

**2014/2/SSGIEOM19 The Workshop on the ICES Egg and Larval Database (WKIELD)**, chaired by Cindy van Damme, the Netherlands, and Carlos Pinto, Denmark, will meet in Copenhagen, Denmark, 27–29 April 2015 to:

- a) Review and finalize the input and output format of the ICES egg and larval database;
- b) Instruct ichthyoplankton survey participants in the format of the database and prepare their datasets for uploading to the ICES egg and larval database;
- c) Prepare a list of output products and reports needed from the ICES egg and larval database.

WKIELD will report by 22 May 2015 (via SSGIEOM) for the attention of SCICOM, ACOM, WGALES, WGMEGS, WGEGBS2, WGIPS, IBTSWG and WGACEGG.

## Supporting Information

Priority	<p>The ICES egg and larval database will ensure and standardize ichthyoplankton survey data. Through the standardization and review process before uploading the data to the database the quality of the ichthyoplankton data for the assessment groups is ensured.</p> <p>Scientists involved or in charge of various ichthyoplankton surveys are willing to store the datasets of their survey into the ICES egg and larval database. This workshop will allow scientists to reformat and upload their data into the ICES database.</p> <p>The workshop will result in an agreed standard format for reports and products from the ICES egg and larval database for use in assessments and other scientific needs.</p>
Scientific justification	<p>Term of Reference a)</p> <p>Several ICES coordinated and non-ICES coordinated ichthyoplankton surveys are carried out in the Northeast Atlantic. The ICES egg and larval database should give the possibility of all ichthyoplankton survey dataset carried out in the ICES areas to be uploaded to the ICES egg and larval database.</p> <p>Term of Reference b)</p> <p>Scientists involved or in charge of various ichthyoplankton surveys are willing to store the datasets of their survey into the ICES egg and larval database. Not all of these scientists are familiar with the format of the database. This workshop will allow scientists to bring their datasets and reformat these to be able to upload the data into the ICES database.</p> <p>Term of Reference c)</p> <p>The workshop will prepare an overview of output products needed for assessments and/or scientific advice from the ichthyoplankton surveys datasets.</p>
Resource requirements	<p>The research programmes which provide the main input to this group are already underway, and resources are already committed. The additional resource required to undertake additional activities in the framework of this group is negligible.</p>
Participants	<p>10–20 scientists have indicated interest to participate in this workshop. The workshop will be attended by members of ICES groups, WGMEGS, WGEGBS2, WGIPS, IBTSWG, WGACEGG and guests carrying out ichthyoplankton surveys in the (non-)ICES areas.</p>
Secretariat facilities	<p>Meeting room facilities at the ICES secretariat and support with finalizing of the report.</p>
Financial	<p>No financial implications.</p>

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Linkages to advisory committees	There are linkages with the advisory committees through the individual ichthyoplankton surveys groups. Through the review and standardization of the ichthyoplankton surveys data the quality of the data for the assessments is ensured. Assessment groups using ichthyoplankton survey data have indicated they want to use the data from the ICES egg and larval database directly for use in their assessments.
Linkages to other committees or groups	SCICOM and there is a very close working relationship with the all the groups of ichthyoplankton surveys, WGMEGS, WGEGBS2, WGIPS, IBTSWG, WGACEGG and their assessment groups, WGWIDE, HAWG, WGHANSA.
Linkages to other organizations	No formal linkages.

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