## ANNEX 1. SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION

## **REPORT OF THE SYMPOSIUM ON DEEP-SEA FISHERIES**

## Hosted by the Scientific Council of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization (NAFO) 12-14 September 2001

The Symposium, *Deep-Sea Fisheries*, was held at the Centro de Convenciones de Plaza de América, Varadero, Matanzas, Cuba, with co-conveners J. A. Moore (NAFO), J. D. M. Gordon (ICES), and A. Koslow (CSIRO) during 12-14 September 2001. There were 104 participants from Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Cuba, Denmark, Estonia, Faroe Islands, France, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Mexico, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Spain, United Kingdom, and United States of America.

W. B. Brodie, Chairman of Scientific Council, opened the symposium by welcoming the participants and presenting a brief overview of NAFO and its activities. The participants were welcomed by Mr. E. Oltuski, Minesterio de la Industria Pesquera, Cuba, as the Cuban host, and the President of NAFO and Chairman of General Council.

J. D. M. Gordon welcomed the participants on behalf of the co-conveners. He noted that a theme session on deepwater fish and fisheries at the 1998 ICES Annual Science Conference had resulted in a record number of oral presentations and posters. This meeting had exceeded that number indicating both the rapid development of deepwater fisheries and concerns about their sustainability. He explained that there would be changes to the schedule resulting from the cancellation and/or late arrival of speakers due to the closure of all airports in the USA following the events of 11 September. Regrettably the NAFO co-convener, J. A. Moore, was unable to attend the symposium.

The co-conveners invited D. Power and W. R. Bowering to Chair the sessions on "Redfish" and "Greenland halibut", respectively. M. Clark was invited to Chair the opening session on "Deepwater Fisheries".

The Symposium considered current research, advances and impacts of deep-water fisheries in many different locations around the world. In addition, two sessions were devoted to important deep-water fisheries (Greenland halibut and redfish) of the North Atlantic area.

Three invited speakers addressed specific issues within the six sessions. Thirty-five other oral presentations were delivered and 62 posters were displayed. Posters were highlighted in the Greenland halibut session during which five poster authors presented 5-minute summaries of their work.

## SESSION 1. DEEPWATER FISHERIES

The first part of this session, chaired by J. A. Koslow, mostly consisted of descriptions of developing deep-water fisheries. The leadoff invited paper by Koslow and co-authors reviewed recent evidence for high diversity and endemism and highly localized distributions of seamount benthic communities, based on data from the Southwest Pacific. Trawl fishing was shown to be capable of severely impacting these communities, leading to the need to conserve this fauna based on localized networks of representative protected areas.

One paper covered preliminary faunal information from exploratory work at Bear Seamount, just off Georges Bank that had revealed a rich fauna, including 115 species of fish. Another paper described recent trends in the deep-water fishery off southern Brazil and emphasized the need for orderly development of that region's deepwater fishery, based on initial explorations now being carried out with chartered foreign fishing vessels. Their systematic exploration, based on use of a range of gears over that country's deepwater zone, provided a valuable model for deepwater fishery development. In contrast, a paper on the Spanish multi-species deep-sea fishery in the international waters of the Hatton Bank (ICES Sub-area XII) described the rapid development of the Spanish trawl fishery for *Alepocephalus bairdii* (Baird's smoothhead) and *Coryphaenoides rupestris* (roundnose grenadier). Only five years old, the fishery is already Spain's largest deepwater trawl fishery. Data on both the Spanish and Brazilian fisheries is obtained by observers working from commercial vessels. The Spanish fishery already shows signs of declining catch and catch per unit of effort, indicating that a cautious approach to future management of the fishery is warranted. A space in the program was filled by an unscheduled paper by Hareide, Langedal, Garner and Dyb entitled "Hatton Bank resources and catch results – results from Norwegian exploratory fisheries" that presented interesting results from Hatton Bank, showing a clear relationship between the fish assemblages and water mass

characteristics. The fish fauna within the arctic-influenced water to the west of the bank had more coldwater affinities, while the fauna to the east had more typically Atlantic affinities. The authors pointed out that the present division of the region into several ICES sub-areas was probably no longer appropriate scientifically for management of the region.

