Work Programme Update Year 15

Executive Committee 08 July 2020



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Main areas of Work in Year 15

Landing Obligation

- Focus Group established June 2020;
- Engagement with the NWW Member States and Technical Groups;

Consultation responses

- NWWAC advice on Addressing Choke Risk in NWW after exemptions
- NWWAC response to COM request on annual report on LO implementation in 2019
- NWWAC letter to EFCA requesting release of full report on evaluation of compliance with the Landing Obligation North Western Waters 2016 – 2017
- NWWAC advice to support the NWW MSG in the preparation of the Joint Recommendation Discard Plan 2021

Main areas of Work in Year 15 (Contd)

- Management of stocks
 - Skates & Rays
- Collaboration with External Groups
 - NWW Member States High Level Group
 - NWW Member States Technical Group
 - ICES (MIACO and MIAC);
 - Joint NWWAC/EFCA/NWW CEG virtual workshop;

Year 15 – July 2020

41 Meetings of the NWWAC



Year 15 – NWWAC Meetings – July 2020

2 Executive Committee

Virtual March 2020

Virtual
July 2020

4 Sub-regional Working Groups

Virtual
July 2020

 (written consultation following cancellation of spring meeting due to COVID-19 crisis)

Year 15 – NWWAC Meetings (contd)

24 Horizontal Working Groups/Focus Groups

- □ **1 Sea bass** virtual (November 2019)
- 2 Landing Obligation/ Technical Measures Madrid (March 2020), virtual (July 2020)
- 2 Skates and Rays virtual (March 2020, April 2020)
- 2 Brown Crab Madrid (March 2020), virtual (June 2020)
- 1 Control & Compliance (Madrid 2020)
- □ **10 Marine Plastics** virtual (October 2019 June 2020)
- 2 Scallop virtual (January 2020), Madrid (March 2020)
- 2 Climate virtual (June 2020)
- 1 Seismic Activities joint with PelAC virtual (June 2020)
- □ **1 Brexit** virtual (June 2020)

Year 15 – NWWAC Meetings (Contd)

- 8 Inter-AC
 - COM Inter-AC meeting Brussels (November 2019)
 - COM Financial Seminar for the Advisory Councils virtual (June 2020)
 - 6 Inter-Secretariat coordination meetings
- 2 Workshops co-hosted by the NWWAC
 - Workshop on Plastics & the Seafood Supply Chain Brussels (November 2019)
 - Workshop on the Circular Design of Fishing Gear Brussels (January 2020)
- 1 meeting co-hosted by the NWWAC
 - ICES Irish Sea Benchmark (Wklrish 6) Dublin (November 2019)

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External Meetings with NWWAC participation



Year 15 - External Meetings — July 2020

North Western Waters Member States Group

Meetings of the High Level Group and Technical Group

ICES

MIACO & MIAC (January 2019)

Workshops – Conferences – Symposia

ICES Benchmarking Flat Fish, Ghent

ICES WKSHEAR, Copenhagen

ICES WKCELTIC, Copenhagen

ICES WKDEM, Copenhagen

ICES WKFlatNSCs, virtual

ICES WKMIXFISH, virtual

ICES ADGBYC, virtual

ICES ADGDEEP, virtual

STECF

1 STECF EWG 'Evaluation of the joint recommendations of the obligation and technical measures' Advisory Board (October 2019)

landing

Year 15 - External Meetings — Some examples

General meetings

- EC Co-ordination meetings between DG MARE and the ACs (Brussels, November 2019);
- EC Workshop on the implementation of the Port Reception Facilities Directive (Brussels, February 2020)
- EC Workshop on Circular Design Fishing Gear (Brussels, February 2020);
- AC seminar on the updated financial guidelines for Advisory Councils (virtual, June 2020)
- STECF EWG LO joint recommendation evaluation (virtual, June 2020)

Year 15

Letters, Opinions and Advice 19 submissions

All NWWAC advice and correspondence is available in the publications section of the NWWAC website:

www.nwwac.org



Letters, Opinions and Advice

Landing Obligation:

- NWWAC Advice on Addressing Choke Risk in NWW after exemptions (November 2019)
- North Western Waters Choke Species Analysis (October 2019);
- NWWAC advice to support the NWW MSG in the preparation of the Joint Recommendation Discard Plan 2021 (May 2020)

Advice on management strategies:

- NWWAC Advice on management measures for sea bass 2020 (November 2019)
- NWWAC/NSAC joint Advice on the management of Skates and Rays (April 2020)

Letters, Opinions and Advice

Responses to EC Consultations:

- AC response to COM request on Management of Pollack in the Celtic Seas and the English Channel in relation to recreational fisheries (November 2019)
- AC response to COM request on Place of Small-Scale Fisheries in the Advisory Councils (December 2019)

Advice on Fishing Opportunities:

Advice on Fishing Opportunities for 2020 (September 2019);

Year 16 (01 October 2020 – 30 September (October?) 2021)

Work Programme

The proposed work programme for Year 16 must be submitted to the Commission by <u>31 July 2020</u>



Work Programme 2020 - 2021

- Landing obligation
 - Implementation and Advice for 2021
 - Choke Identification Tool
 - Technical Measures
 - Policy process under regionalisation (e.g. NWW Member States Group);
- EC Regulations implementation
 - Compliance, Control and enforcement
 - NWW Multi-Annual Plan
 - Technical measures

Work Programme 2020 - 2021

- Improving the quality of scientific and economic data (egWKlrish6);
- ICES coordination
- Annual setting of TACs
- Future Functioning of the ACs (Brexit)
- Preparation for the review of the CFP
- Inter-AC coordination
- Working procedures
 - Finalisation and Adoption of Processes and Procedures,
 - Communications and Outreach evaluation

Work Programme 2020 - 2021

- Ecosystem & Environment
 - Ecosystem Advice;
 - Climate Change and Environment
 - EU Green Deal & Farm to Fork Initiative
 - EU Biodiversity Strategy
 - MPAs / Spatial Planning / Wind Farms & other offshore installations
 - Social
 - Labour Supply & Crew Welfare
 - Safety

NWWAC Plenary Meetings

- February/March 2020 (Madrid);
 Working Groups and Executive Committee.
- July 2020 (Ghent);

ICES Advice, Working Groups and Executive Committee.

September 2020 (Dublin).

General Assembly, Executive Committee and Working / Focus groups.

Other meetings in Year 16

6* Focus Groups or Advice Drafting Groups

- Face-to-face (one day duration);
- Web-based (meetings or pre-meetings).
 - *The number of meetings may change depending on urgency and budget availability

Other expected meetings with NWWAC participation

- Coordination meetings between DG MARE and the Advisory Councils;
 Brussels (November 2020);
- Coordination meeting between Advisory Councils; Vigo (November 2020)
- Annual Meeting between ICES and the Advisory Councils (MIAC, MIACO) (Copenhagen, January 2021).

Thank you

