

2020

List of ICES groups that were dissolved,  
established, changed steering group, were renamed,  
or changed chairs

***Change of Chairs (ACOM, SCICOM, Steering Groups (SG)/Operational Groups (OG)/  
Strategic Initiatives (SI))***

AFFILIATION	GROUP NAME	CHAIR – OUTGOING	CHAIR – INCOMING
SCICOM	ICES Science Committee (SCICOM)	Simon Jennings, UK	Jörn Schmidt, Germany
OG	Data and Information Group (DIG)	Jens Rasmussen, UK	Sjur Ringheim Lid, Norway
SG	Data Science and Technology Steering Group (DSTSG) – <i>established from 1 January 2021</i>	–	Jens Rasmussen, UK
SG	Ecosystem Processes and Dynamics SG (EPDSG)	Silvana Birchenough, UK	Steven Degraer, Belgium
SG	Integrated Ecosystem Assessments SG (IEASG)	Mette Skern- Mauritzen, Norway	Debbi Pedreschi, Ireland
SG	Ecosystem Observation Steering Group (EOSG)	Sven Kupschus, UK	Joël Vigneau, France
SI	ICES-PICES Strategic Initiative on Climate Change Impacts on Marine Ecosystems (SICCME)	Jacquelynn R. King, Canada, PICES)	Kirsten Holsman (USA, PICES)
SI	Strategic Initiative on the Human Dimension (SIHD)	Johanna Ferretti, Germany	TBA

***Established Expert Groups***

AFFILIATION (SG)	GROUP NAME	CHAIR – OUTGOING	CHAIR – INCOMING
EPDSG	ICES/PICES Working Group on Ocean Negative Carbon Emissions (WGONCE)		Louis Legendre, France (ICES), Carol Robinson, UK (ICES) and Nianzhi Jiao, China (PICES), Doug- las Wallace, Canada (PICES)
EOSG	Working Group on Size and Species Selection Experiments (WGSSE)		Haraldur Arnar Einarsson, Iceland/FAO, – Michael Pol, USA
DSTSG	Working Group on Spatial Fisheries Data Governance (WGSFDGOV)		Christian von Dorrien*, Germany
DSTSG	Working Group on the Governance of Quality Management of Data and Advice (WGQuality)		David Currie, Ireland

### *Expert Groups that changed Steering Group*

AFFILIATION (SG)	EXPERT GROUPS	OLD AFFILIATION (SG)	NEW AFFILIATION (SG)
	Working Group on DATRAS Governance (WGDG)	EOSG	DSTSG
	Working Group on Technology Integration for Fishery-Dependent Data (WGTIFD)	EOSG	DSTSG
	Working Group on Fisheries Acoustics, Science and Technology (WGFAST)	EOSG	DSTSG
	Working Group on Spatial Fisheries Data Governance (WGSFDGOV)	HAPISG	DSTSG
	Working Group on Governance of the Regional Database & Estimation System (WGRDBESGOV)	EOSG	DSTSG
	Working Group on Atlantic Fish Larvae and Eggs Surveys (WGALES)	EOSG	DSTSG
	Working Group on Recreational Fisheries Surveys (WGRFS)	EOSG	DSTSG
	Working Group on Acoustic Data Governance (WGAousticGov)	EOSG	DSTSG
	Working group on machine learning in marine science (WGMLEARN)	EOSG	DSTSG
	Working Group on SmartDots Governance (WGSMART)	EOSG	DSTSG
	Working Group on Biological Parameters (WGBIOP)	EOSG	DSTSG
	Working Group on Commercial Catches (WGCATCH)	EOSG	DSTSG
	Workshop on Acoustic Backscatter Models (WKABM)	EOSG	DSTSG

