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**SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Sub-Committee on Marine Environment and Ecosystems (SCMEE)  
Sub-Committee on Stock Assessment (SCSA)  
Economic and Social Sciences (CESS)

**Transversal workshop on selectivity improvement, by-catch reduction  
and alternative gears**

Alexandria, Egypt, 25-27 October 2010

**Draft annotated Agenda**

**Monday 25 October 2010**

*Morning session 9:30 – 12:30*

- 1. Opening, arrangement of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Determine the current status of studies on the effect of the trawl 40 mm square mesh and 50 mm diamond mesh in reducing by-catches and discard and increasing the selectivity of the trawl related to the Mediterranean fisheries.**

*A report on this issue should be presented by the participants on status of knowledge at national and regional level.*

*Participants are requested to present their recent works on the implementation of 40 mm square mesh or 50 mm diamond mesh in Mediterranean trawl fisheries.*

- ❖ **(1) Jacques Sacchi** Review of recent studies carried out in Mediterranean sea
- ❖ **(2) Alessandro Luchetti** An update of the review on selectivity studies in Italy on the effect of different codend mesh configuration and mesh opening will be provided in order to open a discussion.

- ❖ (3) **Alessandro Luchetti** *Preliminary results of recent samplings at sea carried out for the monitoring of performance and impact of towed gears*

**Afternoon session, 14:30 – 17:30**

- ❖ (4) **Marouene Bdioui** and **M'Rabet Ridha** *Selectivity improvement in the gulf of Gabes (southern Tunisian water)*
- ❖ (5) **Mehmet Cengiz DEVAL**, **Gökçe ÖZGEN**, **İsmet SAYGU**, **Zafer TOSUNOĞLU** *Selectivity of 44 mm diamond and 44 mm square mesh PE codends in the deepwater trawl fishery in the Antalya Bay, eastern Mediterranean*
- ❖ (6) **Jacques Sacchi**, **Juan Antonio Caminas**, **Jorge Baro**. *The Copemed II project on the implementation of 40 mm square mesh codend in Mediterranean sea.*
- ❖ (7) **Mohamed Bouaicha** *Suivi des rejets chalutière dans la baie de Bou-Ismaïl*
- ❖ (8) **Mourad Houcine Benyacine** *diagnostic of the situation ( technical characteristic of Moroccan trawl*

**Tuesday 26 October 2010**

*Morning session, 9:00 – 12:00*

**3. Socio-economic impact of the new measures on trawl on fisheries.**

*Participants are requested to present documents or relevant information related to revenue evolution, cost adaptation and social effects and particularly change in landing value in a short term.*

**4. Methods for reducing the bycatch and the impact of trawl fisheries on the seabed:**

*The meeting will review different experiences aimed at reducing or avoiding bycatch, especially on protected/threatened species, and the sea bed on the basis of the information submitted to the meeting and related to the following items.*

- Studies on the use of grid systems, separating panels for discards reduction in the Mediterranean trawl fisheries.

- ❖ (9) **Süleyman Özdemir** *Species Selectivity on Demersal Trawl in the Black Sea: Square Mesh Panel Position and Swimming Behavior of Fishes*
  - Studies on trawl modifications to reduce physical damages on the seabed and on endangered species.
- ❖ (10) **Süleyman Özdemir** *Prevent of Incidental Catch and Endangered Species Captured by the Trawls in the Black Sea: Sturgeons (Acipenseridae)*
  - Studies on alternative gears (e.g. traps, creel, pots, etc.) that can be used instead of the trawl and static net for sensitive areas.
- ❖ (11) **Mohamed Hosny Gabr and Alaa Eldin El-Haweet** *Pelagic longline fishery for Albacore *Thunnus alalunga* in the Eastern Mediterranean Sea, Egypt*
- ❖ (12) **Süleyman Özdemir** *A Preliminary Investigation on Feasible in Black Sea of Baited Shrimp Traps.*
- ❖ (13) **Fabio Grati, Gianna Fabi, Giuseppe Scarcella, Paolo Sartor, Mario Sbrana** *Efficiency and catch yields of traps, fyke nets and trammel net for cuttlefish.*

*Afternoon session, 14:00 – 17:00*

#### 5. . Follow up of Technomed network tasks

- Review of the characteristics of the gears used in the trawl fishery in the Mediterranean, with special attention to difference in gears by GSA and target assemblage or depth stratum
 

*The participants will be requested to complete the information collected since Atselmed 2-GFCM workshop in the aim to provide a comprehensive document on the trawl fishery activity.*
- ❖ (14) **Jacques Sacchi** *MEDTRAWL database on main Mediterranean bottom trawl characteristics.*
  - Advance on review on technical measures in Mediterranean fisheries legislation
 

*The participants will be requested to complete the information collected since Atselmed2- GFCM workshop on this item.*
- ❖ (15) **Alessandro Luchetti** *An update of the review on technical parameters and gear legislation will be provided in order to open a discussion and try to fill in a complete table*

**6. Others matters**

**Wednesday 27 October 2010**

*9:00 – 12:30 - 14:00 – 17:00*

**7. Conclusions and recommendations**

**8. Adoption of the report**