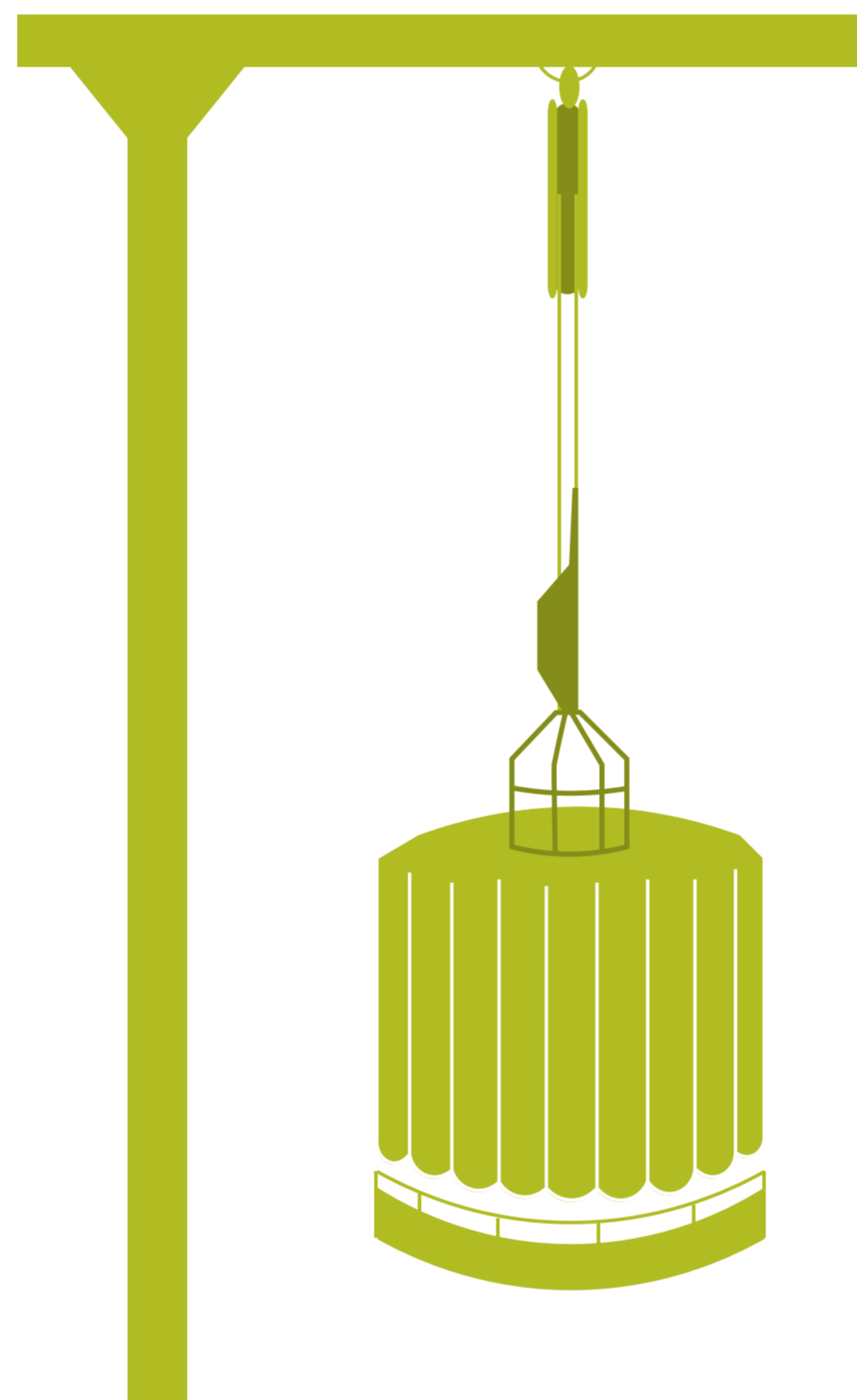


IBTSWG

International Bottom Trawl Survey Working Group



Ecosystem Observation
Steering Group (EOSG)

RESEARCH FOCUS

- Creation of survey indices
- Collection of biological data for assessed species
- Improve survey design:
 - Sampling design
 - Reduction in survey area (e.g. to MPAs and offshore infrastructure)
 - Robust survey indices with respect to new vessels, missing survey stations, new gear
- Design of trawl gear
- Changes in species abundance and distribution
- Environmental observations (oceanographic data, marine litter)
- Other biological data collection (e.g., tagging, fish parasites, genetics and stomach contents)

OUR OBJECTIVE

- Coordination of fishery-independent International Bottom Trawl Surveys in ICES area.
- Providing high quality, essential data for stock assessment and, more recently, groups such as OSPAR.

OUR EXPERTISE

We are a highly multi-disciplinary group with expertise spanning from gear design to leading surveys, from marine biology and ecology to statistics and top-class modelling of survey data.



OUR CHAIRS



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