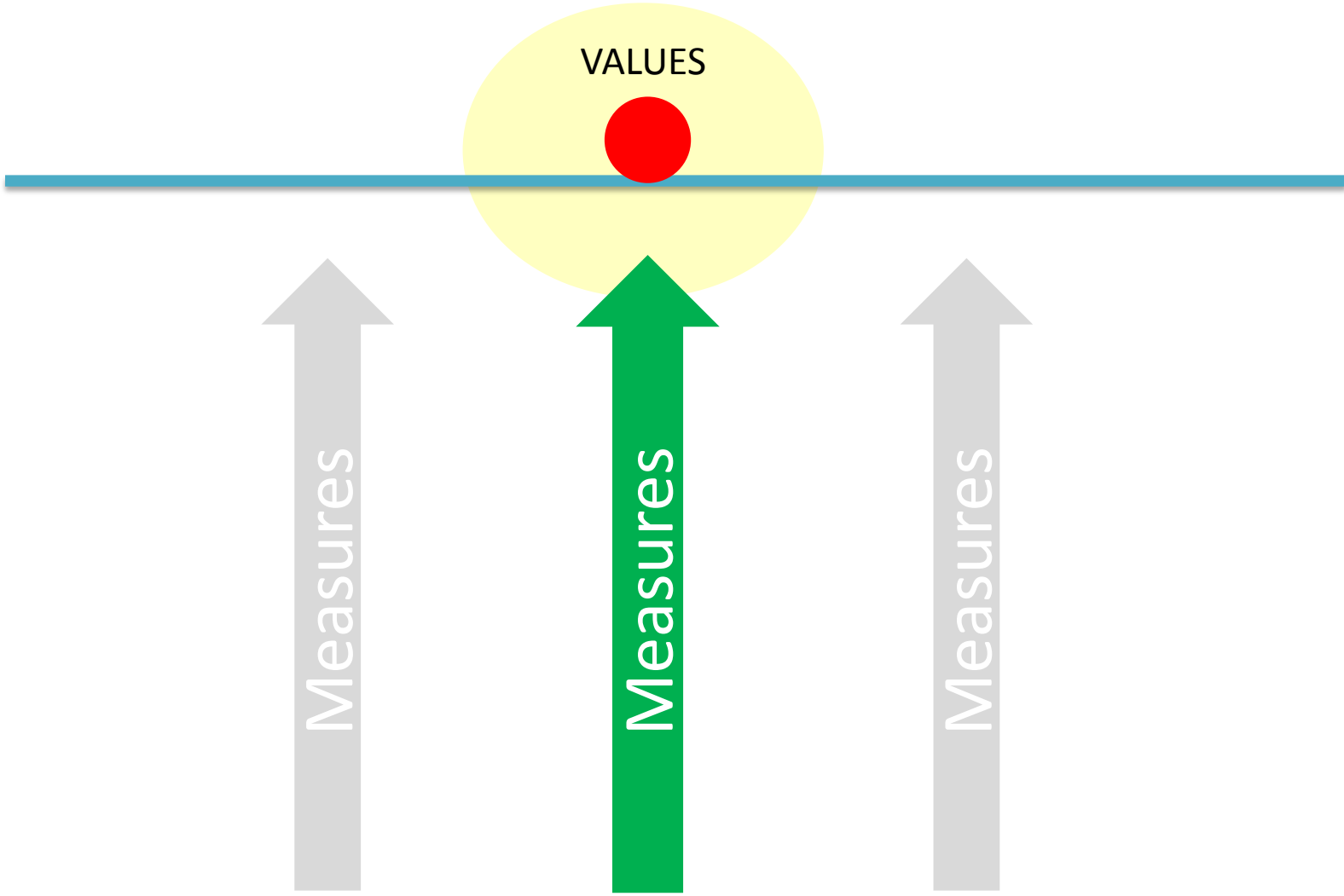
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=21ymT6ge-kl&feature=youtu.be>

