

### **AGENDA**

## 21st Meeting of Working Group 2 North Atlantic Fisheries Agreements and RFMOs

# Monday 13 November 2017, 12:00 – 17:00 h Meliá White House Hotel, Albany Street, Regent's Park London NW1 3UP (close to NEAFC venue)

- 1. Welcome by the Chair and Apologies received.
- 2. Adoption of the report of the last WG2 meeting Brussels, 4 April 2017.
- 3. Adoption of the agenda.

#### 4. North East Atlantic Fisheries Commission (NEAFC)

- 4.1. European Commission's update on Coastal States consultations and on the 2 NEAFC working groups on Allocation Criteria and Management Framework.
- 4.2. LDAC proposal for the EU on Request for Advice to ICES for improving knowledge and data on biology, catches and discards of deep-water species in NEAFC RA.
- 4.3. Other topics of interest (Implementation of LO, VMEs, work with OSPAR...).

#### 5. Bilateral Fisheries Agreements between EU and Northern European countries.

Summary on state of play of negotiations and questions of interest regarding

- Norway
- Faroe
- Iceland

#### 6. Svalbard:

- 6.1. Update from the Commission on dialogue with Norway
- 6.2. Update by EU Snow Crab fishing industry



#### **COFFEE BREAK**

- 7. North West Atlantic Fisheries Organisation (NAFO)
  - 7.1. Outcomes of the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of NAFO (17-22 Sept. Montreal, Canada).
  - 7.2. Next steps: collaborative work between LDAC and DG MARE for 2018:
    - Development of a protocol for exceptional circumstances for GHL MSE
    - Participation at benchmark Process on Cod 3M HCR
    - Industry initiatives to improve selectivity of Cod trawlers in NAFO RA
    - Stakeholders' input for 2<sup>nd</sup> Performance Review of NAFO
  - 7.3. Report from the Commission on:
    - Implementation of landing obligation (LO) in NAFO RA Delegated Act adopted and forthcoming legislative acts for by-catches in 2018-2019.
    - Process of designation of scientists for Scientific Council
- 8. Report on preparation of a Joint LDAC-PelAC International Conference on Implementation of CFP External Dimension in the North Atlantic fisheries.
- 9. Update on FARFISH H2020 Project.
- 10. Date and Venue for next WG2 meeting.