### *Renamed Expert Groups*

AFFILIATION (SG)	EXPERT GROUPS	CHAIR – OUTGOING	CHAIR – INCOMING
ASG	Working Group on Environmental Interactions of Aquaculture (WGEIA) will be renamed Working Group on Risks, Environmental Interactions of Aquaculture (WGREIA)	Terje Svåsand, Norway	Ellen Sofie Grefsrud, Norway
EOSG	Working Group on Acoustic and Egg Surveys for Sardine and Anchovy in ICES Areas 7, 8 and 9 (WGACEGG) will be renamed Working Group on Acoustic and Egg Surveys for small pelagic fish in NE Atlantic (WGACEGG)		Jeroen van der Kooij, United Kingdom and Maria Manuel Angélico
DSTSG	Steering Committee for the Regional Database and Estimation System (SCRDB) will be renamed Working Group on Governance of the Regional Database & Estimation System (WGRDBESGOV)		David Currie, Ireland and Katja Ringdahl, Sweden

### Change of Expert Group chairs

AFFILIATION (SG)	EXPERT GROUPS	CHAIR – OUTGOING	CHAIR – INCOMING
ASG	Working Group on Application of Genetics in Fisheries and Aquaculture (WGAGFA)	Jann Thorsten Martinsohn, Germany	Naiara Rodriguez-Ezpeleta, Spain
IEASG	ICES/PICES/PAME Working Group on Integrated Ecosystem Assessment (IEA) for the Central Arctic Ocean (WGICA)	-	Martine van den Heuvel-Greve, Netherlands
DSTSG	Working Group on SmartDots Governance (WGSMART)	Karen Bekaert, Belgium	Jane Aanestad Godiksen, Norway (Return)
DSTSG	Working Group on Commercial Catches (WGCATCH)	Kirsten Birch Håkansson, Denmark	Estanis Mugerza, Spain
EOSG	Working Group on Mackerel and Horse Mackerel Egg Surveys (WGMEGS)	Matthias Kloppmann, Germany	Brendan O’Hea, Ireland
EPDSG	Working Group on Operational Oceanographic products for Fisheries and Environment (WGOOFE)	Rodney Forster, UK, and Dominique Obaton, France	Francisco Campuzano, Portugal, and Tomasz Dabrowski, Ireland
EPDSG	ICES - IOC Working Group on Harmful Algal Bloom Dynamics (WGHABD)	Eileen Bresnan, UK	Dave Clarke, Ireland
EPDSG	Benthos Ecology Working Group (BEWG)	Silvana Birchenough, UK	Johan Craeymeersch, the Netherlands, and Paolo Magni, Italy
EPDSG	Working Group on Oceanic Hydrography (WGOH)	Paula Fratantoni, USA, and César González-Pola, Spain	Caroline Cusack, Ireland, and Tycjan Wodzinowski, Poland
FRSG	Herring Assessment Working Group for the Area South of 62°N (HAWG)	Valerio Bartolino, Sweden Afra Egan, Ireland	Cecilie Kvamme, Norway will replace Valerio Bartolino
FRSG	North-Western Working Group	Kristján Kristinsson, Iceland	tbc
FRSG	Working Group on Southern Horse Mackerel, Anchovy, and Sardine	Alexandra (Xana) Silva, Portugal	tbc
FRSG	Working Group on North Atlantic Salmon	Martha Robertson, Canada	Dennis Ensing, UK
HAPISG	Working Group on the History of Fish and Fisheries (WGHIST)	Ruth Thurstan, UK; and Emily Klein, USA	Bryony Caswell, UK; and co-chair (tbc)
HAPISG	Working Group on Marine Habitat Mapping (WGMHM)	James Strong, UK	Julian Burgos, Iceland
HAPISG	Working Group on Multispecies Assessment Methods (WGSAM)	Alexander Kempf, Germany	Valerio Bartolino, Sweden
HAPISG	Working Group on Bycatch of Protected Species (WGBYC)	Sara Königson, Sweden, and Kelly Macleod, UK	Allen Kingston, UK, and Guðjón Már Sigurðsson, Iceland