ICES recommends landings of 1,155t

Recent landings 5,500t

Overfishing at double  $F_{msy}$  since 1980s

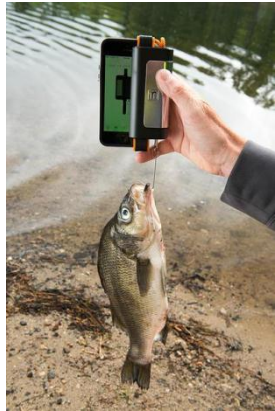
Reduction F of 60%





**Cultural values** of sea bass: room for recreational fishing

A fishery that comes at highest social benefit at **lowest env. costs**



Culture of **compliance**: no room for IUU and poaching



Fishers record catches & takes: Real-time catch monitoring



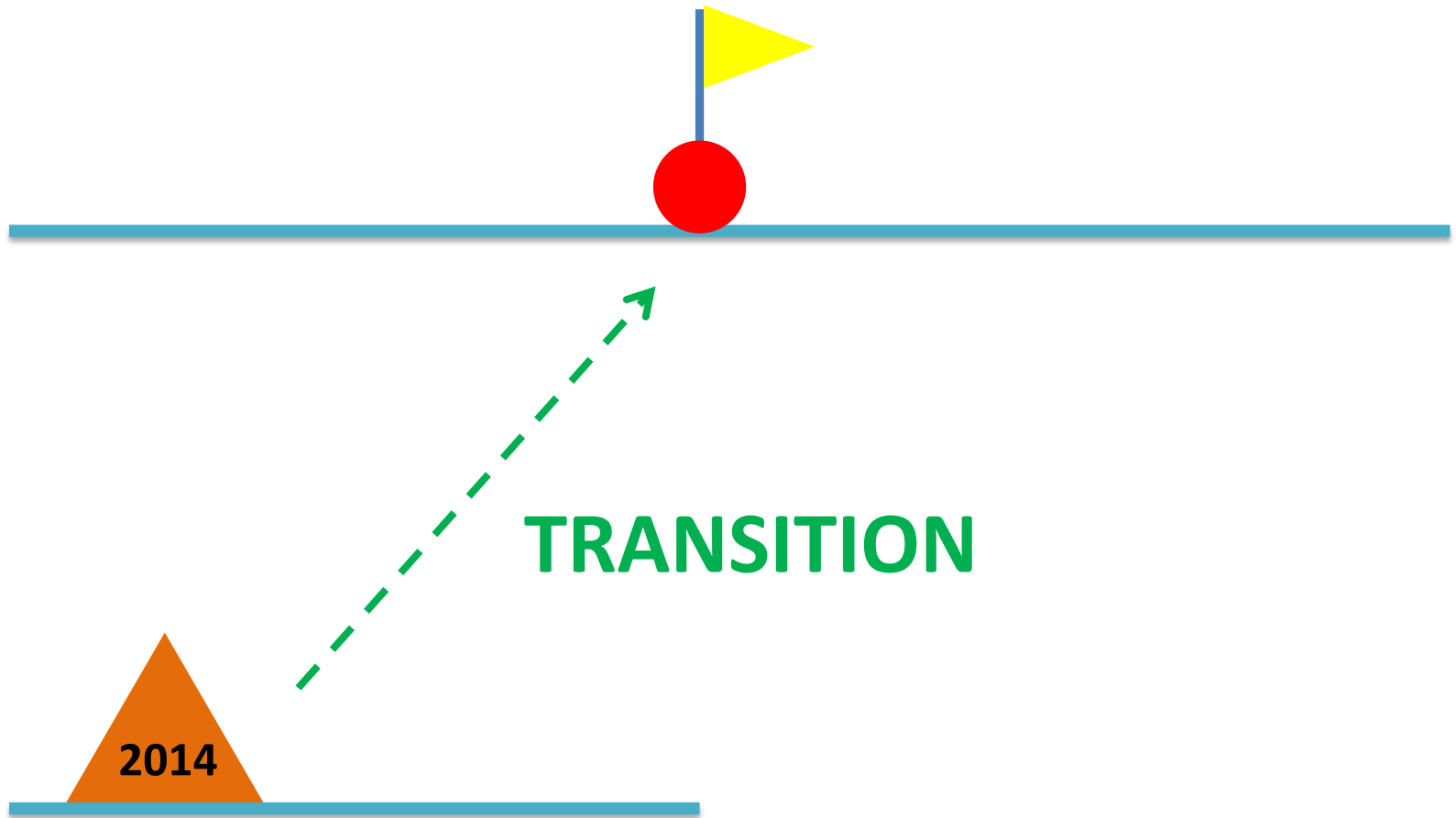
A **healthy stock** that can maintain its natural role in the ecosystem



