



# **30<sup>th</sup> NASCO Meeting**

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**EU approach(es) to the management  
of mixed-stock salmon fisheries**

**Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries**



# One EU & twenty-seven Member States

EU: exclusive competence on marine fisheries

Member States: retain shared competence on

- 1. Aquaculture**
- 2. Inland fisheries**

and under some conditions:

- 3. Coastal fisheries within 12 nautical miles**

**→ The EU still has something to say on some aspects**



# What is this presentation about?

*Description of the fisheries*

*Gear*

*Catch*

*Location*

*The approach to their management*



## EU Ireland

*Gear: Draft nets, Snap nets*

*Catch: 2,595 salmon (approximately 7t)*

*Location: Three estuaries:*

*Bangor (Tullaghan Bay) Mixed Stock Fishery (Owenmore and Owenduff rivers) – mean 5Yr catch = 1,423 salmon.*

*Ballinakill (Killary harbour) Mixed Stock Fishery (Erriff and Bundurragha rivers) – mean 5 Yr catch = 402 salmon.*

*Castlemaine Mixed Stock Fishery (Laune, Caragh and Maine rivers) – mean 2 Yr catch = 771 salmon.*



## EU Denmark

*Gear: The only important fishery targeting salmon outside the Baltic Sea is sports fishing in rivers.*

*Catch: Salmon by-catch in other fisheries is less than 100 kg according to the official fishery catch statistics*

*Location: No targeted mixed stock fishery.*



## EU Finland

*Gear: Traditional and semi-commercial netting methods and rods in the main stem fisheries of the River Teno*

*Catch: c. 60-100 metric tonnes (main stem of the Teno, Finland and Norway combined)*

*Location: The main stem fishery of the River Teno is exploiting some 30 tributary populations.*

## EU Sweden (1)

*Gear: four commercial trapnet fisheries*

*-one commercial gill-net fishery. The gill-net fisheries are considered mixed stock fisheries targeting wild and reared salmon*

*Catch: 2007-2011 average catch 2.1 t. Also within the three river systems with releases of reared salmon, the proportion of wild salmon is low (<5%). The five year average salmon catch in these rivers has been 15.6 tonnes in total, but the number of wild salmon below 780 kg.*



## EU Sweden (2)

*Location: The commercial coastal gill-net fishery is a mixed stock fishery. Also within the three river systems with releases of reared salmon there is a mixed stock fishing on wild and reared salmon*





## EU UK (England & Wales)

*Gear, catch and location:*

*Three remaining MSFs subject to phase-out arrangements in England and Wales*

*mean annual catches of salmon (in numbers) in 2007-11 were:*

*Anglian Coast: drift nets – mean catch 5 salmon*

*Severn Estuary: putchers, lave nets and draft nets – mean catch 568 salmon*

*North East Coast: driftnets and T&J nets – mean catch 12,585*



## EU UK (Scotland)

*Gear: fixed engines (coastal nets)*

*Catch: Mean catch taken in mixed-stock fisheries in the last 5 years (2007 – 2011) = 39.6 tonnes.*

*Location: coastlines*



## EU UK (Northern Ireland)

*Gear: draft-, drift-, and bagnets*

*Catch: Mean catch taken in commercial fisheries in the last 5 years (2007 – 2011) = 6.9 tonnes*

*Location: coast and estuaries*



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## QUESTIONS?

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