### ICES WKMSIGD

## Workshop on Methods for Stakeholder Involvement in Fishing Gear Development





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- 6 Management
- 17 Science
- 17 Industry



#### 11 countries

The landing obligation and gear selectivity

- Gears will need to match quotas
- Fishermen will need to modify their gears more actively throughout the year
- Gear modifications on a vessel not fleet level

#### Problems with a top-down approach

- Slow and inflexible
- Gears often sensitive to small changes
- Small changes = large effect



#### Proposal for a new technical measures framework

- Create flexibility through regionalisation
- Increase stakeholder involvement
- Simplify the current rules

#### Industry-Science initiatives established

- Identify and develop effective selective gears under the new CFP/ landing obligation
- Make it possible for the industry to come up with ideas for selectivity improvements

#### Industry-Science initiatives established

- Sweden The secretariat for selective fishing
- Denmark Fast-Track
- Scotland GITTAG
- Netherlands Trawl Innovation Cutter Fisheries
- Belgium Combituig

#### Industry-Science initiatives established

- Coordinated nationally
- Different roles for different stakeholders
- Different funding structures
- Different incentives for involvement
- Different data collection methods
- Etc.

#### What are WKMSIGD's objectives?

- Outline the objectives of the different initiatives
- Understand what these initiatives can achieve
- Define the risks and problems already encountered
- Identify the roles of the different stakeholder groups
- Develop an advice and best practice document

## Identifying stakeholder roles

#### Participation

Necessary		
Not necessary/small influence	Large influence	Influence

## Identifying stakeholder roles



# Evaluating the risks/problems

#### Probability



Consequence

# Evaluating the risks/problems



# Evaluating the risks/problems



#### WKMSIGD Report

### (An advice and best practice document)

- Review initiative structures
- Stakeholder roles
- Incentive structures
- Data collection: types and methodologies
- Communication and dissemination
- Funding of initiatives
- Future work to improve methodologies
- International collaborations

## Conclusions

- Stronger leadership from the regional groups is warranted.
- Greater coordination among science-industry gear development initiatives is needed.
- More effort devoted towards having effective gear solutions implemented into legislation/ encouraging their uptake.
- Relaxed implementation and uncertainty surrounding the LO has reduced the drive by the industry to develop and test gears. If more clarity were made around the regulation the situation may be different.

## Thanks for listening

## **Questions?**

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