

**Pressures and impacts on marine ecosystems:
a new Science Plan (2014-2018) program
replacing SSGSUE and SSGHIE**

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Agenda

Monday, 23 September 2013, 10:30–12:00

Integrated assessment of marine ecosystems is the cross-cutting theme of the revised Science Plan. In order for the ICES EGs to contribute most effectively towards integrated assessments greater integration and coordination across the EGs is important. In an ocean that is facing increasing pressures and impacts it is imperative that these are analysed in a manner that allows for comprehensive comparisons across pressures.

To achieve such cross-pressure integration the revised ICES Science Plan will merge the existing SCICOM Steering Groups on Sustainable Use of the Ecosystem (SSGSUE) and Human Impacts on the Ecosystem (SSGHIE) into the Ecosystem Pressures and Impacts (EPI) Steering Group.

This session will present the plans for such a merger, and discuss how the group will contribute to integrated assessment under the ICES Science Plan.

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| 1) Opening, review of agenda, appointment of rapporteurs | 10:30 |
| 2) Presentation of the new draft Science Plan with particular focus on the new EPI Steering Group and the merger of SUE and HIE. (Duplisea and Olsen) | 10:35 |
| 3) Examples of work under HIE and SUE and how it can contribute to Integrated Assessments | 10:55 |
| 3.1) Working Group on Biological Effects of Contaminants (WGBEC) – work over the past years – contribution to integrated assessment (Matt Gubbins) | 11:00 |
| 3.2) Working Group on Methods of Fish Stock Assessments (WGMG) – work over the past years – contribution to integrated assessment (José De Oliveira) | 11:10 |
| 4) Discussion of EPI and how EGs can contribute | 11:20 |
| Closing | 12:00 |