

To members of the BSAC and observers

Copenhagen Thursday 23rd December 2021

**RE: BSAC Pelagic Working Group Monday 24th January 2022
ONLINE meeting [Zoom] - 10.00 – 13.00 CET**

Dear BSAC members and observers,

At its recent meeting on 22nd November 2021, the BSAC Management Team went through the outstanding issues and work on the BSAC Work Programme for 2021-2022.

For the pelagic fisheries, it was decided that the next meeting of the Pelagic Working Group will deal with an update on current work on stickleback. At the start of this year, the BSAC did some very solid work and produced recommendations to initiate a trial fishery for stickleback in the Baltic.¹ Now is the time to get an update from Baltic Member States, fisheries representatives and science on how far the trials and work have got.

An additional point for the agenda will be an exchange of views about the current meaning and future of the Baltic pelagic fisheries in the context of the quotas for 2022 and 2023.

The Chair invites you to raise any other issues that you think should be included on the meeting agenda. A short message with a rationale and relevant background would be very welcome. Please write to Jarek Zielinski or to the BSAC Secretariat by Monday 10th January 2022. fpaski@me.com sc@bsac.dk

Please find attached a draft agenda for the meeting. ./.

Please reply to this invitation by Monday 17th January 2022, and please send requests for interpreting asap.

On behalf of Jarek Zielinski, Chair of the BSAC Pelagic Working Group, a merry, healthy and peaceful Christmas to everyone, and in the year 2022 lots of health, and many reasons for joy and satisfaction.

Sally Clink

¹ <http://www.bsac.dk/BSAC-Resources/BSAC-Statements-and-recommendations/BSAC-recommendation-on-a-trial-fishery-for-stickle>