Another paper on the distribution and density of carnivorous fish species around Lanzarote and Fuerteventura, Canary Islands, used multivariate statistics to extract information from commercial long-line data on community structure in relation to depth and potentially hydrological factors. Their approach illustrated the potential to obtain important ecological information from available commercial catch data. This first session ended with a review of recent catch records, which extend the range for *Hoplostethus atlanticus* (orange roughy) into Canadian waters. The catches were generally quite low, on the order of one individual per set, so the fishery potential appears negligible at present.

J. D. M. Gordon chaired the second part of this much depleted session and presented his invited paper, which aimed to provide an overview of the Rockall Trough (northeast Atlantic) and its deep-water fisheries. Deep-water fishes were first dredged from the area in 1868 and since the 1970s there have been many surveys. The deep-water fishery that began in the 1980s has been well documented and can provide insights into the fishery effects on the ecosystem. The other presentation in this session described a comparison of a long-line and a gill net fishery for *Merluccius merluccius* (hake) in deep-water off southern Portugal.

## **SESSION 2. GREENLAND HALIBUT**

This session, which was chaired by W. R. Bowering, comprised 10 presentations grouped into three themes. Two papers were concerned with the effects of fishing on growth and fishing patterns. Two papers considered stock structure issues and six papers described studies on maturation (e.g. length- and age-at-maturity, ovarian maturation and fecundity). The concluding discussion focused almost entirely on the maturation issues. The key results were 1) that length and age at maturity indicated high interannual variation among stocks throughout the North Atlantic; 2) the interpretation of the maturity cycle can be difficult since it has been shown that the fish may not spawn annually and 3) the length and age at maturity was rather similar throughout the North Atlantic except for NAFO Div. 2J+3K where fish matured at a larger size and age. It was also noted that some imprecision in the length- and age-at-maturity can be caused by errors in the visual interpretation of the immature and resting stages and it was suggested that precision could be improved by using histological techniques for interpreting maturity stages. It was also suggested that some of the annual variation observed in length- and age-at-first-maturity might be removed if sampling could be spread throughout the year. For practical purposes averaging maturity rates over some years may be useful for approximating SSB trends.

At the conclusion of the session it was suggested that it might be useful to consider whether the experience of managing long established Greenland halibut fisheries might have something to offer to the management of some of the new deep-water fisheries. It was noted that all Greenland halibut stocks declined rapidly when F increased even at relatively low average values. SSB remains at low levels in most stocks in the North Atlantic but when F is reduced the population can rebuild fairly rapidly as demonstrated by the NAFO Subarea 2 and Div. 3KLMNO stock. However, it remains to be seen whether the SSB will improve to former levels for this stock. From the experience of Greenland halibut it was clear that other species that live much longer, grow slower and have a lower reproductive potential will be much more sensitive to F, even at much lower values. Any stock rebuilding will take much longer, if it occurs at all.

## SESSION 3. DEEP-WATER FISHERIES; IMPACTS ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT

The session, chaired by M. Clark opened with his invited paper describing the deepwater trawl fishery for orange roughy on seamounts off New Zealand. It was shown that seamount habitat could be severely affected by bottom trawling, with extensive removal of coral cover. Another paper showed that the large reefs of *Lophelia* off the Norwegian coast are also vulnerable to bottom trawling. Management action has been taken to close 19 seamounts around New Zealand, and to prohibit trawling in several areas of reef habitat off the Norwegian coast.

A paper described the distribution of deepwater fish and fisheries throughout the ICES area, which was then followed by a paper presenting and discussing options for their assessment and management. This included data requirements, possible stock assessment models and approaches, and management measures. Strong decreases in

catch levels and CPUE in several fisheries highlight the need for immediate management action to limit catches. ICES area boundaries also need to be revised for deep-water species, as they are not consistent with bathymetry or water masses in some areas. Several are also very large, which does not recognize the small spatial scales often necessary to monitor some of these deepwater fisheries to prevent serial depletion of populations/stocks.

Biological data were presented for several deepwater species off Ireland that further advocated a cautious approach to fishery development. Estimates of population replacement rates for deepwater species were much lower than for some shelf species.