*Expert Groups to be dissolved by the end of 2020*

AFFILIATION (SG)	EXPERT GROUPS	CHAIR – OUTGOING	CHAIR – INCOMING
ASG	Stakeholder Workshop on the Value of Genetic and Genomic Tools for identifying species in mixed landings, fish products and by-products (WKGenoTools)	Claudia Junge, Norway - Jann Thorsten Martinsohn, Italy	
ASG	Workshop on the manual for genetic sampling from fisheries products in the NAFO Area (WKGenMan)	Naiara Rodriguez- Ezpeleta - Jann Thorsten Martinsohn	
EOSG	Planning Group on Data Needs for Assessment and Advice (PGDATA)	Joël Vigneau, France	
EOSG	Workshop on unavoidable survey effort reduction (WKUSER)-Postponed from 2017	Stan Kotwicki, US, Sven Kupschus, UK and Wayne Palsson, USA	
EOSG	The Workshop on Scale, Otolith Biochronology Archives (WKBioArc)	Deirdre Brophy, Ireland, and Martha Robertson, Canada	
EOSG	Workshop on Innovative Fishing Gear (WKING)	Antonello Sala ,Italy and Manu Sistiaga, Norway	
EOSG	The Second Workshop on Populating the RDBES data model (WKRDB-POP2)	David Currie, Ireland and Edvin Fuglebakk, Norway	
EOSG	The Second Workshop on Estimation with the RDBES data model (WKRDB-EST2)	Nuno Prista, Sweden and Kirsten Birch Håkansson, Denmark	
EPDSG	Workshop on Scallop Aging (WKSA)	David Palmer, UK, and Karen Vanstaen, UK	
FRSG	Benchmark Workshop for Demersal species (WKDEM)	Richard Nash, UK and Daniel Howell, Norway	
FRSG	Benchmark Workshop for Flatfish stocks in the North Sea and Celtic Sea (WKFlatNSCS)	Meaghan Bryan, USA and Timothy Earl, UK	
FRSG	Benchmark Workshop on Greater Silver Smelt (WKGSS)	Pamela Woods, Iceland	
FRSG	Benchmark Workshop on herring ( <i>Clupea harengus</i> ) in the Gulf of Bothnia (WKCluB)	Noel Holmgren, Sweden	
FRSG	ICES-JRC Workshop on Model Ensembles for Stock Assessment and Advice (WKENSEMBLE)	Liz Brooks, USA, Cóilín Minto, Ireland, and Ernesto Jardim, IT	
FRSG	Inter-Benchmark Process on Baltic Sprat ( <i>Sprattus sprattus</i> ) and Herring ( <i>Clupea harengus</i> ) (IBPBASH)	Bjarte Bogstad, Norway	
FRSG	Workshop of Fisheries Management Reference Points in a Changing Environment (WKRChange)	Anna Rindorf, Denmark, Jeremy Collie, USA, and Daniel Howell, Norway	
FRSG	Scoping workshop on next generation of mixed fisheries advice (WKMIXFISH)	Paul Dolder, UK	

