

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Title:

Focus Group on Skates and Rays management alternatives (FGRays)

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Working Languages:

English, French, Spanish

Time frame and deadline:

Meeting dates: tbd

Advice to ExCom for decision: tbd

Objective – Concrete output for the meeting in one or two paragraphs:

- 1) Assess the performance of past management decisions (such as the multi-species TAC and differentiated TACs in France).
- 2) Prepare NWWAC advice for:
 - a) Decision rules and/or a Management framework for setting multi-species TACs to:
 - i. Better reflect ICES advice for the most abundant species;
 - ii. Introduce safeguards for vulnerable species.
 - b) Improvement in the recording of catches:
 - c) Resolving data deficiencies.

Members of the group:

Members to sign up via the NWWAC Secretariat.