In a paper reviewing the track record of stock assessment and fishery performance of several deepwater species, the possibility of episodic recruitment in fish like orange roughy was raised. Long periods of low recruitment between strong pulses adds a challenge to develop appropriate population models, and increases the complexity of estimating sustainable annual yields.

An account was presented of the biology and fishery for the deepwater prawn *Aristeus antennatus* in the western Mediterranean Sea. Established fishing grounds could be extended into deeper waters, but care is required to establish migration and life-history links between the areas.

#### **SESSION 4. BIOLOGY AND LIFE HISTORY**

The first paper in this session, chaired by J. D. M. Gordon, presented the results of a study of the predator prey relationships of a small, isolated deep-water fish assemblage in the Skagerrak. The food web showed quite clearly the links between the demersal fish and their pelagic prey that appears to be a common feature of the exploited deep-water fishes. A paper on the trophic ecology of the blue whiting in the northeastern Atlantic described the diet and the degree of overlap both within different length classes of the species and also between other pelagics. The role of this species in providing a food source for deep-sea fishes and in transporting the products of the rich plankton blooms of Nordic Seas to the northeastern Atlantic was indicated. How the products of surface production might reach the deeper waters was one of the aspects discussed in a paper on the deep-scattering layers of the Baja California, Mexico.

A study of the behaviour of deep-water fishes in nine habitats observed in the Bay of Biscay using a manned submersible showed that some species were more flexile than others in their choice of habitat. A multivariate analysis of the numerous observed parameters grouped the species in to a number of assemblages associated with one or more habitat types.

Four papers dealt with aspects of the biology of the deep-water witch flounder (*Glyptocephalus cynoglossus*), the deep-water sharks, the blue hake (*Antimora rostrata*) and the roughhead grenadier (*Macrourus berglax*). These four papers, covering a wide range of taxa exemplified some of the many of the characteristics of deep-water species such as slow growth, high age at first maturity, non-seasonal reproduction and missing stages in the life cycle.

## **SESSION 5. REDFISH**

This session was chaired by D. Power and comprised three oral presentations and three posters dealing with various aspects of the biology, ecology and population structure of various species of redfish from the North Atlantic based on both commercial fisheries and fishery-independent surveys.

The three oral presentations covered a variety of topics. The first was a paper on the stock structure and ecology of *S. mentella* and suggested that only a single stock exists in the Irminger Sea. The second paper presented an age validation for *S. mentella* in NAFO Div. 3M and suggested density-dependent growth may be occurring for the 1990 year-class. The final paper provided Norwegian information from a long-line and gillnet fishery for the 'giant' *S. marinus* conducted along the Reykjanes Ridge. The data suggested CPUE declined by 27-85% between 1996 and 1997 before the fishery ceased due to a decline in its economic viability.

The session discussion focused on the population structure and migrations of *S. mentella* in the Irminger Sea. There was no general consensus amongst the participants on whether there were one stock or three.

## **SESSION 6. FISHERIES ECOLOGY**

This session, chaired by J.D.M. Gordon opened with a paper on uncertainties in the age estimation of *Coryphaenoides rupestris* (roundnose grenadier) caused by the removal of the accumulated biomass of older fish at the start of the fishery. Another paper, also utilizing otoliths, described a preliminary attempt to use otolith microchemistry to test the hypothesis that there is only one stock of *Aphanopus carbo* (black scabbardfish) in the North East Atlantic.

A paper describing studies on the distribution growth and exploitation of *Argentina silus* (greater silver smelt) in Norwegian Sea during the early 1980s was followed by a presentation on some of the results of acoustic surveys in the early 1990s. At the start of the fishery this species was managed by TAC but this has now changed to a control of effort by licensing. A paper on the size structure and production of ten demersal species off the Canadian shelf demonstrated the importance of predation as a link between the species in the community and the importance of life history parameters in determining dominance. The deep-bathyal, oligotrophic ecosystem of the western Mediterranean is co-dominated by fish and decapod crustacea. A paper described an analysis of the intensity of faunal change in relation to size and depth using material from two surveys to the southwest of the Balearic Islands.

