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Approved Project Plan for the CEN Workshop 109 on “Good practice guidelines for developing management recommendations for the EU fleet operating outside European waters”

Acronym: FarFish

1. Status of the Project Plan

This is the approved project plan at the kick-off meeting held 2020-06-24

2. Background to the Workshop

This CEN workshop is related to the FarFish project, short for “Responsive results-based management and capacity building for EU sustainable fisheries partnership agreement- and international water”, a research and innovation action (RIA) project funded under H2020-SFS-2016-2. The purpose of this workshop is to create consensus-based guidelines for how to develop Management Recommendations (MRs) tailored for the EU fleet operating outside European waters. The guidelines are to follow the Results-Based Management (RBM) approach and draw upon experience from work carried out in the FarFish project, where such guidelines have been developed and tested.

More than 20% of the European fishing fleets catches are taken from non-European waters. Access to these waters is often based on agreements with coastal states that allow the EU fleet to fish from surplus stocks in return for financial support. These agreements have been subjected to criticism, as these fisheries are sometimes poorly regulated and management decisions are often based on limited knowledge, compliance, and enforcement capabilities. It is also too often the case that trust between stakeholders is lacking.

The good practice guidelines for developing MRs for the EU fleet operating outside European waters provides guidelines on how to identify important issues that hinder environmental, social and economic sustainability of the fisheries in questions, and a framework on how to develop guidelines for resolving these issues, in cocreation with stakeholders.

Standardized good practise guidelines similar to this one does not exist at present.



3. Workshop proposers and Workshop participants

The original proposers of the Workshop are:

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Registered participants to the Workshop are listed in Annex 1

4. Workshop scope and objectives

The overall purpose and objective of the workshop is to develop consensus-based guidelines for developing MRs for the EU fleet operating outside European waters. The guidelines are to provide a methodology for how to identify important issues that hinder environmental, social and economic sustainability of the fisheries in questions, and a framework on how to develop guidelines for resolving these issues, in cocreation with stakeholders. The guidelines are to follow the Results-Based Management (RBM) approach and draw upon experience from work carried out in the FarFish project, where such guidelines have been developed and tested.

5. Workshop programme

The CWA shall be drafted and published in English. The Workshop will produce one single CEN Workshop Agreement. The duration of the work is estimated to be 15 months. The specific work items in the CEN Workshop will be as follows:



Activities	Time	Deliverables
Announcement of CEN Workshop on 'guidelines and good practice guidelines for developing MRs tailored for the EU fleet operating outside European waters' on CEN and Standards Norway website, with reference to more details on the FarFish website www.farfish.eu	May 20 th 2020	Project plan – Draft version 1
CEN Workshop Kick-off meeting, , with approval of the CWA Project Plan. Virtual meeting.	June 24 th 2020	Appointment of Chair and secretariat
Further development of the Project plan	June 24 th 2020	Approved project plan
Initial development of draft CWA based on comments from the CEN workshop kick-off meeting	June 24 th to September 1 st 2020	
Publishing CWA Draft version 1 for feedback	September 1 st 2020	CWA – Draft version 1
Initial public commenting phase, draft publicly available for comments on the FarFish website with commenting possibility directly to the FarFish convener, and on the CEN website	September 1 st to November 1 st 2020	Comments and inputs on the draft CWA v1
Further development of draft CWA based on initial commenting phase	November 1 st to November 14 th 2020	
Publishing CWA Draft version 2 for feedback	November 14 th 2020	CWA – Draft version 2
CEN workshop meeting for discussing the CWA draft version 2, held in Dakar, Senegal as part of the FarFish Work Package leader and Case Study leader meeting.	November 18 th 2020	
Final public commenting phase, draft publicly available for comments on the FarFish website with commenting possibility directly to the FarFish convener, and on the CEN website	November 14 th 2020 to January 15 th 2021	Comments and inputs on the draft CWA v2
Finalising CWA Draft version 3	February 15 th 2021	CWA – Draft version 3
CEN Workshop Consensus meeting, following the transfer of the draft CWA to full CEN, at final FarFish meeting in Brussels on May 25 th -27 th 2021	May 27 th 2021	Approved CWA
Publication by CEN of the CWA	September 2021	Published CWA



6. Workshop structure

The workshop chair will be formally appointed at the kick-off meeting by the parties present. The chair responsibilities shall:

- Chairing the CEN Workshop meetings,
- Be responsible for ensuring that the development of the CWA is in accordance with the agreed project plan and requirements of CEN Guide 29 CEN/CENELEC "Workshop Agreements - The way to rapid consensus",
- Interface with CCMC regarding strategic directions, problems arising, external relationships, etc.
- Representation of the CEN Workshop and its results to the exterior.

The CEN Workshop Secretariat is providing the formal link to the CEN system. The following main activities will be carried out by the Workshop Secretariat:

- Organizing CEN Workshop plenary meetings in cooperation with the chairperson,
- Producing CEN Workshop minutes and action lists,
- Forming the administrative contact point for CWA project,
- Managing CEN Workshop attendance lists,
- Managing CEN Workshop document registers,
- Maintain a record of the participating organizations and individuals
- Bring any major problems encountered in the development of the CWA to the attention of CCMC, in order that solutions may be found
- Notify CCMC of any possible conflict with a current or prospective European Standard that could arise from adoption of the CWA under development.

The CWA draft will be placed for comments on the web-site of CEN and the FarFish project: www.farfish.eu. The language of the CEN Workshop is English (meetings, documents, CWA...)

New participants can join the Workshop up to and including the end of the drafting phase by contacting the Workshop Chair, the Workshop Vice-Chair, or by e-mailing farfish@matis.is to express interest.

7. Resource requirements

The participants in the CEN Workshop must cover their own expenses.

The financial coverage of the CEN Workshop Secretariat is ensured by Nofima, the Norwegian Institute of Food, Fisheries and Aquaculture Research.

The exploitation rights of the CWA shall be transferred to CEN.

8. Related activities, liaisons, etc.

The Chairman, Dr. Petter Olsen, is responsible for liaisons with relevant bodies active in R&D, pre-standardization, regulations etc.



9. Contact points

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