

WGNSSK

Working Group on the Assessment of Demersal Stocks in the North Sea and Skagerrak



OUR GROUP



OUR CHAIRS

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OUR STOCKS

- 11 fish stocks with agreed reference points (category 1): 5 roundfish and 6 flatfish
- 9 data-limited fish stocks (category 2+): 4 roundfish and 5 flatfish
- 11 Norway lobster stocks (5 category 1, 1 category 2 and 5 category 4+)

OUR OBJECTIVE

WGNSSK aims to assess the status of demersal stocks in the Greater North Sea and provide advice for the next year. For stocks with sufficient data this leads to a forecast of catch options, while for data-limited stocks, other approaches are used, such as analyses of trends in abundance estimates or catches.

OUR MEMBERS

Around 40 experts from 8 countries

OUR EXPERTISE

- Population dynamics
- Stock assessment models
- Fish and Norway lobster biology and ecology
- Fisheries in the Greater North Sea
- Mixed fisheries
- Modelled survey indices