In the summing up it was noted that otolith collections could be an important record of past history both for age composition and stock identification and should be archived. The Mediterranean, although sharing many of the same deep-water fish species of the Atlantic, is a very different ecosystem (e.g. high temperature, oligotrophic) and the maximum size of many species tends to be smaller. Comparative studies between the Mediterranean and the Atlantic could yield useful insights into processes in the deep-sea.

#### POSTER SESSION

A total of 64 posters, including the five that were associated with short presentations, were on display throughout the symposium and there was a lunchtime viewing session where the authors were present to answer questions.

## SUMMING UP AND DISCUSSION

W. B. Brodie invited each of the chairs of the six sessions to present an overview of their session and to highlight what they considered to be the key results and concerns. The session specific outputs from these summaries have been incorporated in the report of each session described above.

In the general discussion it was considered that the emerging deep-water fisheries could learn from the experience in managing some of the longer established fisheries such as Greenland halibut and redfish. The 2001 report of the ICES Working Group on the Biology and Assessment of Deep-sea Fishery Resources had, at the request of NEAFC, made a first attempt at ranking life history characteristics of deep-water fish in relation to these two species. A recurring theme in many papers had been the fact that the current ICES Sub-areas and Divisions are, in many instances, unsuitable in terms of bathymetry and water masses for reporting information on deep-water species. Given the high discard rates and likely high mortality of escapees in trawl fisheries it was considered to be important to report catch and not simply landings. There is increasing public awareness about the impact of fishing activities on the deep-water ecosystem and the conservation of deep-water coral reefs and seamounts were good examples of how there should be wider involvement in the decision making process. The importance of the use of non-invasive technology for studies in the deep-sea, such as the plans for further exploration of the Bear Seamount, is an area that should be given greater priority.

### CONCLUSION

The Chairman of the NAFO Scientific Council thanked the host country and ICES and CSIRO, for their support in making the Symposium possible. He also thanked the co-conveners for organizing such an interesting and varied collection of papers and posters and the session chairs for helping the meeting to run smoothly. The day-to-day organization had been difficult because some speakers, including one of the co-conveners, had been unable to attend the meeting. The efforts of the Secretariat in coping with these changes were gratefully acknowledged. It is intended to publish a selection of the papers in the *Journal of Northwest Atlantic Fishery Science* within a target time frame of one year.

## SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE\*

# WEDNESDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER 2001

0800-0830 Registration

0830-0900 Introduction

# SESSION 1. DEEPWATER FISHERIES (PART 1)

Chair: J. A. Koslow

Time	Paper No.	Author(s) and Title
0900-0930	1.1	<b>Invited paper</b> : KOSLOW, J. A., B. RICHER DE FORGES, and K. GOWLETT-HOLMES. Biodiversity and conservation in the deep sea: the impact of deepwater fisheries.
0930-0950	1.2	MOORE, J. A., M. VECCHIONE, K. E. HATEL, B. B. COLLETTE, J. K. GABRAITH, R. GIBBONS, M. TURNIPSEED, M. SOUTHWORTH, and E. WATKINS. Biodiversity of Bear seamount, New England seamount chain: results of exploratory trawling.
0950-1010	1.3	PEREZ, J. A. A., R. WAHRLICH, P. R. PEZZUTO, P. R. SCHWINGEL, F. R. A. LOPES, and M. RODRIGUES-RIBEIRO. Deep-sea fishery off southern Brazil: recent trends of the Brazilian fishing industry.
1010-1030	1.4	POWELL, S. M., R. L. HAEDRICH, and J. D. MCEACHRAN. The deep-sea fish fauna of the northern Gulf of Mexico. (read by title)
1030 - 1100		Break
1100-1120	1.5	LORANCE, P., F. UIBLEIN, and R. C. EGUIA. Distribution and density of carnivorous fish species around Lanzarote and Fuerteventura, Canary Islands.
1120-1140	1.6	DURAN MUÑOZ, P., E. ROMÁN MARCOTE. The Spanish multi-species deep-sea fishery at Hatton Bank (North East Atlantic): 1996-2000.
1140-1200	1.7	KULKA, D., D. T. THEMELIS, and R. G. HALLIDAY. Distribution and biology of orange roughy ( <i>Hoplostethus atlanticus</i> Collette 1889) in Canadian waters.
1200-1330		Lunch
		SESSION 2. GREENLAND HALIBUT
Chair: W. ]	R. Bower	ing
1330-1350	1.8	HØINES, Å. S., and K. KORSBREKKE. Variation in population structure of Northeast Arctic Greenland halibut <i>(Reinhardtius hippoglossoides)</i> based on data from Norwegian surveys in the period 1992-2000.
1410-1430	1.9	SIMONSEN, C. S., and M. A. TREBLE. Tagging mortality of Greenland halibut.
1430-1450	1.10	HUSE, I., and T. JOHANSEN. Trends in growth parameters analyzed in the light of selection responses to the exploitation of Greenland halibut.
1450-1530	I	Break
1530-1550	1.11	JUNQUERA, S., E. ROMÁN, J. MORGAN, M. SAINZA, and G. RAMILO. Time scale of ovarian maturation in Greenland halibut.

