

**Management Team Meeting by Zoom
Monday, 17th January 2022
08.00 - 09.00 CET – before the ExCom meeting**

REPORT

PRESENT: Esben Sverdrup-Jensen, Ingemar Berglund, Jarek Zieliński, Nils Höglund, Ewa Milewska, Sally Clink.

1. Welcome by the BSAC Executive Committee Chair

2. Apologies and adoption of the agenda

The ExCom Chair welcomed the members of the BSAC Management Team. Apologies were noted from Teija Aho. The agenda was adopted.

3. Ongoing work for year 2021-2022 to be continued/completed:

a. ExCom meeting 17.1.22

The ExCom Chair referred to the fact that at its meeting on 21st November 2021, the Management Team decided to initiate at the next ExCom meeting a discussion on the working procedures with BALTFISH, including the role of the BSAC in the BALTFISH Forum meetings, and formulate a proposal which could be presented to the BALTFISH High level Group.

The Management Team took note and looked forward to the ExCom meeting where the BSAC could discuss working procedures with BALTFISH, including the role of the BSAC in the BALTFISH Forum meetings and the High Level Group. The BALTFISH Presidency would be joining the meeting.

The Management Team took note that the European Fish Meal and Fish Oil Producers had requested to take over the membership in the BSAC (replacing Marine Ingredients) and would make a short presentation at the ExCom meeting.

b. Pelagic WG 24.1.22

The Management Team took note that the draft agenda had been revised to include experts and representatives from Denmark, Estonia and Sweden to update on stickleback trials.

c. EBM WG 4.2.22

The Management Team took note that the draft agenda for the meeting covers the two main points HELCOM BSAP and eel. Work is required to get DG representatives to the meeting.

d. Demersal WG 8.3.22

The Management Team took note that preparations are underway with Demersal WG Chair.

e. Is there anything else to be dealt with by BSAC during 2021-2022?

The Management Team took note that the work on the BSAC draft White Paper has reached the final stage. The BSAC will organise a special session of the ExCom meeting at which the BSAC White Paper can be presented and finalised. The White Paper will be sent to the Commission after endorsement by the ExCom and adoption by the General Assembly.

The Management Team also took note of the two consultations launched by the European Commission on the CFP and Common Market Organisation, the questionnaire sent by Gabriel Mato, rapporteur of the European Parliament for a report on the CFP, as well as the consultation on eel organised by the European Commission.

The Management Team decided that the BSAC White Paper covers the BSAC views on the implementation and revision of the CFP with a Baltic perspective and could be sent as a BSAC response to the CFP questionnaire and to the questionnaire provided by Gabriel Mato. The BSAC members can reply to all consultations as individual organisations.

f. The ACs (Secs and Chairs etc.) meeting on 18.1.22 and the ACs-COM meeting on 19.1.22¹

The Management Team took note of the ACs meeting (Secretariats) on 18th January 2022 and the ACs-COM meeting (Inter AC) on 19th January 2022. It noted that the agenda of the ACs – COM meeting is filled with many information points and does not leave much room for discussion. The agenda for the ACs meeting does not reflect the agenda for the Inter-ACs meeting. The ExCom Chair, EBM Working Group Chair and the Secretariat will attend both meetings.

4. Preparing for the year 2022-2023

The Management Team took note of the information provided by the BSAC Secretary on the new lump sum methodology applicable to the ACs and the work done by the Secretariat to draft the budget and work programme This will be presented at the ExCom meeting.

The Management Team took note that the MIAC and MIACO meetings were moved forward to 22nd -23rd June 2022.

5. AOB

The Management Team took note that the ExCom Chair and the Executive Secretary will step down from their posts in spring 2022. The post of the BSAC Vice Chair is also still vacant. The elections of the new ExCom Chair and Vice Chair will take place at the General Assembly and ExCom in May 2022. The deadline for applying for the BSAC Executive Secretary is 9th February 2022.

¹ Both agendas here: <http://www.bsac.dk/Meetings/External-events/ACs-meeting-with-Commission>