

DRAFT Agenda

**North Western Waters Regional Advisory Committee
Focus Group on Deep-Water Gillnets
6th of February 2008
10.00- 13.30 h
CNPMEM - Paris**

1. Welcome (10:00-10:15 h)
 - Adoption of Agenda
 - Adoption of Minutes from last meeting (June 2007)
2. Debriefing of the last December Council (10:15-10:45 h): definition of objectives, priorities and time-scale for actions to be undertaken by the NWWRAC in 2008 → Jacques Pichon
3. NWWRAC input for the development of co-ordinated observation campaigns (10:45-11:30 h)
 - Background and current situation → Stéphanie Tachaires
 - Guidelines for cooperation with scientific network of experts to develop a single joint framework protocol: identification of useful data from previous national surveys, procedures to be followed in relation to the set in motion of these campaigns (countries participating, types of campaigns, selection of vessels, composition of multinational teams of inspectors, dates...), content of first pilot experimental campaigns in 2008 (what to measure?) → Norman Graham, Phil Mc Mullen & DEEPCLEAN members
 - Nomination of a new candidate to be the NWWRAC contact person with the scientific network of experts in deepwater gillnets.

COFFEE BREAK (11:30-11:45 h)

4. Mesh size for hake fisheries in Area VII (11:45-12:15 h) → Jacques Pichon
5. Collaboration with DEEPCLEAN Project in the identification and retrieval of Ghost Nets (12:15-13:00 h): areas with fishing activity to undertake ghost net surveys → Norman Graham & Phil McMullen (DEEPCLEAN)
6. Review of the marking requirements of the Regulation (CE) 356/2005 in terms of crew safety onboard (13:00-13:15 h)
 - Any proposals of new actions to be carried out? → David Milly
 - Update in relation to the survey on international practices on passive gears funded by the Commission... → NWWRAC Secretariat
7. Monitoring, control and enforcement issues regarding the current regulation (13:15-13:25 h) → Ian Gatt
8. AOB (13:25-13:30 h)