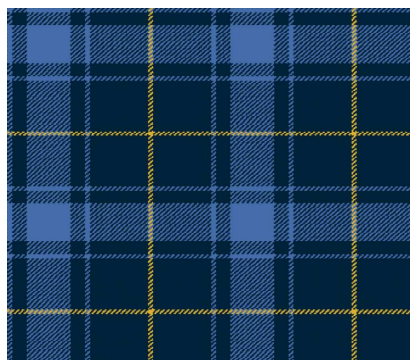


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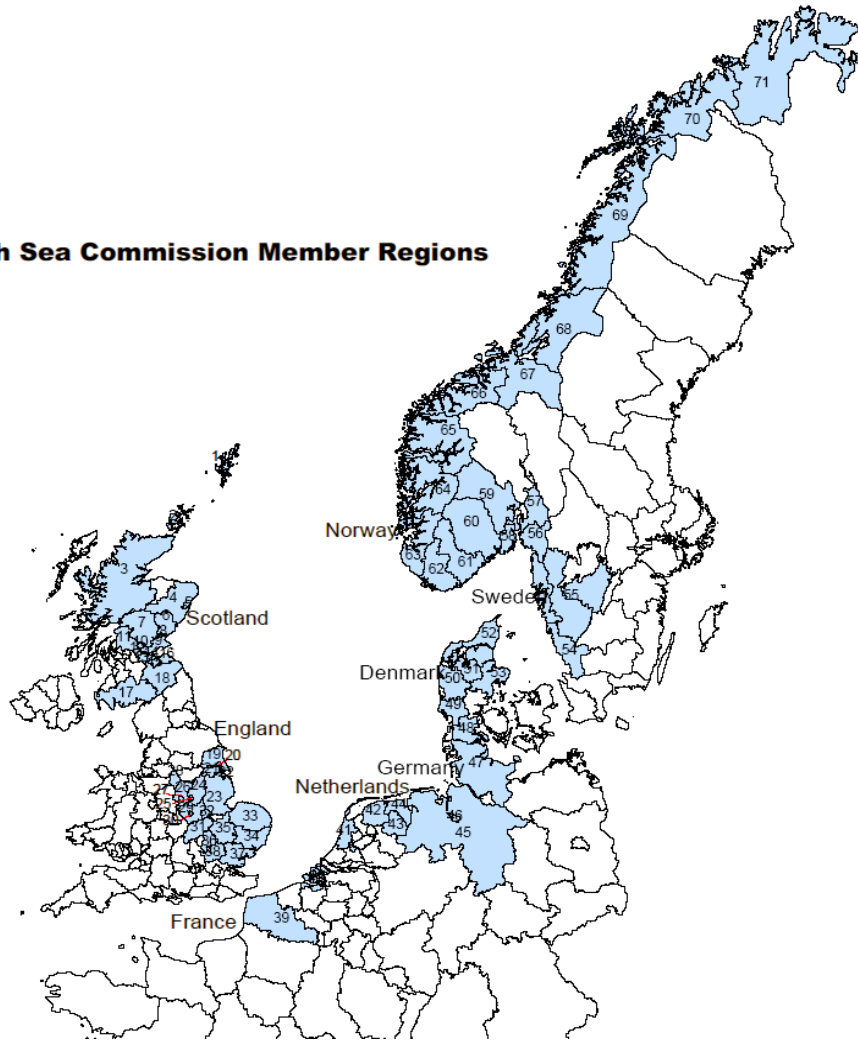
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North Sea Commission Member Regions



8 Countries;

Sweden, Denmark, Germany,
The Netherlands, France,
England, Scotland, Norway

Representing 57
Member Regions



What is The North Sea Commission?

The North Sea Commission was founded in 1989 to facilitate and enhance partnerships between regions which manage the challenges and opportunities presented by the North Sea.

Furthermore, to promote the North Sea Basin as a major economic entity within Europe, by encouraging joint development initiatives and political lobbying at European Union level.



North Sea Stakeholder Conference

- The conference provides an important opportunity for dialogue between all users of the sea
- and aims to develop mechanisms for continued engagement between all users of the North Sea.



“Working together to manage the marine resources of the NSR”

- To ensure harmonisation of all users of the North Sea it was important to create the opportunity for dialogue by
- organising a conference where representatives of all users,
- EU Institutions, Norway, Member States, Local and Regional Authorities,
- oil & gas, energy, fisheries, shipping, aquaculture and the environment
- came together to find the most appropriate method of
- Managing the Marine Resources of the North Sea.