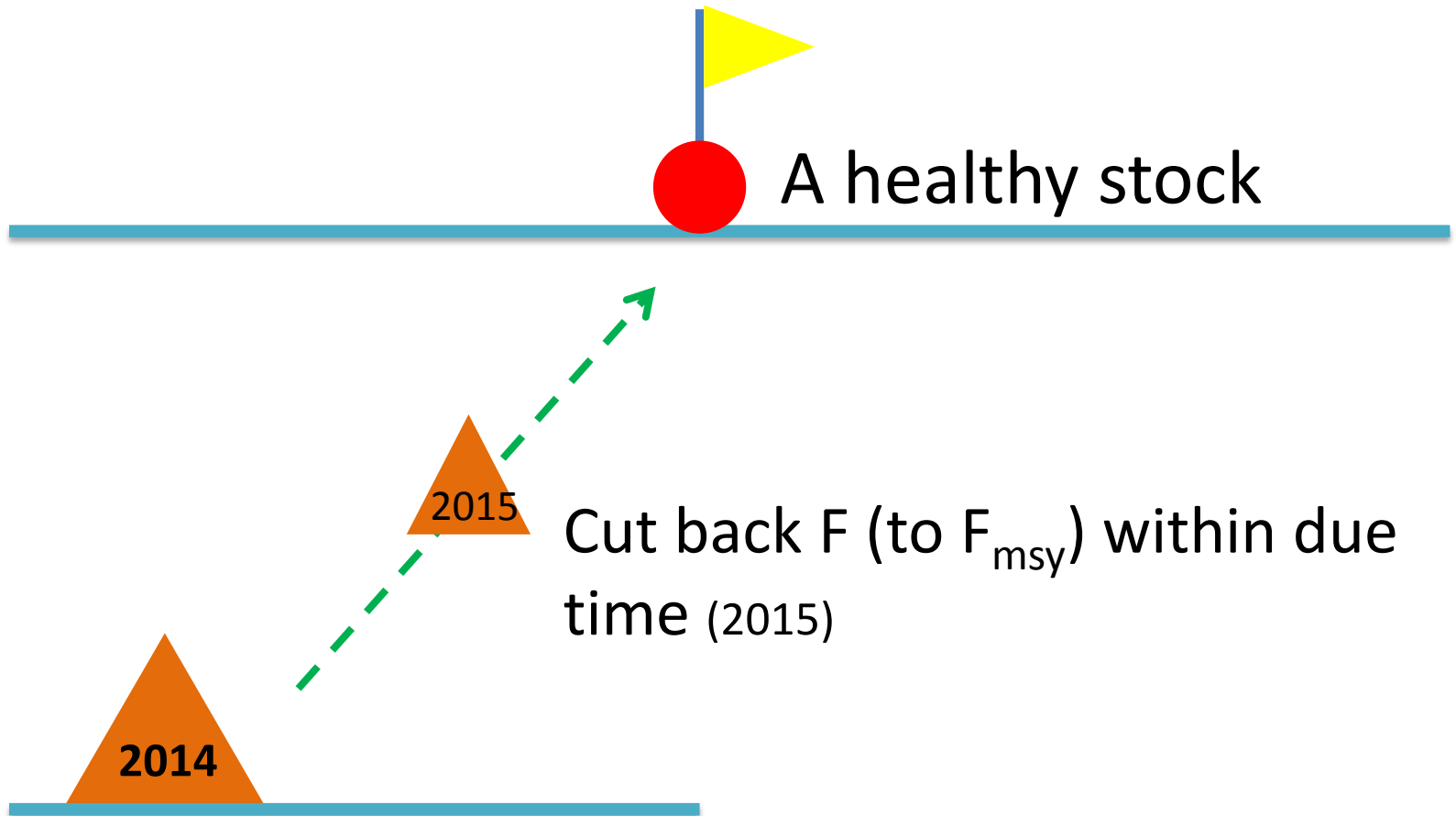
**Quality over quantity.** Max. return/kilo fish

