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## AGENDA

### FOCUS GROUP ON SEABASS (FGBass)

**The Main Conference Centre – Dublin Castle**  
**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2016**  
**13:30 – 16:30**

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| 13:30 – 13:35 | <b>1. Welcome and introductions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcome from the Chair (Barrie Deas)</li><li>• Adoption of the agenda</li><li>• Action points from the minutes of the last meeting (Paris, February 2016)</li></ul>  |
| 13:35 – 14:20 | <b>2. NWWAC advice May 2016 – and the EC response (<a href="#">link</a>)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Presentation of response</li><li>• Progress in the North Sea AC</li><li>• Points from the EC response for further development:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Consequences of including the northern stock<sup>1</sup> in the NWW MAP</li><li>b. Catch and discard information for STECF</li><li>c. Selectivity trial proposals for specific fisheries</li><li>d. Identifying nursery areas and associated fisheries (management)</li><li>e. Evaluation of alternative closed seasons for 110 mm driftnets</li><li>f. Recreational fisheries – concrete management proposals</li></ul></li></ul> |
| 14:20 – 15:00 | <b>3. Progress with industry – science partnerships</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• UK - CEFAS (Lisa Readdy)</li><li>• France - Ifremer</li><li>• Recreational fisheries</li></ul>   |
| 15:00 – 15:30 | <b>Coffee</b>  |
| 15:30 – 16:20 | <b>4. Planning and Terms of Reference for an Advice Drafting Group (ADG)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Timing of advice:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>November; STECF</li><li>December; Council</li></ul></li><li>• Points to be addressed by the ADG</li></ul>  |
| 16:20 – 16:30 | <b>5. Summary of actions agreed and decisions adopted by the Chair</b>   |

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<sup>1</sup> Northern stock = Divisions 4.b–c, 7.a, and 7.d–h (ICES advice: [link](#)),  
Western stock in Divisions 6.a, 7.b, and 7.j (ICES advice: [link](#))