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Advisory Committee

2018/2/ACOM01 The **Advisory Committee** (ACOM), chaired by Marc Dickey-Collas will work on the following tasks:

- a) Meet in plenary in Copenhagen, 5–8 March, 2019 to:
 - i) Review directions and guidelines provided by Council, Bureau and client requests for information and advice;
 - ii) Review the performance of the advisory work in 2018 and agree on actions to enhance the work as appropriate;
 - iii) Review progress on Advisory Services in 2018;
 - iv) Review ACOM Work-plan for 2018;
 - v) Review the implementation of the Advice Plan;
 - vi) Review ICES Strategic Plan for 2019 –and onwards;
 - vii)
 - viii) Review recommendations to ACOM and agree on actions as appropriate;
 - ix) Finalise the 2019 advisory work-plan;
 - x) Agree on the 2019 ACOM work-plan;
 - xi) Review guidelines for the advisory work and amend as appropriate
 - xii) Identify future research needs related to the work of ACOM as input to the Scientific Committee.
- b) Work by correspondence (web conferences) according to the work-plans, *inter alia* to adopt advice;
- c) Hold Consultations at national expense in Gothenburg, Sweden in September 2019 during the ASC Meeting to:
 - i) Discuss the 2019 work-plan including Terms of Reference, dates and venues for groups to be involved in the advisory process in 2019;
 - ii) Conduct other business related to the functioning of ACOM.

Supporting Information

Priority:	High.
Scientific Justification and relation to Action Plan:	Benchmark workshops will be held to review data and develop and review methods. Expert groups will address the ToRs agreed for the groups, develop draft advice as appropriate, and conduct internal audit of the work. Advice drafting groups will develop the draft advice text for adoption by ACOM.
Resource Requirements:	
Participants:	Chair, Vice-Chairs, and nationally nominated, <i>ex officio</i> members and Steering Group Chairs. Chairs of the Expert groups with advisory tasks are invited to the ACOM Consultations in September. The ACOM Chair may invite experts to the September Consultations and the November Plenary meeting as appropriate.
Observers	Recipients of advice, Observers to the advisory process
Secretariat Facilities:	The ACOM Plenary meeting will normally be held at ICES HQ to benefit from WebEx facilities and full Secretariat support
Financial:	Included in the Secretariat budget

Linkages to other Committees or Groups:	SCICOM, Steering Groups, Council, Bureau
Linkages to other Organisations:	EU, HELCOM, OSPAR, NASCO, NEAFC, , ICCAT, GFCM, FAO, ICES Member Countries

MIRIA – Meeting between ICES and Recipients of ICES Advice

2018/2/ACOM02 ICES will invite recipients of ICES advice (Partner Commissions, governments) to meet with the ACOM leadership, chaired by ACOM Chair, Mark Dickey-Collas, 15–16 January *tbc* 2019 to:

- a) Review the performance of the ICES advisory system in 2018 and discuss issues and concerns arising since the 2018 MIRIA meeting
- b) Discuss the coordination and availability of expert resources for ICES advisory work;
- c) Review the development of ICES advisory framework in relation to advice on fishing opportunities and ecosystem advice including ICES proposal for a Dialogue Meeting on Ecosystem Advice;
- d) Discuss policy developments of relevance to ICES advice;
- e) Discuss the basis for ICES advice in relation to fisheries management strategies/plans and agreed environmental policy measures; including science underpinning of Baltic Sea mixed fisheries and mackerel advice
- f) Discuss the frequency of advice and criteria for updating fish stocks advice;
- g) Provide information on and discuss the Workplan for ICES advice in 2019 including issues of timing, transparency, and quality assurance;
- h) Any other issues regarding future ICES advice as raised by the advice recipients.

MIRIA will report by 8 February 2019 for the attention of the Advisory Committee.

MIACO – Meeting between ICES, Advisory Councils and other Observers

2018/2/ACOM03 ICES will invite the Advisory Councils (ACs) and other ICES observer organizations to meet with the ACOM leadership, chaired by ACOM Chair, Mark Dickey-Collas, at ICES Headquarters 17–18 January 2019 to:

- a) Invite ACs/observers to report on their experience of working with ICES during 2018 and to present their research and advisory needs, and discuss ICES' experience of participating in AC meetings in 2018;
- b) Review progress on following up of action points from the 2018 MIACO meeting;
- c) Discuss practical arrangements in 2019 for cooperation between ACs/observers and ICES, including procedures for delivering and discussion of the ICES advice;
- d) Discuss ICES benchmark system and how stakeholder information can be brought into ICES advisory process;
- e) Discuss the plan for further development of ICES advisory framework in relation to advice on fishing opportunities and ecosystem advice including ICES proposal for a Dialogue Meeting on Ecosystem Advice;

MIACO will report 13 February 2019 for the attention of the Advisory Committee.

WGCHAIRS – Annual Meeting of Advisory Working Group Chairs

2018/2/ACOM04 The **Annual Meeting of the Chairs of Expert Groups** (WGCHAIRS), chaired by ACOM Chair, Mark Dickey-Collas and SCICOM Chair, Simon Jennings, will meet in, Copenhagen, Denmark, 21–25 January 2019 to:

- a) Consider issues of relevance to ACOM oriented groups 21-22 January
- b) Consider issues of relevance to all ICES expert groups 23 January
- c) Consider issues of relevance to SCICOM oriented expert groups 24-25 January

WGCHAIRS will report by 13 February 2019 for the attention of ACOM and SCICOM.

