



3 Year RCG TORS 2019-2021 (North Sea, North Atlantic & Baltic)

- 1. Propose ways to improve the alignment between data collection and end-user needs (by region)**
 - Define end user needs and assess how they are met by current and future data collection.
 - Define and suggest mechanisms for communication and implementation of end user needs
 - Feedback from ICES end user groups and RCG feedback on their recommendation
 - Improve regional cooperation for small scale fisheries and assessing effects on the ecosystem
 - Formulate recommendation(s) for revision of EU-MAP to ensure that it is in line with end user needs

- 2. Implement and maintain data quality in data collection**
 - Assess the documentation of data quality procedures
 - Update on fisheries overview and sampling overview
 - Update on development of RDB and RDBES
 - Review the outcome of regional orientated projects and other groups
 - Develop strategy for implementation of electronic data capture (REM).

- 3. Review impact on management measures on data collection**
 - Assess Implication on the landing obligation.

- 4. Development and implementation of Regional Workplans**
 - Identify and propose the building blocks of regional workplan
 - Review and evaluate the outcome of regional orientated projects to identify template, content, actions to be incorporated in regional workplan.
 - Optimizing the use of surveys: efficiency, multi-purpose & task sharing Decisions and actions to be taken.

- 5. Propose ways to improve the regional coordination and feedback on regional issues**
 - Review and evaluate the outcome of regional orientated projects
 - Develop & adopt tools and working procedures for more effective regional cooperation and coordination.

- 6. Support of ToRs**
 - Promote publication on findings, likely in the form of peer-reviewed publication (e.g. CRR) that documents the development of methodologies in the field of regional coordination & data collection and the state of scientific knowledge on the topic at the end of the 3-year TOR period
 - Identify pilot studies. Decisions and actions to be taken.