

Stakeholders Conference

What can Science do to help with the Landing Obligation?

*Working together to increase knowledge about
discards and about the strategies to reduce them*

FAO Headquarters, Rome,

9-10 March 2017

THURSDAY 9th MARCH

Morning Session 9.30-12 Mediterranean Workshop*

9:30	Registration, coffee
10-12*	Mediterranean Workshop
*this WS will continue during Afternoon session II	<p>This workshop will be an open discussion on a number of issues, such as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Brief presentation of Mediterranean Policy Briefs: guidelines for LO implementation in the Med. ✓ What are your general views on the LO? ✓ What is the current status of LO implementation in the Med? ✓ Technical measures to reduce discards: selectivity and spatial management. ✓ How has/will the LO been monitored and enforced at sea and onshore? ✓ How will the unwanted catch be handled onboard and ashore? ✓ How to ensure a successful implementation of the LO and discouraging illegal market of fish below the MCRS. ✓ Communication between Commission, ACs, MS, industry and other stakeholders in relation to LO? ✓ How can research projects such as DiscardLess help in the LO implementation in the Med?

Afternoon Session I: 13:00-16:30

Generic issues raised by a discard ban – What have we learnt?
10-15mn overview presentation + 5-10mn discussion per topic

12:30	Registration for afternoon participants	
13:00	FAO Welcome	tbc
13:15	Introduction and brief overview of research projects DiscardLess MINOUW	Clara Ulrich Marco Constantini

13.35	Is a discard ban good for the ecosystem?	Marie Savina-Rolland
13.55	Avoiding discards through technological changes	Barry O'Neill
14.15	Avoiding discards through tactical changes	Dave Reid
14.35	Coffee	
15:05	Using discards in the value chain	Begoña Pz-Villareal
15:25	Onboard handling	Jónas R. Viðarsson
15:45	Control and effect of a discard ban on scientific data	Lisa Borges / Mark Dickey-Collas
16:05	Can a discard ban be good for the fisheries?	Ayoe Hoff / Katia Frangoudes
16:25	Pause	

Afternoon Session II: Regional Sub-Groups 16.45-18.30

The actual knowledge and remaining knowledge gaps by region will be discussed more in-depth with the scientists in charge. The groups would reflect on e.g. the following questions:

- What are the results more specific for the individual regions and where to get there?
- Are they useful, and to whom?
- What has changed during the last two years?
- What could we achieve together in the next two years?

Evening: Ice Breaker

FRIDAY 10th MARCH

Morning Session 9.00-13:00
Panel Discussions: worldwide perspectives and stories of changes across Regions
30 mn stakeholders sessions moderated by DiscardLess scientists

09:00	Introduction of the day	Clara Ulrich
09:05	Non EU-countries with a history in discards ban	<i>tbc</i>
09:45	Two years on in the landing obligation: Baltic and pelagic fisheries	<i>tbc</i>
10:25	One year on in the landing obligation: Atlantic demersal fisheries	<i>tbc</i>
11:05	Coffee	
11:30	Looking ahead: Mediterranean / small scale fisheries	<i>tbc</i>
12:10	Non EU countries without a discard ban.. yet	<i>tbc</i>
12:40	Summary and future perspectives	Clara Ulrich
12:50	Closing of the conference	<i>tbc</i>