\* The list of documents and the sequence of presentations may have changed during the symposium

Paper Time Author(s) and Title No. MORGAN, M. J., W. R. BOWERING, A. C. GUNDERSEN, Å HØINES, B. MORIN, O. 1550-1610 1.12 SMIRNOV, and E. HJØRLEIFSSON. Comparative analyses of Greenland halibut (Reinhardtius hippoglossoides) maturation for populations throughout the North Atlantic. 1610-1635 Poster pursuit: POSTER AUTHORS. 5 min. presentations (max. 3 graphics) of Greenland halibut posters P.1 to P.5 (originally offered as oral presentations) 1610-1615 1-P.1 ALBERT, O. T. Northeast Arctic Greenland halibut (Reinhardtius hippoglossoides)

- population structure from nursery to spawning area.
- GUNDERSEN, A. C., O. S. KJESBU, K. H. NEDREAAS, and O. T. ALBERT. Maturity of 1615-1620 1-P.2 northeast Arctic Greenland halibut (Reinhardtius hippoglossoides).
- TUENE, S., A. C. GUNDERSEN, W. EMBLEM, I. FOSSEN, J. BOJE, P. STEINGRUND 1620-1625 1-P.3 and L. H. OFSTAD. Maturation and occurrence of Atresia on oocytes of Greenland halibut (Reinhardtius hippoglossoides, Walbaum).
- 1625-1630 1-P.4 GUNDERSEN, A. C., J. BOJE, O. A. JØRGENSEN, E. HJØRLEIFSSON, C. S. SIMONSEN, I. FOSSEN, L. H. OFSTAD, and H.-J. RÄTZ. Variability in fecundity and total egg production for West Nordic Greenland halibut.
- HØINES, Å. S., and K. KORSBREKKE. Some aspects of a times series of longline catch-1630-1635 1-P.5 per-unit of effort data for Greenland halibut (Reinhardtius hippoglossoides).
- 1635-1700 **Discussion on Greenland halibut**

#### **THURSDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER 2001**

#### SESSION 3. DEEPWATER FISHERIES: IMPACTS, ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT

Chair: M. Clark

0830-0900	2.1	<b>Invited paper</b> : CLARK, M. Deepwater Fisheries and their impact on seamount habitat in New Zealand.
0900-0920	2.2	KOSLOW, J. A., and G. N. TUCK. The boom and bust of deep-sea fisheries: why haven't we done better?
0920-0940	2.3	FOSSÅ, J. H., P. B. MORTENSEN, T. MOLDSKRED, and D. M. FUREVIK. Protection and management of deep-water coral reefs in Norway.
0940-1000	2.4	SARDA, F., J. B. COMPANY, and F. MAYNOU. Deep-sea shrimp <i>Aristeus antennatus</i> ) Risso 1816 in the Catalan Sea: a review and perspectives.
1000-1020	2.5	GORDON, J. D. M., O. A. BERGSTAD, I. FIGUEIREDO, and G. MENEZES. The deep-water fisheries of the ICES Area.
1020-1040		Break
1040-1100	2.6	LARGE, P., C. HAMMER, O. A. BERGSTAD, J. D. M. GORDON, and P. LORANCE. Options for the assessment and management of deep-water species in the ICES area.
1100-1120	2.7	CLARKE, M. W., P. L. CONNOLLY, and C. J. KELLY. A life-history approach to stock

assessment of deepwater fish in the northeast Atlantic.

