

<u>AGENDA</u>

18th Meeting of Working Group 2 of the Long Distance Advisory Council

NORTH ATLANTIC AGREEMENTS AND REGIONAL FISHERIES ORGANISATIONS

Tuesday 19 April (14:30–17:30 h) and Wednesday 20 April 2016 (09:30–12:30 h) Martin´s Central Hotel, Schuman - Brussels (Belgium)

DAY 1 - TUESDAY 19 APRIL AFTERNOON (14:30-17:30 h)

- 1. Welcome by the Chair and Apologies received.
- 2. Approval of the Minutes of the last WG2 meeting Brussels, 22nd of October 2015.
- 3. Approval of the agenda.

4. North East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC).

- a. European Commission's update on Coastal States consultations.
- b. ICES Presentation on scientific cooperation for stock assessments.
- c. EFCA presentation on Activity Report (SCIP/JDP) in NEAFC, European Coast Guard Capacity and Data Monitoring and Networks.
- d. Discussion from the floor: timeline and drafting group for LDAC advice.
- 5. Commission's proposal and Council Position on Deep Sea Access Regime for Fishing: state of play of trilogue between Commission, Council and European Parliament.
- 6. Organisation of a LDAC Conference on implementation of External Dimension of CFP: joint management of Northern Atlantic stocks (late 2016/early 2017?)



DAY 2 - WEDNESDAY 20 APRIL MORNING (09:30-12:30 h)

7. North Atlantic Fisheries bilateral agreements

EU - Norway, Iceland, Faroe and Greenland.

- a) Report on state of play by the European Commission: negotiations.
- b) Svalbard: EU position.
- c) EEA negotiations.
- d) Discussion from the floor

8. North West Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (NAFO).

- a. Update by the Commission on work planning in 2016: meetings calendar and work priorities for the EU in preparation for the Annual Meeting (Sept 2016).
- b. Update on Selectivity experiments with sorting grids in 3M Cod
- c. Procedure and timeframe for production of LDAC advice:
 - ToR of drafting/editing group: appointment of WG2 members
 - Analysis of topics to be covered in the advice (stocks, HCR, MSE, VMEs...).
 - Time frame and deadlines for submission of drafts
 - Fast track procedure for adoption of advice

9. Implementation of Landing Obligation outside EU waters: NAFO and NEAFC

- a. Update on work progress by Commission / Member States
- b. Conflicts of rules: EC delegated acts
- c. Discussion on choke Species
- d. Procedure for LDAC Draft Proposal for Advice

10. Summary of actions agreed and decisions

11. Time and Place of next meeting.