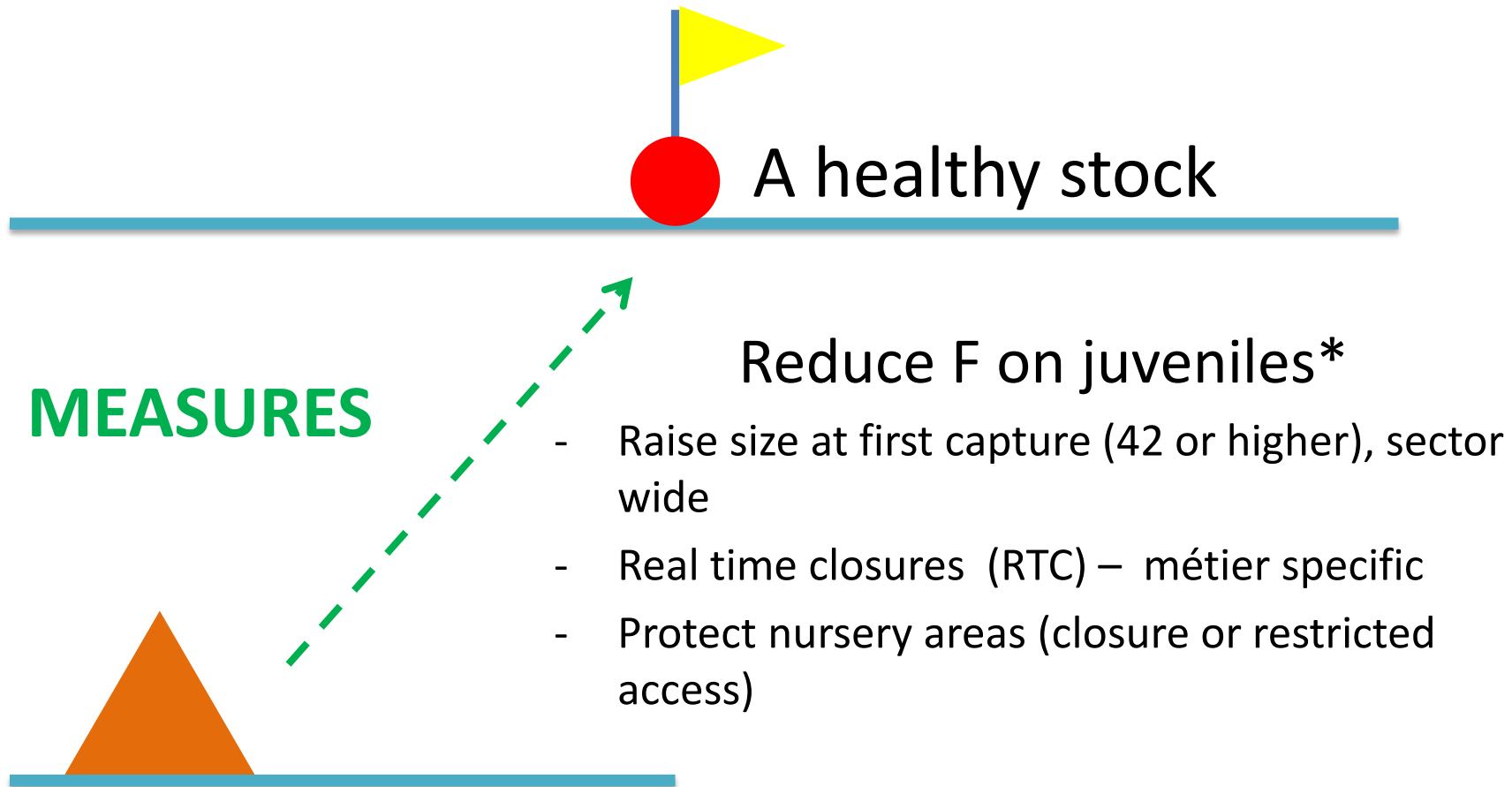
**Socio-economic value** of sea bass: access to resources for coastal communities