1120-1330 Poster viewing and lunch

## **SESSION 4. BIOLOGY AND LIFE HISTORY**

Chair: J. D. M. Gordon

Time	Paper No.	Author(s) and Title
1330-1400	2.8	BERGSTAD, O. A., Å. D. WIK, and Ø. HILDRE. Predator-prey relations and food sources of the Skagerrak deep-water fish assemblage.
1400-1420	2.9	BJELLAND, O., T. MONSTAD, and O. A. BERGSTAD. Trophic ecology of blue whiting ( <i>Micromesistius poutassou</i> (Risso), Gadidae).
1420-1440	2.10	UIBLEIN, F., P. LORANCE, and D. LATROUITE. Interspecific comparison of deep-sea fish locomotion behaviour and habitat selection.
1440-1500	2.11	WIGLEY, S E., and J. M. BURNETT. Preliminary estimates of biological and yield characteristics for deep-water witch flounder ( <i>Glyptocephalus cynoglossus</i> ) in the Georges Bank-Southern New England Region.
1500-1520	2.12	CLARKE, M. W., P. L. CONNOLLY, and J. J. BRACKEN. Biology of exploited deep-water sharks west of Ireland and Scotland.
1520-1550		Break
1550-1610	2.13	KULKA, D. W. Distribution and biology of blue hake in Canadian Atlantic waters.
1610-1630	2.14	MURUA, H. Roughhead grenadier ( <i>Macrourus berglax</i> ) biology and population structure in NAFO Divisions 3KLMN.
1630-1650	2.15	ROBINSON, C. J., and J. GOMEZ-GUTIÉRREZ. On the behavior and composition of dense deep scattering layers related <b>b</b> the shelf-break area along the northwest coast of Baja California, Mexico.
1650-1730		Discussion

## FRIDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER 2001

## SESSION 1. DEEPWATER FISHERIES (PART 2)

- Chair: J. D. M. Gordon
- 0900-0930 3.1 **Invited paper**: GORDON, J. D. M. The Rockall Trough, North East Atlantic: an account of the change from one of the best-studied deep-water ecosystems to one that is being subjected to unsustainable fishing activity.
- 0930-0950 3.2 SANTOS, M. N., K. ERZINI, M. B.GASPAR, C. C. MONTEIRO, R. SÁ, L. BENTES, J. M. S. GONÇALVES, P. G. LINO, and J. RIBEIRO. Comparison of long-line and monofilament gill net selectivity for hake (*Merluccius merluccius*) in the Algarve (Southern Portugal).
- 0950-1010 **Discussion**
- 1010-1040 Break

