



AGENDA

North Western Waters Regional Advisory Council

FOCUS GROUP ON SKATES, RAYS AND SHARKS CNP MEM – PARIS

Wednesday 29th of February 2012
14:00 – 17:00

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| 14:00 - 14:15 | 1. Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introductions and Apologies;• Adoption of the Agenda;• Adoption of the Report of the last meeting (Madrid, 16/09/2011)• Setting the scene by the Chair, Eibhlin O'Sullivan |
| 14:15 - 14:45 | 2. Presentation on the state of Skates and Rays in ICES areas VI and VII (Graham Johnston, Chair of ICES WGEF) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology and distribution of rays: ICES advice for 2012-2014• Questions and exchange of views from the floor |
| 14:45 - 15:15 | 3. Input to proposals on rays from national initiatives in: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Belgium (Kelle Moreau – ILVO)• Spain (AZTI-Tecnalia) |
| 15:15 - 15:45 | 4. Open discussion on management measures for skates and rays <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Development of a NWWRAC position?• Proposed way forward: timetable |

15:45 - 16:00

Coffee Break

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| 16:00 - 16:50 | 5. Management Measures for sharks: Porbeagle, Dogfish and Tope <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview of state of sharks (G. Johnston, ICES WGEF)• Proposals from the industry – Paul Trebilcock• Open discussion and comments from the floor• Proposed way forward: next steps |
| 16:45 - 16:50 | 6. Summary of actions and concluding remarks by the Chair |

Close of the meeting