

AGENDA 20th Meeting of Working Group 2

North Atlantic Fisheries Agreements and RFMOs

Tuesday 4 April 2017, 14:00 - 17:30h Hotel Renaissance. Rue du Parnasse 19, 1050 Brussels, Belgium

- 1. Welcome by the Chair and Apologies received.
- 2. Adoption of the report of the last WG2 meeting London, 15 November 2016.
- 3. Adoption of the agenda.

4. Bilateral Fisheries Agreement:

- 4.1. Summary by the EC on state of play of negotiations and questions of interest:
 - Norway
 - Faroe
 - Iceland
 - Greenland

5. Svalbard:

- 5.1. Update from the Commission on dialogue with Norway
- 5.2. Snow Crab: Follow up of Commission's reply to LDAC advice (12/12/2016)
- 6. Update from WG4 Chair on Fisheries Partnership Agreements



7. North West Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (NAFO)

7.1. Report from the Commission on:

- Review of Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE) for Greenland Halibut.
- Review of Harvest Control Rules (HCR) for 3M Cod.
- Implementation of landing obligation (LO) in NAFO RA Delegated Act adopted and forthcoming legislative acts for by-catches in 2018-2019.
- 7.2. Work planning of the LDAC in the drafting process for its annual advice on NAFO.

7.3. Update on EU industry-led voluntary initiatives for selectivity tests in trawlers with sorting grids for 3M Cod fishery.

8. North East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC)

8.1. European Commission's update on Coastal States consultations and on the 2 NEAFC working groups on Allocation Criteria and Management Framework.

8.2. ICES presentation on scientific cooperation and Ecosystem considerations and approach for stock assessments.

8.3. EFCA presentation on activity report (SCIP/JDP) in NEAFC.

8.4. LDAC proposal on Request for Advice to ICES for improving knowledge and data on biology, catches and discards of deep-water species in NEAFC RA.

8.5. Other topics of interest (VMEs, work with OSPAR...)

9. Report on preparation of a Joint LDAC-PelAC International Conference on Implementation of External Dimension of the CFP in the North Atlantic fisheries.

- **10.** International Ocean Governance.
- 11. Date and Venue for next WG2 meeting.