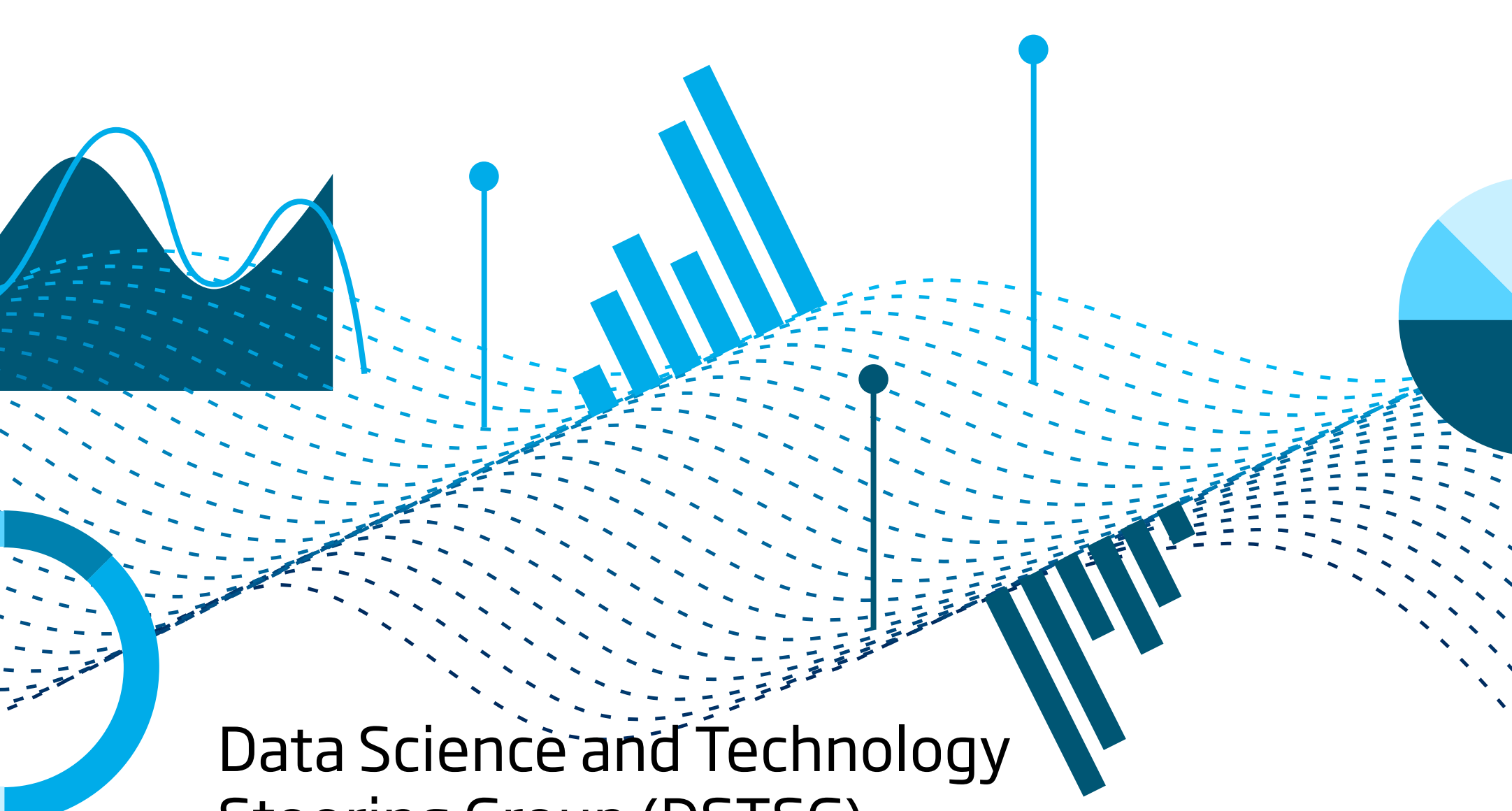


# WGSFDGOV

## Working Group on Spatial Fisheries Data Governance



Data Science and Technology  
Steering Group (DSTSG)

## RESEARCH FOCUS

The group provides context and delivers recommendations concerning the governance process around fishing vessel satellite surveillance data from the so-called Vessel Monitoring System (VMS), including, inter alia:

- upload of data in response to ICES calls for spatial and logbook data;
- conducting quality assurance by generating reports for sense checking data submissions;
- recommendations and procedures for the publishing of spatial fisheries data products;
- ensuring that priorities are aligned with wider ICES best practice principles in terms of data and quality management.

## OUR OBJECTIVE

The group supports the ICES Secretariat, Data Centre and WGSFD to achieve these aims:

- spatial and logbook data held at ICES and related products will not compromise the protection of the commercial fisheries data.
- the output used in ICES advice is reliable regarding data quality by conducting sufficient and effective quality checks.

## OUR EXPERTISE

Members of WGSFDGOV together with WGSFD and the ICES Data Center

- develop routines that allow large amounts of data to be checked quickly and clearly, to ensure that the rules of anonymization and data protection are followed;
- focus on recommendations and contributions to improve the ICES DataCall for spatial fisheries data;
- participate in checking and improving the R scripts for the ICES DataCall.

## OUR CHAIR

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