

CONFERENCE: FISHING DISCARDS

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Seminar

MANAGEMENT OF DISCARDS IN EUROPEAN FISHERIES

FAROS project



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Workshop

FISHING DISCARDS: TACKLING THE PROBLEM FROM A RESEARCH AND INNOVATION PERSPECTIVE

European Fisheries Technology Platform



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Discards are described by the FAO as “that portion of the total organic material of animal origin in the catch, which is thrown away, or dumped at sea for whatever reason. It does not include plant materials and post harvest waste such as offal”.

It becomes evident that discard practices may produce a number of adverse ecological impacts due to ecosystem changes in the overall structure of trophic webs and habitats which could risk the future of fisheries. In this framework the European Commission took a number of actions oriented to the implementation of “no-discards” and “zero-waste” policies.

In order to reduce discards, two main approaches have been presented: on one hand improving the selectivity of the fishing gear and avoiding the non-targeted species, zones or seasons. On the other hand identifying alternatives for discards utilization (the development of new markets for discarded species, the use of low-value discards for the creation of value-added fish products, etc.).

In this sustainability framework, the FAROS Project (Integral Networking of Fishing Sector Actors to Organize a Responsible, Optimal and Sustainable Exploitation of Marine Resources) <http://www.farosproject.eu/> aims at developing and implementing an efficient and integral discards management network based on a global real-time information system both on board and in land, that implies all actor present in the fishing sector.

Workshop

The European Fisheries Technology Platform (EFTP) is promoting a series of thematic workshops in order to identify key research and innovation challenges and propose actions for tackling them. Fishing discards is one of the main priorities for EFTP members. By means of implementing a collaborative methodology, stakeholders are invited to contribute to a common vision about the problem and on how to tackle it. The output envisaged will be part of the EFTP Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda and could become a valuable input for defining future RTDI policies with regard to fishing discards.

Registration: Attendance at this conference is free of charge. Please note that seating is limited and places should be registered via:

<http://www.cetmar.org/seminarios/FishingDiscards>

Seminar Program

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- FAROS Project-



09h30 Reception - Welcome. Delivery of documentation

09h45 Opening

Paloma Rueda Crespo. Directora gerente Fundación CETMAR
Ignacio López -Chaves Castro. Presidente de la Autoridad Portuaria de Vigo
Juan C. Maneiro Cadillo. Secretary General for the Sea. Xunta de Galicia

10h00 "Common Fisheries Policy (CFP). European context"

Ernesto Penas Lado. Responsible Directorate A, Policy Development and Co-ordination, DG Mare

10h30 "Common Fisheries Policy (CFP). Spanish context"

Borja Velasco Tuduri. Subdirector General National Fishery, Community Waters and Aquaculture. MAGRAMA

11h00 "Reduction of discards in the EU, a view from the Spanish sector".

Juan Manuel Liria. Vicepresident of Confederación Española de Pesca (CEPESCA)

11h30. Coffe break

12h00 "How the MSC fisheries certification program assesses environmental issues linked to bycatch and discards and minimizes their impacts on the ecosystems".

Carlos Montero. Marine Stewardship Council -MSC

12h30 "Development and testing of a new selective Otter Bottom Trawl for reducing bycatches and discards in Galician mixed fishery".

José F. Fernández. IEO-Vigo-ARVI

13h00 "Towards a sustainable and efficient management of discards: FAROS project".

Luis Taboada. IIM-CSIC

13h30 "Galician R & D initiatives for the valorisation of fishing discards".

Ricardo Pérez. IIM-CSIC

14h00 "Technological measures to prevent discards - and some experiences".

Vegar Johansen. SINTEF

14h30 Lunch

Workshop Program

THEMATIC WORKSHOP ON FISHING DISCARDS: TACKLING THE PROBLEM FROM A RESEARCH AND INNOVATION PERSPECTIVE

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15h15 Welcome and introductory speech.

Javier Garat. Secretary General CEPESCA & EFTP President

- Presentation of the EFTP.

- Importance of identifying key challenges, defining priorities and providing clear paths to focus the actions.

15h 30 Briefing the key topics and related challenges.

Rosa Fernández. CETMAR & EFTP Secretariat

15h40 Introducing the participants and the working method.

María Pérez. CETMAR & EFTP Secretariat

15h50 First discussion round on each of the topics (20').

Second discussion round (20').

Third discussion round (20').

16h50 Wrap-up session.

17h30 End of the meeting.



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