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FRSG	Second Workshop on Data-Limited Stocks of Short-Lived Species (WKDLSSLS 2)	Andrés Uriarte, Spain, and Mollie Elizabeth Brooks, Denmark	
FRSG	Workshop on EU regulatory area options for VME protection (WKEUVME),	Ellen Kenchington, Canada, and Peter Hopkins, Belgium	
FRSG	Workshop on guidelines and methods for the evaluation of rebuilding plans (WKREBUILD)	Vanessa Trijoulet, Denmark, and Martin Pastoors, Netherlands	
FRSG	Third Workshop on guidelines for management strategy evaluations (WKG MSE3)	José De Oliveira, United Kingdom,	
FRSG	Workshop on Management Strategy Evaluation of Mackerel (WKMSEMAC)	Andrew Campbell, Ireland	
FRSG	Workshop on Standards and Guidelines for fisheries dependent data (WKDSG)	Edvin Fuglebakk, Norway, and Steven Mackinson, UK	
FRSG	Workshop on Stock Identification of North Sea Cod (WKNSCodID)	Steve Cadrin, US	
FRSG	Workshop on the Ecosystem Based Management of the Baltic Sea (WKBALTIC)	Rudi Voss, Germany and David Reid, Ireland	
FRSG	Workshop on the North Sea reopening protocol (WKNSROP)	Alexander Kempf, Germany, and José De Oliveira, United Kingdom	
FRSG	Workshop on the OSPAR and NEAFC joint advice request to generate species distribution maps for listed deep sea shark species and provide scientific support for ICES advice on bycatch management options (WKSHARK6)	Maurice Clarke, Ireland	
FRSG	Workshop on the Review and Future of State Space Stock Assessment Models in ICES (WKRFSAM)	Noel Cadigan, Canada	
FRSG	Workshop on the temporal migration patterns of European eel (WKEELMIGRATION),	Alan Walker, United Kingdom	
FRSG	Workshop on Training for the Transparent Assessment Framework: Bay of Biscay and the Iberian Coast (WKTAF-BI)	Arni Magnusson, ICES, and Colin Millar, ICES	
FRSG	Workshop on Training for the Transparent Assessment Framework: Baltic Sea and Norway (WKTAF-BN)	Arni Magnusson, ICES, and Colin Millar, ICES	
FRSG	Workshop to review and progress the reported lists of MSFD Descriptor 3 (WKD3lists)	Maurice Clarke, Ireland	
FRSG	Workshop to review and update OSPAR status assessments for stocks of listed shark, skates and rays in support of OSPAR (WKSTATUS)	Paddy Walker, The Netherlands	

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FRSG	Workshop on Atlantic chub mackerel (WKKOLIAS)	Alexandra Silva (Portugal) and Teresa G. Santamaría (Spain),	
HAPISG	Working Group on Methods for Estimating Discard Survival (WGMEDS)	Thomas Catchpole, UK, and Sebastian Uhlmann, Belgium	
HAPISG	Workshop on Global Ocean Social Sciences (WKGLOSS)	Olivier Thebaud, France, Jörn Schmidt, Germany, Denis Bailly, France	
HAPISG	Workshop on Fish of Conservation and Bycatch Relevance (WKKOFIBYC)	Maurice Clarke, Ireland	
HAPISG	Workshop on fisheries Emergency Measures to minimize BYCatch of short-beaked common dolphins in the Bay of Biscay and harbor porpoise in the Baltic Sea (WKEMBYC)	Vincent Ridoux, France	
IEASG	Workshop on methods and guidelines to link human activities, pressures and state of the ecosystem in Ecosystem Overviews (WKTRANSPARENT)	Henn Ojaveer, Denmark, Debbi Pedreschi, Ireland and Gerjan Piet, Netherlands	

### 2021 workshops

AFFILIATION	WORKSHOP NAME	CHAIR	COMMENTS
EOSG	Workshop 2 on the identification of clupeid larvae (WKIDCLUP2) ( <i>also met in 2020</i> )	Matthias Kloppmann, Germany	
DSTSG	Fourth Workshop on Optimization of Biological Sampling (WKBIOPTIM4)	Gwladys Lambert, UK, Isabella Bitetto, Italy and Patricia Gonçalves, Portugal	
DSTSG	Workshop on Operational Implementation of Stomach Sampling (WKOISS)	Pierre Cresson, France and Maria Valls, Spain	
DSTSG	Workshop on Acoustic Backscatter Models (WKABM)	Sven Gastauer, United States	
DSTSG	Workshop on Age reading of Sea bass ( <i>Dicentrarchus labrax</i> ) 2 (WKARDL2)	Mary Brown, UK; Valerio Visconti, UK	
DSTSG	Workshop on Age estimation of European anchovy ( <i>Engraulis encrasicolus</i> ) (WKARA3)	Gualtiero Basilone; Italy; Andrés Uriarte, Italy	
DSTSG	Workshop on Estimation of Commercial Catches I – Ratio estimators (WKRATIO)	Liz Clarke, UK-Scotland, and Laurent Dubroca, France	
EOSG	Workshop on Adult Egg Production Methods Parameters estimation in Mackerel and Horse Mackerel (WKAPEM)	Maria Korta, Spain	
EOSG	Workshop on Mackerel, Horse Mackerel and Hake Eggs Identification and Staging (WKMACHIS)	Matthias Kloppmann, Germany	

