

Cost-sharing agreement for participation to the International Ecosystem Survey in the Nordic Seas in 2020

Having regard ;

- Article 5.1c of REGULATION (EU) 2017/1004 stipulating the establishment of thresholds below which it is not mandatory for Member States to carry out surveys at sea;
- Article 5.6 REGULATION (EU) 2017/1004 stipulating that these thresholds for stocks subject to catch limits shall be based upon the share of the relevant Members In the TAC that are available for the Union;
- Chapter II.7 of COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2019/909 stipulating that the threshold for participation to a survey is set at 3%;
- Article 5.5 of REGULATION (EU) 2017/1004 stipulating that there is a need to avoid disruption of time-series of data
- Chapter I of COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2019/909 stipulating Member States shall guarantee continuity with previous survey designs;
- Article 9.8 of REGULATION (EU) 2017/1004 stipulating that regional work plans may contain cost-sharing arrangements for participation in research surveys at sea
- COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2019/909 lists the International Ecosystem Survey in the Nordic Seas as a mandatory survey

Having acknowledged;

- that the scientific responsibility as well as survey planning and reporting lies with the ICES Working Group on International Pelagic Surveys;
- that TAC shares by Member State for 2019 form the basis for cost-sharing In 2020.
- to Include this agreement in full In every relevant National Workplan.

The following Member States have agreed to share the vessel costs for the International Ecosystem Survey in the Nordic Seas: Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Sweden, The Netherlands, United Kingdom.

Cost-sharing model

Cost-sharing is based on a cost-sharing key following the Gothenburg-model (RCG subgroup 2017¹).

This model will be applied to the vessel costs made by Denmark (carried out by R/V Dana) for the duration of the survey (total survey time, including calibration, vessel transfers, excluding mid-cruise-breaks) for 2020. The respective vessel costs are based on the vessel¹'s tariff of the preceding year. This tariff is based on the eligible costs as accepted by the EMFF Managing Authority of the MS conducting the survey .

¹ Report of the pan-regional RCG subgroup on cost sharing of research surveys at sea, Gothenburg 2016
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Application of the model leads to the following key:

Species: Herring *Clupea harengus* (2019 shares)





Member State	Quota (2019) (tonnes)	% Share	Cost Share MSs >3%
Belgium	13	0.03%	
Spain	43	0.11%	
Portugal	43	0.11%	
Finland	203	0.53%	
France	566	1.48%	
Poland	664	1.73%	
Germany	2299	6.00%	6.25%
Ireland	3399	8.87%	9.24%
The Netherlands	4698	12.26%	12.77%
Sweden	4865	12.70%	13.23%
United Kingdom	8393	21.91%	22.82%
Denmark	13129	34.27%	35.69%
Union	38315	100.00%	100.00%

Duration and governance:

This agreement covers cost-sharing for 2020 International Ecosystem Survey in the Nordic Seas. Substantial changes to survey design, survey participations or substantial legal and/or financial amendments automatically lead to a review of this agreement. Duly justified, participating Member States may request a review. This survey falls under the remit of RCG North Atlantic & North Sea as such this agreement will in the future form a part of the Regional Workplan for the North Atlantic & North Sea.

Invoices should be sent to the MS concerned before November 1 by the National Institute responsible for the survey as well as the accompanied administration.

Signatures

Member State	Name	Date	Signature
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Sweden	Anna Hasslöw	5/9 2019	
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