

BSRAC Executive Committee, Wednesday 26th February 2014

Hotel Park Inn, Engvej 171, 2300 Copenhagen S

Starts at 10.00 hrs, ends at the latest 15 hrs (there will be some lunch at about 12.30)

Draft agenda (revised + comments)

1. Welcome by the BSRAC chair Reine J. Johansson

2. Formalities:

- a) Apologies and adoption of the agenda
- b) Adoption of the minutes from the last meeting (27th November 2013)
- c) Volunteers to check the minutes (from our rota)

3. Output from the Joint Working Group 25th February 2014 (the aim is for there to be some draft recommendations from the points discussed at the WG meeting and to be adopted by the ExCom)

4. Reports from various meetings: (Michael Andersen attended all these meetings and can give a short report. Secretariat was also at the ICES-RACs meeting and sent a short report from it in news to members number 2)

- a) MIRAC: ICES - RACs meeting 15th-16th January 2014
- b) Commission's Data collection meeting 16th January 2014
- c) ICES Benchmark for dab and flounder 27th – 31st January 2014

5. From the Secretariat

- a) Finance/accounts: Update on expenditure for the current year (the year is very close to an end, so we can give an update on how the expenditure has gone: handout at the meeting)
- b) The future of the BSRAC: name, website, logo etc, revision of the statutes (we have written a short note on where we are after contacting the Commission. We have also started to look at the statutes so as to revise them) Annex 1
- c) Status: Draft budget and work programme for 2014 – 2015 (update for the ExCom on our application)

- d) Application for membership from Oceana/substitute for Ewa Milewska (Annex 2)
- e) Update on the Flagship Project on reducing accidents in fisheries (Verbal report from the Secretariat)
- f) To invite Rory Crawford RSPB to a coming meeting and inform on a Baltic project dealing with birds bycatch (we have been in touch with Rory Crawford: he has been planning a project in Lithuania and would like to come and inform the RAC at a coming meeting)

6. Two project proposals: HORIZON 2020/CETMAR and MYFISH/SOCIOEC (we attach a short note on this and want to hear what the Excom thinks about involvement) Annex 3

7. AOB

8. Date and venue of the next ExCom meeting

Exact date and timing of the next meeting (ExCom General Assembly) on 24th/25th April: shall we run them over two days or have both meetings on one day and travel the day before? (Secretariat will explain the options).

Proposed dates for the Joint WG meeting to deal with the ICES advice: John Simmonds ACOM vice-chair will come and present the advice again this year. We have proposed 11th and 12th June: we need agreement from the ExCom on these dates.

Date for the ExCom to deal with adoption of the advice: we need to agree a date end June/early July 2014.