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FRSG	Workshop for Salmon Life Cycle Modelling (WKSaModel)	Dennis Ensing, UK or Martha Robertson, Canada	
FRSG	Second Workshop on Atlantic chub mackerel ( <i>Scomber colias</i> ) (WKCOLIAS2)	Cristina Nunes, Portugal, and Alba Jurado-Ruzafa, Spain	
FRSG	Workshop on the future of eel advice (WKFEA)	Estibaliz Diaz, Spain, and Alain Biseau, France	
FRSG	Workshop on the Inclusion of Discard Survival in Stock Assessments (WKSURVIVE)	Tom Catchpole, UK, and Fabian Zimmermann, Norway	
FRSG	Benchmark Workshop for North sea stocks (WKNSEA)	Marie Storr-Paulsen, Denmark	
FRSG	Benchmark Workshop on the application of SPiCT to produce MSY advice for selected stocks (WKMSYSPiCT)	Manuela Azevedo, Portugal, and Massimiliano Cardinale, Sweden	
FRSG	Workshop on Tools and Development of Stock Assessment Models Using a4a and Stock Synthesis (WKTADSA)	Lisa Readdy, UK	
FRSG	Workshop on Fisheries Overviews (WKFO)	Bjarte Bogstad, Norway, and Youen Vermard, France	
FRSG	Inter-benchmark process to implement changes to data-limited short-lived species assessments (IBPSprat)	Jonathan White, Ireland	
FRSG	TAF Reporting Workshop (WKREPTAF)	Niels Hintzen, the Netherlands	
FRSG	Benchmark Workshop for Barents Sea and Faroese Stocks (WKBarFar)	Daniel Howell, Norway	
FRSG	Benchmark Workshop on selected stocks in the Western Waters in 2021 (WKWEST)	Mathieu Lund, UK, and Arved Staby, Norway	
HAPISG	Workshop on Transboundary issues in marine spatial planning (WKTBIMP)	Roland Cormier, Germany; Lodewijk Abspoel, the Netherlands; and Andrew Minkiewicz, United States	
HAPISG	Workshop on the Socio-economic implications of offshore wind on Fishing Communities (WKSEIOWFC)	Tara Hooper, UK; and Annie Hawkins, USA	
HAPISG	Workshop on Predictive Habitat Modelling (WKPHM)	Chris Rooper, Canada	
HAPISG	A series of two Workshop to develop a suite of management options to reduce the impacts of bottom fishing on seabed habitats and undertake trade-offs analysis of the overall benefit to seabed habitats and loss of fisheries revenue/contribution margin from these options (WKTRADE3)	Josefine Egekvist, Denmark; and Jan Geert Hiddink, UK	

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HAPISG	ICES/IUCN-CEM FEG Workshop on Testing OECM Practices and Strategies (WKTOPS)	Ellen Kenchington, Canada, and Jake Rice, Canada	
EPDSG	Workshop on Workshop on Scallop Aging 2 (WKSA2)	Dave Palmer, UK, Karen Vanstaen, UK, and Charlotte Reeves, UK	
IEASG	Third Workshop on integrated trend analyses in support to integrated ecosystem assessment (WKINTRA3) ( <i>awaiting approval for postponement to 2021</i> )	Benjamin Planque, Norway, and Saskia Otto, Germany	

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