

Draft Agenda for Executive Committee, Thursday 4th July 2013

Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Fisheries

Slotsholmsgade 12, 1216 Copenhagen K meeting room F (beyond the canteen)

starts 10 am, end at the latest 17 hrs (lunch somewhere in the middle)

Draft agenda

- 1. Welcome by the BSRAC chair Reine J. Johansson
- 2. Formalities for the start of the meeting:
 - a) Apologies and adoption of the agenda
 - b)Adoption of the minutes from the last meeting (7th May 2013)
 - c) Volunteers to check the minutes (from our rota)
- 3. From the Joint Working Group (6th May) discussion and adoption of the BSRAC advice and recommendations for the fishing opportunities for 2013
- 4. HELCOM
 - a)Invitation to the BSRAC on engaging in an MSP/Ecosystem event in the autumn
 - b) Support for the Baltfimpa project
- 5. Reports from various meetings
 - a) The DG Mare seabirds meeting 16th May 2013: report by Michael Andersen
 - b) The BENTHIS meeting: report by Kim Kær Hansen and Michael Andersen
 - c) **The Baltfish meeting 13th June 2013:** report by Reine Johansson and Michael Andersen
 - d) **GAP2 project:** GAP2 Project's related Estonian experiences in introducing the fisheries into the process of maritime spatial planning (Robert Aps).



6. Coming meetings

- a) EU-Russia 6th session of the JBSFC 8th -9th July 2013
- b) Contact with MEP Ole Christensen about possible and get-together at the end of October in Hirtshals (Study tour by MEPs)
- 7. Information from BSRAC member Staffan Larsson (STPO): "Demonstration project to develop the Baltic cod fisheries towards a length optimized fishery. (The first part of the project will look at why the Baltic cod is skinny and how the cod population is likely to react to a changed selectivity. The second phase of the project will develop a strategy on how the cod stock should be harvested to increase average cod size and STPO will introduce the first steps of this strategy).

8. From the Secretariat

- a)Update on expenditure
- b) Update on the Flagship Project on reducing accidents in fisheries (For info/discussion)
- 9. Date and venue of the next ExCom meeting