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WORKING GROUP 2 – CELTIC SEA & WEST OF SCOTLAND

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9 October 2024



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Agenda

09:30 – 09:40

1. Welcome and introductions
 - Welcome from the Chair (Suso Angel Lourido Garcia)
 - Apologies
 - Adoption of the agenda
 - Action points from the minutes of the last meeting

09:40 – 10:10

2. VMEs socio-economic analysis
 - Presentation by Ralf Doring (EWG 24-09 Chair)
 - Questions and answers

10:10 – 10:50

3. Technical measures
 - Review of letter from COM on technical measures (May 2024)
 - Follow up on NWWAC webinar on cod & climate change (June 2024)
 - Input for STECF EWG 24-16

10:50 – 11:15

4. Review of draft advice on choke risk in the NWW – Celtic Sea & West of Scotland stocks

11:15 – 11:20

5. AOB

11:20 – 11:30

6. Summary of actions agreed and decisions adopted by the Chair

Action points from the last meeting

- 1 The Secretariat will keep members informed regarding the organisation of an update session on VMEs by DG MARE. This could also be organized as part of the next WG2 meeting.
- 2 Comments made following presentation of ICES advice will be taken into account in the preparation of the AC advice on Fishing Opportunities by the FG Landing Obligation. Members are invited to send any other contribution via email before the FG meeting on 24 July.
- 3 The Secretariat will circulate the report from the webinar on cod and climate change held on 12 June. Members are invited to go back to the Secretariat with any comment/suggestion on actions to follow up on that meeting.
- 4 The WG should continue to address the management of the hake northern stock as a priority topic.
- 5 Updates on the ongoing work on the Nephrops fishery in the Porcupine Bank are expected at the next WG2 meeting in March 2025.
- 6 Follow up on DG MARE's response to letter on TM Celtic Sea.



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The background of the slide is a photograph of a sunset or sunrise over the ocean. The sky is filled with dark, heavy clouds that are illuminated from below by the sun, creating a bright orange and yellow glow. The sun is partially visible as a bright, glowing orb near the horizon. The ocean is dark blue and calm, with a small, dark silhouette of a ship or offshore structure visible on the horizon line.

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