



STRATEGIC WORKSHOP

NGO WORK WITH FISHERIES IN THE BALTIC SEA

Place: Hel Marine Station, Hel

Time: 28-29 August 2007

Purpose of meeting:

1. To exchange experiences of working with raising public awareness, policy and lobbying on Baltic Sea issues, and fisheries in particular.
2. To discuss how we can raise public awareness and influence decision-makers in Poland on Baltic Sea issues, in particular cod, overfishing and IUU.
3. To discuss future cooperation across the Baltic Sea region on these issues.

Agenda Day 1

09:00 Coffee

09:15 Introduction to meeting and round of presentations *Jacek Bozek, Klub GAJA & Niki Sporrang, Fisheries Secretariat*

09:30 Ecolabelling and markets – changing fisheries policy through consumers *Inger Näslund, WWF Sweden*

10:00 Working with EU subsidies and fisheries issues in Finland *Tapani Veistola, Finnish Association for Nature Conservation*

10:30 Environmental work and NGO:s in Poland – history, development and current *Jacek Bozek, Klub GAJA*

11:00 “Baltic Sea Identity” - Current state of play of EKO UNIA’s campaign *Radek Gawlik, Eko Unia*

11:30 Questions and discussion

12:00 LUNCH

13:00 Current Baltic Sea efforts and cooperation *Piotr Gruszcza, Coalition Clean Baltic / Green federation GAJA*

- 13.30 The Baltic Sea Regional Advisory Council *Ewa Milewska, WWF Poland*
- 14.00 Baltic cod – status, management and challenges, *Henrik Sparholt, ICES secretariat*
- 14.30 Coffee
- 15.00 Introduction to Part 2 *Magnus Eckeskog, Fisheries Secretariat*
- 15.15 Plans and possibilities *Round table input from the Polish NGO:s*
- 15.45 Break-out sessions into two groups:
- General information and environmental education
- IUU fishing
- 17:00 Presentations from working groups and discussion
- 17.30 Drafting of joint work programme/different efforts
- 18.00 End of first day
- 19.00 Joint Dinner

Agenda Day 2

- 09:00 Coffee
- 09:15 Media and public interest in environmental issues – experiences from Poland and Sweden *Magdalena Prampfelt, Polish-Swedish freelance journalist*
- 09:45 Influencing Public Affairs *Ylva Rylander, Westander PR (former Climate Campaigner for Swedish Society for Nature Conservation)*
- 10.15 Continued drafting of joint work programme/different efforts
- 10.45 Discussion on future actions and possibilities for more regional cooperation
- 11.45 Closing words *Radek Gawlik, Eko Unia & Niki Sporrang, Fisheries Secretariat*
- 12.00 LUNCH

Lunch, refreshments and dinner will be provided as part of the meeting. Please indicate any food preferences. For those who have a limited budget for travel, the Fisheries Secretariat will cover travel and accommodation costs. Please contact us for more information.

Interpretation from/to Polish and English will be provided to facilitate discussions. If you have any questions, please contact:

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