

Draft Agenda for the first Science Focus Group Meeting

Monday 17th March 2025

11:30 – 14:00 (CET) by Zoom¹

DRAFT Agenda

1. **Welcome by the secretariat, introduction of chair (Alexander Ben Embarek)**
2. **Formalities for the start of the meeting**
Apologies and adoption of the agenda
3. **Presentation of the context, tour de table of expectations, election of a Chair**
4. **Presentation of the draft TOR for adoption.**
Draft terms of Reference sent to participants.
5. **Agree on objectives of the science focus group and refine them**
6. **Discussion of what issues to be tackled by the Science focus group for a preliminary work plan.**
 - **Make a list of issues and prioritize the issues.**
 - Quality of science (possible improvements)
 - Changes in stock structure (Size, age and sex)
 - Interspecies dynamics
 - Ecosystem considerations
 - Cod recovery plan
 - Mixed fisheries advice
 - Risk assessment in scientific advice
 - Approach to selectivity.
7. **Next steps**
8. **AOB**

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