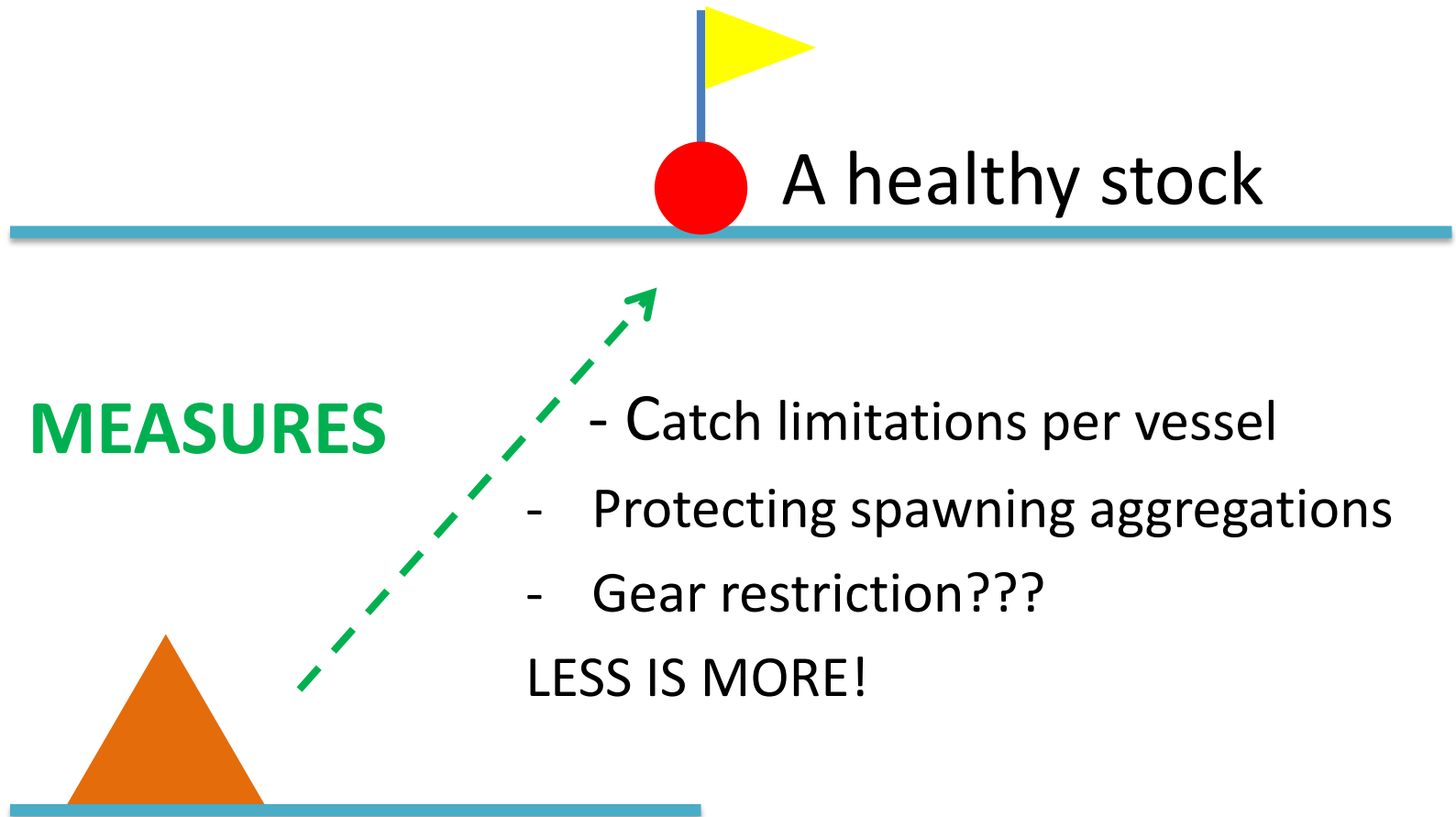
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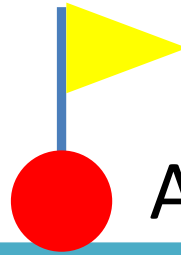


\*Pawson, M. G., Pickett, G. D., Smith, M.T. (2004) and personal + Communication Pawson





Need to evaluate measures against the set of management objectives:  
including social objectives!

