

Draft (revised) programme
BSRAC technical workshop on
bycatch management and the reduction of discards
 9th -10th February 2011
 Hotel Svea, Simrishamn, Sweden

Moderator: Steve Karnicki, Sea Fisheries Institute (MIR), Gdynia
 Rapporteur: Pia Romare, Lund University

DAY 1: PART ONE WHERE WE ARE NOW?
EVALUATION OF THE CURRENT SITUATION

13:00 Sandwich lunch

Time	Subject
14.00	Opening and welcome by Reine J. Johansson , Chairman of the BS RAC Executive Committee
14.15	Setting the scene: the aims of the workshop by Steve Karnicki , Honorary chair of the BSRAC
14.30	How we see the current situation regarding discards of cod in the Baltic, and possible ways to move to a minimization. Daniel Valentinsson , Institute of Marine Research, Swedish Board of Fisheries
14.50	"Selectivity problems in the Baltic Sea cod trawler fleet – again!" Vesa Tschernij , "South Baltic FLAG"
15.10	Unaccounted bycatch Piotr Nowakowski , West Pomeranian University of Technology
15.30	Optimal harvesting of cod, focusing on exploitation patterns, Eskild Kirkegaard , Principal Adviser, DTU Aqua (National Institute of Aquatic Resources)
15.50	Discussions amongst the participants and participation by fishermen. Sweden: skipper Henrik Torkelsson (Almy West). Denmark: skippers Kim Kær Hansen and Thomas Thomsen . Germany: Benni Schmöde and skipper John Much . Poland: Artur Budnik , Adam Jakubiak and Jaroslav Kirsztling
16.30	Coffee/tea
17.00	The presentations and discussions continue
18.30	Conclusions, findings from the first day
20.00-22.00 Dinner	

**DAY 2: PART TWO: WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE AND WHAT DO WE TRY?
PROPOSALS FOR POSSIBLE IMPROVEMENTS IN SELECTIVITY**

Time	Subject
09:00	Summary of Day 1 and going into Day 2, Steve Karnicki
09.30	T90 trawl gear for fishing Baltic cod: construction and results of first pilot sea trials Waldemar Moderhak , Sea Fisheries Institute Gdynia
09.55	What choice of materials can we make to solve some of the current problems? Knud Carlsen , Carlsen Net
10.15	Best available technology in trawl construction to ensure high selectivity and low costs Ulrik Jes Hansen , Manager of CATch-Fish
10.35	Further thoughts and suggestions for improvements to gear selectivity Thomas Nilsson , (fishing gear technologist), Donsö Fiskeredskap
11.00	Discussions continue with the involvement of invited fishermen (as on day 1)
11.00	For those who are interested, and with time allowing, there will be the chance to visit to the Swedish fisheries control vessel, the coast guard or to see a demonstration of fishing gear inside the Marine Center.
12.00	Lunch
13.00	Collective drafting of recommendations from the workshop
14.30	Coffee/tea, (go for walk, look at gear etc). Secretariat will, together with the moderator, draft the conclusions from the workshop
15.15	Presentation of draft recommendations from meeting
15.30	End

At this workshop, there will be interpreting to and from German, Polish and English