

30<sup>TH</sup> MEETING

# NAMMCO Scientific Committee

*22–26 January 2024, Iceland*

## DRAFT AGENDA

- 1. Welcome from the Chair & Opening Remarks**
- 2. Adoption of Agenda**
- 3. Appointment of Rapporteurs**
- 4. Review of Available Documents and Reports**
  - 4.1. National and annual progress reports
    - 4.1.1. Updates from observers
  - 4.2. Working group reports
  - 4.3. Other reports and documents
- 5. Updates from Council**
  - 5.1. General comments
  - 5.2. Endorsed SC work plan
  - 5.3. Update on NAMMCO processes
    - 5.3.1. Working Group on Enhancing User Involvement in NAMMCO Decision Making
- 6. Interactions with other organisations**
  - 6.1. ASCOBANS
  - 6.2. ICES
  - 6.3. OSPAR
  - 6.4. Ostrobothnian Fisheries Association
  - 6.5. Arctic Council
- 7. Collaborative projects**
  - 7.1. MINTAG Project
  - 7.2. Dissemination: GUARDNA Project
  - 7.3. Cooperation with Japan
    - 7.3.1. Northeast Atlantic–Northwest Pacific Ecosystems
    - 7.3.2. Further collaboration
  - 7.4. Other collaborations
- 8. Environmental/Ecosystem Issues**
  - 8.1. Marine Mammal / Fisheries Interactions
    - 8.1.1. Review and status of active requests (R-1.1.5, R-1.1.9, R-1.1.10)
    - 8.1.2. By-Catch Working Group
      - 8.1.2.1. BYCWG Data call for risk assessment

- 8.2. Multi-species approaches to management and modelling
  - 8.2.1. Review and status of active requests (R-1.2.1, R-1.2.2)
  - 8.2.2. Discussion of workshop on model portfolio
- 8.3. Environmental issues
  - 8.3.1. Review and status of active requests (R-1.5.3)
  - 8.3.2. Updates

## **9. Seals & Walrus Stocks – Status and Advice to the Council**

- 9.1. Bearded seal
  - 9.1.1. Review and status of active requests (R-2.7.1)
  - 9.1.2. NAMMCO Panarctic Bearded Seal Workshop
  - 9.1.3. Updates
- 9.2. Ringed seal
  - 9.2.1. Review and status of active requests (R-2.3.3)
  - 9.2.2. Ringed Seal Working Group
  - 9.2.3. Updates
- 9.3. Harbour and Grey seals
  - 9.3.1. Review and status of active requests (R-2.4.2, R-2.5.2)
  - 9.3.2. Coastal Seals Working Group
  - 9.3.3. Updates
- 9.4. Harp and Hooded seals
  - 9.4.1. Review and status of active requests (R-2.1.2, R-2.1.9, R-2.1.10)
  - 9.4.2. Benchmark Workshop for Harp & Hooded Seals
  - 9.4.3. Joint Working Group on Harp and Hooded Seals
  - 9.4.4. Updates
- 9.5. Walrus
  - 9.5.1. Updates
  - 9.5.2. Plans for Walrus Working Group meeting

## **10. Cetacean Stocks – Status and Advice to the Council**

- 10.1. Narwhal
  - 10.1.1. Review and status of active requests (R-3.4.11)
  - 10.1.2. *Ad hoc* Working Group on Narwhal in East Greenland
  - 10.1.3. Updates
- 10.2. Beluga
  - 10.2.1. Review and status of active requests (R-3.4.11)
  - 10.2.2. *Ad hoc* Working Group on Narwhal in East Greenland
  - 10.2.3. Updates
  - 10.2.4. Plans for NAMMCO-JCNB Joint Working Group

- 10.3. Harbour porpoise
  - 10.3.1. Review and status of active requests (R-3.10.1)
  - 10.3.2. Updates
  
- 10.4. Dolphins
  - 10.4.1. Review and status of active requests (R-3.9.6)
  - 10.4.2. Working Group on Dolphins
  - 10.4.3. Updates
  
- 10.5. Pilot whale
  - 10.5.1. Review and status of active requests (R-3.8.6)
  - 10.5.2. Updates
  - 10.5.3. Data availability for next Working Group meeting
  
- 10.6. Northern bottlenose whale
  - 10.6.1. Review and status of active requests (R-1.7.11)
  - 10.6.2. Updates
  
- 10.7. Beaked whales — Updates
- 10.8. Blue whale — Updates
- 10.9. Bowhead whale — Updates
- 10.10. Common minke whale — Updates
- 10.11. Fin whale — Updates
- 10.12. Humpback whale — Updates
- 10.13. Killer whale — Updates
- 10.14. Sei whale — Updates
- 10.15. Sperm whale — Updates

## **11. Management Procedures**

- 11.1. Review and status of active requests (R-1.6.5, R-1.6.8)
- 11.2. Abundance / Assessment / Conservation status tables
  - 11.2.1. Traffic Light System for categorising stocks
- 11.3. Long-term Assessment plan

## **12. NASS 2024 Planning**

- 12.1. Survey effort overview
- 12.2. Protocols, software, and equipment overview
- 12.3. Allocation of Norway's voluntary contribution

## **13. Work procedures**

- 13.1. Working Group on Genetics — Proposed Terms of Reference
- 13.2. Scientific Committee and Working Group meetings
- 13.3. Meeting etiquette

## **14. NAMMCO Website**

- 14.1. Website Updates & Species Pages (R-1.8.3)



**15. NAMMCO Scientific Publications Update**

- 15.1. Volume 13
- 15.2. Volume 14

**16. Future Workplans**

**17. Budget 2023–2024**

**18. Any Other Business**

**19. Review of Report**

**20. Meeting Close**