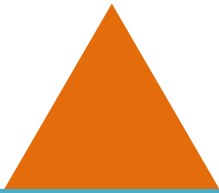


A healthy stock

**Supporting  
MEASURES**

FULL documentation of catches  
& takes (Fully Documented Fishing)

Control Tot. effort in commercial  
fishery (e.g. cap on licenses)



Min. Env. Impact & Compliance

**MEASURES**

Incentivising transition to  
Low Impact Fishing &  
compliance

>>> Reward best practices and responsible behaviour



# Min. Env. Impact & Compliance

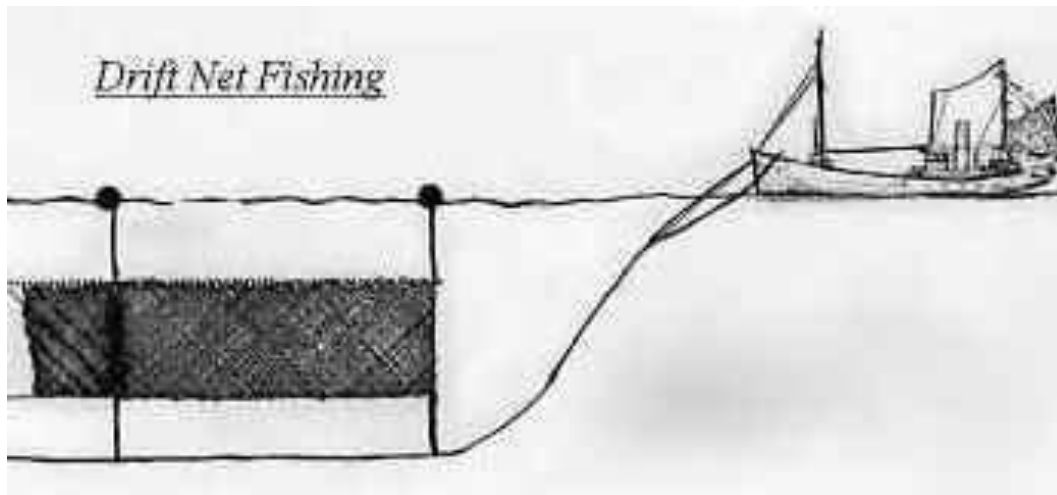
**MEASURES**

Access to Fish Resources  
based on a set of transparent  
Social, economic and environmental  
criteria

\* Regulation (EU) No1380/2013

# Application of Preferential Access

An Example: drift net fishing for Sea bass



- Cetacean by-catch
- Practices to address by-catch problem
- Preferential access for best practice = transition



Again:

**Fully Documented Fishing!**


Real-time catch monitoring

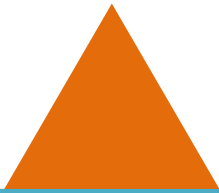


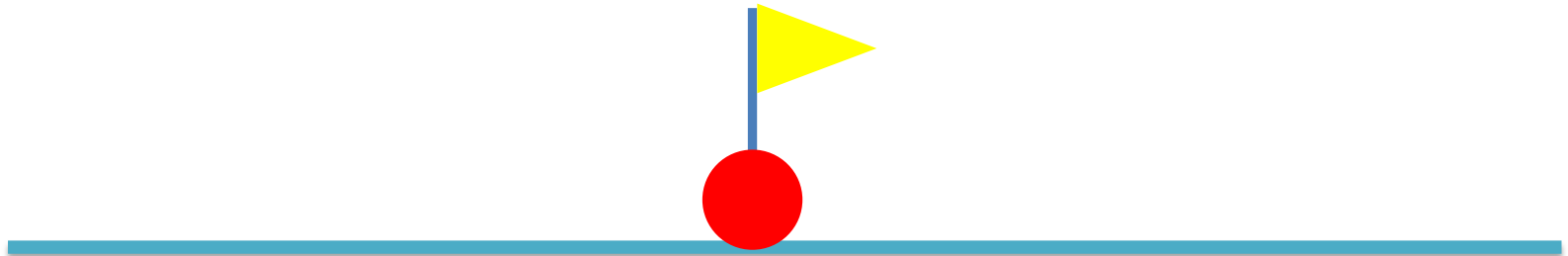
# Phase out IUU & poaching

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## MEASURES

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- Traceability in supply chain:  
e.g. *"This fish"*
  - Sensible bag limit for recreational
  - Better control & enforcement





A new CFP

Seabass: the 1st fishery with a LTMP designed  
under new CFP!

**Let this be a showcase!**