- **What we can do, following this conference, is to:**
- **consider further the idea of developing a stakeholder forum for the North Sea**
- **where representatives of the different sectors can reach agreement with one another and**

- **where they will also be able to draw the attention of member states to emerging cross-boundary problems**
- **a forum could address concerns, especially over the expansion of economic and commercial activities in the North Sea.**



Conference Conclusions

- a forum to address one another's concerns, especially over the expansion of economic and commercial activities in the North Sea.
- also look at the impacts upon all sectors of implementation of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive

Conference conclusions

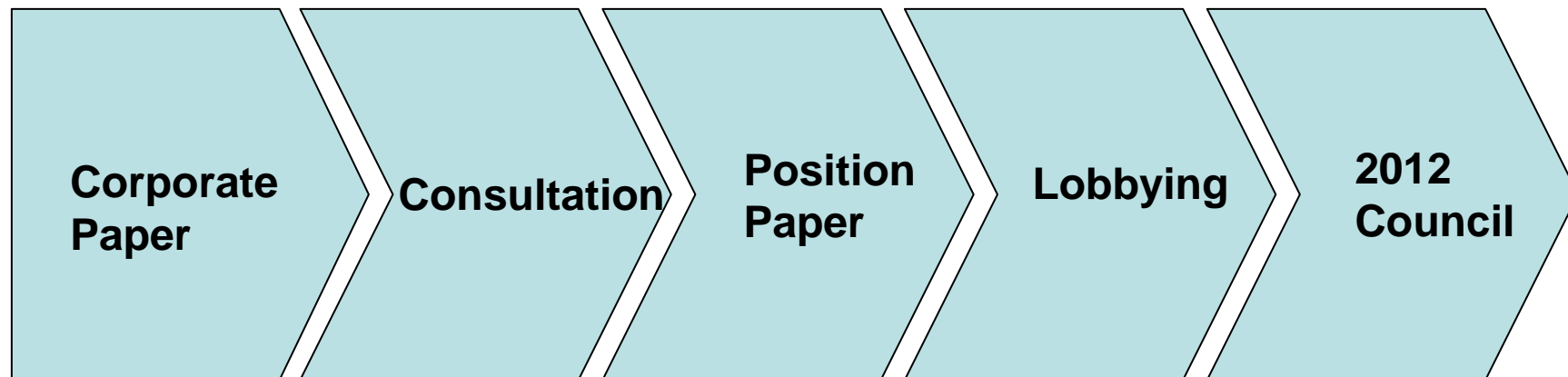
- **bringing forward of proposals for marine protected areas and**
- **perhaps also the compilation of data sets**
- **a stakeholder forum for the North Sea is desirable – the NSC was identified as having the experience and neutrality to co-ordinate**
Such a forum

In conclusion

The North Sea Stakeholder Conference highlighted the need for all stakeholders operating in, on and around the North Sea to “Work Together” if we are to achieve sustainable, well managed, valuable resources and ensure the long term security and economic development of our sectors and coastal communities

Thank you!!

– Key stage of an ongoing process:





Corporate Paper

- Managing Maritime Space**
- Increase Accessibility and Attractiveness**
- Tackling Climate Change**
- Promoting Innovation and Excellence**
- Sustainable Liveable Communities**



Next Steps

- Analysis of consultation with Members
- Linkages to CoR Initiative
- Development of position paper
- Further stakeholder conferences
- Lobbying
- Danish Presidency 2012



Key Questions

- Broad or narrow?
- Priority activities?
- Member States on board?
- Maritime or regional?
- Link to funding programmes?



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The North Sea Commission aim to prepare for a **North Sea Region 2020** paper together with other Stakeholder in the North Sea Region.

PowerPoint presentation of the NSC and the North Sea Region 2020 (NSS);

 [Info about NSC and NSS of 191109](#) (4.64 MB)

You will find relevant working papers below.

Background papers:

- Newcastle conference 17 and 18 March 2010. [External link to presentations.](#)
- Minutes from meeting in Brussels 12 January 2010.
 [Minutes Brussels meeting 120110](#) (238.77 kB)
- What's happening?
 [North Sea Strategy info February 2010](#) (66.29 kB)
- ESPON application for a North Sea Strategy project of 11 November 2009.
 [ESPON Application NSS final](#) (244.03 kB)
- North Sea Strategy briefing document of 9 November 2009..
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- Agenda and the Minutes from the Strategic Committee meeting 5 November 2009.
-  [Agenda Strat.Com. meeting in Brussels 5 nov](#) (45.5 kB)
 [Minutes Brussels meeting 051109](#) (436.74 kB)

North Sea Region 2020

The timetable for North Sea Region 2020 activities in 2010 are as follows;

- 17 - 18 March;
Stakeholder Conference in Newcastle supported by UK Government and NSC. [External link to presentations.](#)
- 13 April; "Europe's macro-region: Integration through territorial co-operation". Hosted by the CoR in Brussels.
- 20 May; "Working together to Manage the Resources of the North Sea and Channel, Workshop in Oviedo during Maritime Day.
- 16 - 17 June; Joint NSC and Interreg conference in Stavanger "The North Sea Region 2020". [Draft](#)