

Data call for commercial fisheries landing and sample data for the 2013 Regional Coordination Meetings

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Background

This year the Regional Coordination Meeting (RCM) for the North Sea & Eastern Arctic will be held in Vigo, Spain (9-13 September), the RCM North Atlantic will be held in Sukarrieta, Spain (16-20 September) and the RCM Baltic Sea will be held in Tallin, Estonia (26-30 August). The chairmen for these RCMs, Frans van Beek (NS&EA), Kelle Moreau (NA) and Jørgen Dalskov (Baltic) have coordinated the work to be done at this year's RCMs.

This data call requests data for the upcoming RCMs.

The aim of this data call is twofold:

- To facilitate analyses for regional sampling strategies under the DC-MAP at the upcoming 2013 RCMs.
- To have a time series of data 2009-2012 that could form the basis data for the planning of the collection of data for 2014-2020.

All relevant EU Member States have last year gained experience in uploading data to the regional data base "RDB FishFrame". Furthermore, several workshops in uploading and working with the RDB have been held. Therefore, we expect that the work in uploading data for the period 2009-2012 should not be a major problem for the MS. To have the data uploaded into the data base it will enable the RCMs to carry out better and more efficient coordination of regional data collection.

DATA CALL:

In accordance with the EU framework for the collection, management and use of data in the fisheries sector and support for scientific advice regarding the Common Fisheries (Council Regulation (EC) No 199/2008 of 25 February 2008, supplemented by Commission Decision 2010/93/EU of 18 December 2009), the RCM chairs herewith ask Member States to provide 2009 - 2012 national landings data (CL), effort data (CE) and commercial sampling data (CS) at DCF level 6.

In line with Article 20.2 of Regulation (EC) No 199/2008, these data shall be provided to the RCMs (i.e. FishFrame) **within one month from the receipt of this request for data**, at the latest at 15 July 2013.

The following data should be uploaded to FishFrame using the FishFrame Exchange Format:

Data years = 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012.

CS (Commercial samplings) consisting of the following different record types:

- **TR** = Trip
- **HH** = Haul Header
- **SL** = Species List

- **HL** = Haul Length cell
- **CA** = Catch Aged = SMAWL (Sex-Maturity-Age-Weight-Length)

CL (Commercial Landing statistics) consisting of just one record type (unit: tonnes):

- **CL** = Commercial Landing statistics (by MS, harbour, metier, species, month, ICES rectangle)

CE (Commercial Effort statistics) consisting of just one record type (unit KW days):

- **CE** = Commercial Effort statistics (by MS, harbour, metier, month, ICES rectangle)

The data call includes all species caught and all species landed by all Métiers (level 6) in 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012.

The following data should be provided for 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012 to the RCM chair as Excel file:

- Vessel identifier (can be a unique number code)
- Year of construction
- Port of registration
- Country of registration
- Overall Length (m)
- Vessel type e.g. pelagic trawler, trawler, beam trawler, artisanal, dredger.

According to Article 8(4) and 8(5) of Regulation (EC) No 199/2008, reductions and suspensions of European Union financial assistance may be applied by the Commission in case of lack of transmission of the requested data by the Member States within the specified deadline. Therefore the Member States are encouraged to respect the above mentioned deadline and to provide all requested data.

Please upload the data into FishFrame prior to the deadline. The FishFrame format specifications upload facilities and contact details are available at www.fishframe.org. You can request a password for the website through the contact form available.

Help during you work in uploading the data is available at ICES. Until further notice please contact Henrik Kjems Nielsen henrik.kjems-nielsen@ices.dk

We look forward to you cooperation.

Jørgen Dalskov, chair RCM Baltic

Frans van Beek, chair RCM North Sea & Eastern Arctic

Kelle Moreau, chair RCM North Atlantic