

AGENDA

North Western Waters Regional Advisory Council

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

CNPMEM – Paris Wednesday 29th of February 2012 09:00-13:00

09:00 - 09:05 1. Welcome by the Chair, Bertie Armstrong

- Apologies
- Adoption of the agenda
- Adoption of the minutes of the last meeting (Dublin, 27th of October)

09:05 - 09:35 **2. Actions put forward by geographical Working Groups**

Working Group 1 (West of Scotland) Deputy Chair: Víctor Badiola
Working Group 2 (West of Ireland) Chair: Jesús Lourido
Working Group 3 (Channel) Chair: Daniel Lefèvre
Working Group 4 (Irish Sea) Chair: Alan McCulla

Adoption of actions by the Executive Committee

09:35 - 09:55 **3. Decisions regarding procedures and membership**

- Proposal from the Secretariat on review of rules of procedure: suggested amendments
- Proposal from members for a fast-track procedure for the adoption of NWWRAC letters (S. O'Donoghue / J. Pichon)
- Application for Executive Committee membership from Seas at Risk (other interest groups – 1/3)

09:55 - 10:15 4. Update on the Commission's work programme and consultations

- EC Work priorities in relation to North Western Waters
- Questions from the floor

10:15 - 10:45 5. Input to the EC review on the functioning of the RACs within the CFP reform

- Performance assessment of the RACs: case study SWW (P. Baelde)
- Discussion on the operating mechanisms of the NWWRAC (structure, composition, procedures) Proposed way forward

Coffee break (10:45 - 11:00)



- Current status and preparation of advice (B. Armstrong / B. Deas)
- Forthcoming events: decisions on NWWRAC participation at the European Parliament Public Hearing on Regionalisation (Secretariat)

11:30 - 11:45 **7. Data Deficiencies for stocks assessments**

- Work Progress from Working Groups (Chairs)
- Report from MIRAC 2012: next steps (Secretariat / Barrie Deas)

11:45 - 12:00 8. Progress report on external meetings with NWWRAC participation

- Joint RAC Conference on Mixed Fisheries (Barrie Deas)
- Control and Compliance in Western Waters (Secretariat)
- Update on the proposal to form an Inter-RAC group of RAC Chairs

12:00 - 12:45 9. MAIA Project: a network of Marine Protected Areas in the Atlantic Arc

- Project Presentation Amandine Eynaudi (MAIA Project Manager)
- Exchange of views among members

12:45 - 12:50 **10. Summary of actions agreed and concluding remarks by the Chair**

Close of the meeting