



Channel scallop case-study update

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About Gap 2

- EU FP7 Funded project
- Multi-member state
- Based on participatory research involving stakeholders
 - scientists, fishers, policy makers
- Work-package 1 looking at establishing groups to develop management plans



Channel Scallop Workshop

- Examine scallop management in the Channel
- Bring together groups including catching sector, processors, government, scientists and NGOs
- Identify potential opportunities to strengthen the existing management framework, improve the scientific knowledge base;
- Develop long-term goals



Best practice examples of well managed scallop fisheries:

- Maine (US) scallop fishery
- Isle of Man scallop fishery
- Shetland scallop fishery
- Also looked at UK and French management systems



Workshop Process Overview

Where do you want to be in 2 years?

What do you want to change?

Proposal development feedback in plenary, & next steps



Desired Workshop Outcomes

- Increased trust between different stakeholders
- Shared understanding of the challenges and opportunities for scallop fishermen
- Greater awareness of different perspectives on scallop management in the Channel
- A number of proposals for improvements that can be developed further
- Proposed date and venue for a follow up event in France



Workshop Outcomes

It was agreed that:

- 1. Improved data is vital to the long-term, sustainable future for the fishery.
- 2. Fishers would welcome the opportunity to support scientific studies directed towards a full scallop stock assessment.
- 3. A full capacity assessment of scallop boats operating in the Channel should be undertaken.



Workshop Outcomes

- 4. Particular attention should be paid to ICES area VIId, including the harmonisation of technical measures.
- 5. This will require further discussion to reach consensus.
- 6. All measures must be driven, bottom-up, by industry.
- 7. The establishment of a dedicated working group



Workshop outputs - Comms

Great to see our workshop out there in the fish-focussed media. Here are a few choice pieces:

- A fantastic cover story on the workshop in Fishing News International: 'Scallops- Sustainable and Profitable'
- EDF Blog Erin Priddle from the Environmental Defense Fund writes on 'Breaking down barriers and building up trust' in the Scallop fishery
- The workshop was featured in The Grocer magazine <u>'British and French in</u> scallop war talks'
- FishNewsEU wrote a piece on the 'Scallop Ceasefire'
- This great, feature-length, piece appeared in SeafoodSource 'From warring scallopers to brothers in arms'
- The French media took an interest too: <u>'Saints-jacques, Britanniques et</u>
 Francais dialoguent' was published by <u>Produits de la Mer</u>



For the post-event release - click here.

For a blog on the workshop, written by Trisha De Graaf from the Maine scallop fishery – click here.

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Workshop outputs - final report





CHANNEL SCALLOP MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

GAP 2 PROJECT AND NORTH WESTERN WATERS ADVISORY COUNCIL (NWWAC)

REPORT

Executive Summary

On 15 And 16 April, 2014 a two-day workshop on the future management of the scallop fishery in the Channel was held in Brixham, England. The workshop was funded by GAP2 (an international EC funded research project) and logistical support was provided by the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) – UK, the Environmental Defense Fund (EDF) and the North Western Waters Advisory Council (NWWAC).



Photo Credit: GAP2

The workshop had 3 high level aims:

- To examine scallop management in the channel, including challenges to success and opportunities to improve current management.
- To bring together a wide range of participants from all coastal Member States concerned about Channel scallop management (predominantly France, UK – England, Scotland, Wales, Isle of Man, Ireland, Netherlands and Belgium) to discuss future management options through a participatory process.
- 3. To provide an inclusive and participative forum to engage industry in the design and management of their fishery and identify potential opportunities to strengthen the existing management framework, improve the scientific knowledge base, and develop long-term goals to deliver a profitable, sustainable fishery compliant with both MSFD and CFP policy objectives.

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Thank you

















Channel scallop workshop 2 forward planning

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Scallop Workshop aims

- Build on outputs from the GAP2 Channel Scallop workshop in Brixham - focus on filling science and data needs.
- Engage in dialogue on the role and value of technology to support industry dependent data
- Develop greater economic understanding, including role of markets to improve price, quality and access.
- Agree principles of long-term management plan for the future health and profitability of the Channel scallop fishery



Workshop outcomes?

- Build on positive outcomes of previous workshop to create output-focused, action-oriented event.
- Explore opportunities and practical next steps for industry-led data collection and improved scientific assessment.
- Potential pilot to trial new and innovative technologies that support industry-dependent data collection.
- Develop a roadmap created by workshop participants that puts industry on road towards sustainability.
- Establish industry-led group to engage in co-management process to take forward workshop outputs.



What do you think?

- We'd like to know your thoughts!
- Are the aims in line with your thinking?
- Do the outcomes establish a path to achieving industry goals?
- Thank you...