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## SESSION 5. REDFISH

## Chair: D. Power

Time	Paper No.	Author(s) and Title
1040-1100	3.3	SABORIDO-REY, F., D. GARABANA-BARRO, and C. STRANSKY. A review of the population structure and ecology of redfish species in the Irminger Sea and adjacent waters.
1100-1120	3.4	SABORIDO-REY, F. Age and growth of redfish (Sebastes marinus, S. mentella and S. fasciatus) in Flemish Cap (Northwest Atlantic).
1120-1140	3.5	HAREIDE, NR., G. GARNES, and G. LANGEDAL The boom and bust of the Norwegian longline fishery for redfish ( <i>Sebastes marinus</i> 'giant') on the Reykjanes Ridge.
1140-1200		Discussion
1200-1330		Lunch
		SESSION 6. FISHERIES ECOLOGY
Chair: J. D	0. M. Goro	don
1330-1400	3.7	LORANCE. P., F. GARREN, and J. VIGNEAU. Age estimation of the roundnose grenadier ( <i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i> ), effects of uncertainties on ages.
1400-1420	3.8	SWAN, S. C., J. D. M. GORDON, and T. SHIMMIELD. Preliminary investigations on the uses of otolith microchemistry for stock discrimination of the deep-water black scabbardfish ( <i>Aphanopus carbo</i> ) in the North East Atlantic.
1420-1440	3.9	JOHANNESSEN, A., and T. MONSTAD. Distribution, growth and exploitation of greater silver smelt ( <i>Argentina silus</i> ) (Ascanius) in Norwegian waters 1980-1983.
1440-1500	3.10	MONSTAD, T., and A. JOHANNESSEN. Acoustic recordings of greater silver smelt ( <i>Argentina silus</i> ) in Norwegian waters and West of the British Isles, 1989-1994.
1500-1520	3.11	MURILLO, M. N. M. Size structure and production in a demersal fish community.
1520-1550		Break
1550-1610	3.12	MORALES-NIN, B., F. MAYNOU, F.SARDÁ, J. CARTES, J. MORANTA, E. MASSUTÍ, J. COMPANY, G. ROTLA NT, A. BOZZANO, C. STEFANES CU, AND C. LIRÓ. Size influence in zonation patterns in fishes and crustaceans from the deep-water communities of the western Mediterranean.
1610-1630		Discussion
1650-1730		Summing up

## POSTER PRESENTATIONS

# Poster

No.

## Author(s) and Title

P.1. GIL, J., and I. SOBRINO. Studies on reproductive biology of the red (blackspot) seabream (*Pagellus bogaraveo* (Brünnich, 1678)) from the Strait of Gibraltar (ICES IXa/Atlantic South-west of Spain).

Author(s) and Title
GUNDERSEN, A. C., A. K. WOLL, and I. FOSSEN. Spawning of Greenland halibut ( <i>Reinhardtius hippoglossoides</i> ) in East Greenland waters.
BAKAY, YU. I. Results from the analysis of geographical variability in parasite fauna of redfish, <i>Sebastes mentella</i> , from the North Atlantic.
SOPPINO I and I CII. Studies on age determination and growth pattern of the red (blackspot)

- P.4. SOBRINO, I., and J. GIL. Studies on age determination and growth pattern of the red (blackspot) seabream (Pagellus bogaraveo (Brünnich, 1678)) from the Strait of Gibraltar: application to the species migratory pattern.
- VASCONCELOS, P., and N. R. BRAZ. Proximate composition of the deep-sea crab, Chaceon affinis, P.5. from an exploratory fishery off Madeira Island (Portugal - Eastern Central Atlantic).
- P.6. VASCONCELOS, P., and N. R. BRAZ. Meat yield of the deep-sea crab, Chaceon affinis, from an exploratory fishery off Madeira Island (Portugal - Eastern Central Atlantic).
- CARBONELL, A., M. GARCÍA, P. PEREDA, A. ESTEBAN, G. POMAR, M. GAZA, A. TORRES, AND P.7. J. L. PERÉZ GIL. The deepwater red shrimp fishery in the Spanish Mediterranean Sea.
- P.8. MADURELL, T., and J. E. CARTES. Spatio-temporal patterns in a demersal fish assemblage of the Ionian Sea (Eastern Mediterranean).
- PAIS, C., M. E. COSTA, S. OLIM, and T. C. BORGES. Biodiversity as a result of the by-catch from the P.9. commercial trawl fisheries off the southern Portuguese Coast.
- P.10. COSTA, M. E., S. OLIM, C. PAIS, and T. C. BORGES The importance of by-catch from commercial trawl fisheries off the South Coast of Portugal.
- P.11. FOSSEN, I., O. A. JØRGENSEN, and C. GUNDERSEN. Roughhead grenadier (Macrourus berglax) in the waters of East Greenland distribution and biology.
- SOBRINO, I., Y. VILA, F. RAMOS and A. MEDINA. Identification and quantification of the age-P.12. pigment, lipofuscin, in brains of the deep-water rose shrimp Aristeus antennatus (Risso, 1816).
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- P.14. DEMESTRE, M., and J. E. CARTES. Estimating secondary production in the deep-water shrimp Aristeus antennatus in Catalono-Balearic Basin (Western Mediterranean).
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