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Fishing on a Postage Stamp

-Dealing with MPA's and Wind @ Sea in Dutch Waters -

Variety in vessel types and sizes



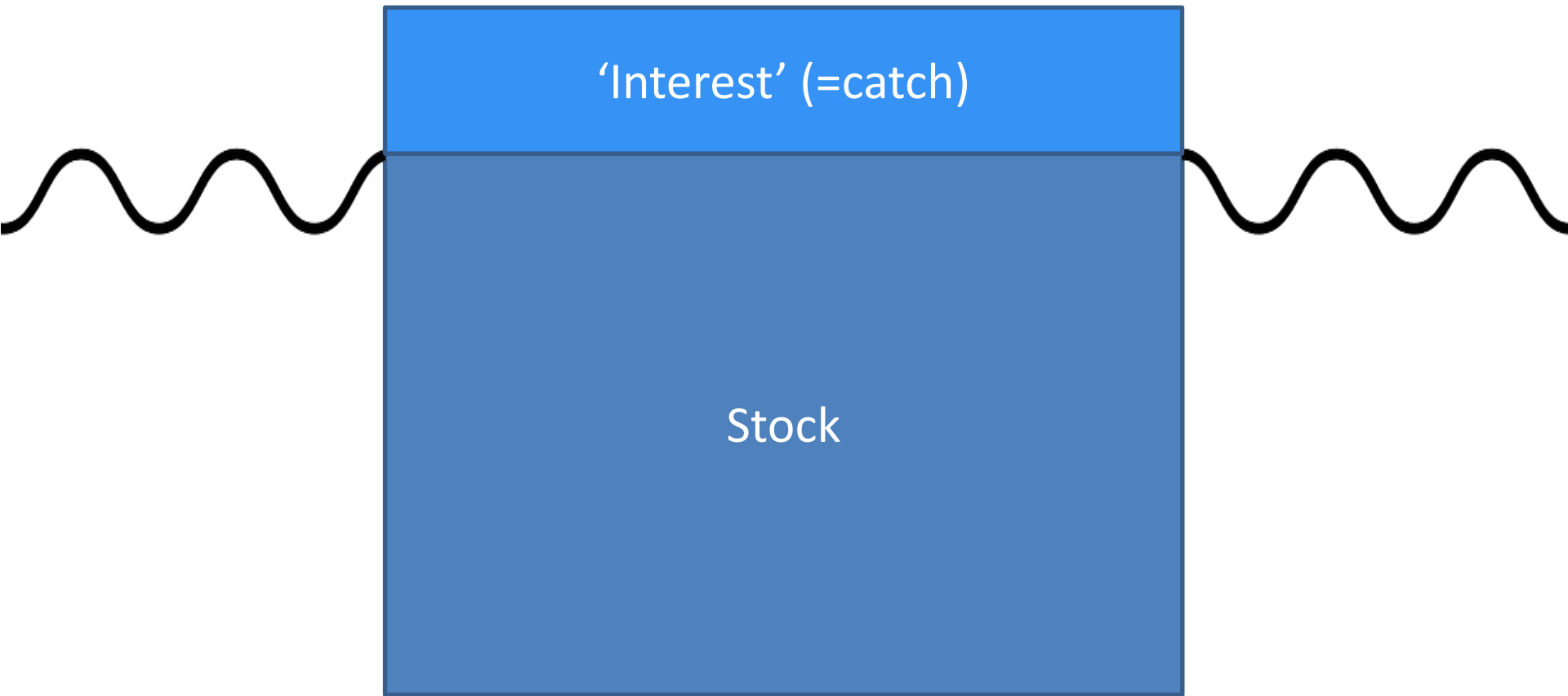
It's about fishermen and their families



Supplying proteins for a growing population



Maximum Sustainable Yield embedded in CFP



Traditional Fishing Grounds North Sea



FMIG Bite Size
Meeting 5 April
2022

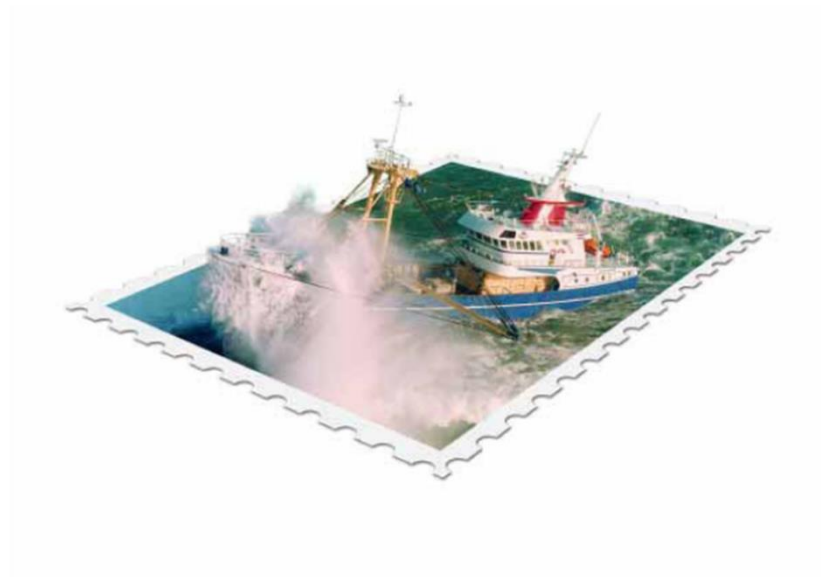


Windenergie op zee

met kabelroutes
van het net op zee



FISHING ON A SQUARE INCH



Spatial Planning Land vs Sea

- The North Sea N2000 Example
 - One European Union
 - Six member states
 - Devolution means three more
 - Subsidiarity vs Regionalisation
- Ex Post Planning at Sea
- Fishing never subject to planning
 - Fishing is not Farming at Sea but Hunting
 - Hunting requires a large hunting area
 - Fish is highly mobile

How to continue? On the square inch?

- Policymakers must make clear choices
 - The WWH question (what where how)
 - Bridge the knowledge gap
 - Displacement is real!
 - Fisherman is stakeholder whose livelihood is at stake
 - Huge impact for individual fishermen
- Fishermen are natural underdogs
 - Must be even footed at the table, not on the menu
- Requires attitude change with ALL parties

How to continue? Around the table

- 2018 Initiative NGO's and Energy and Fishery
- Joint approach with Ministry's Failed
 - Silo's and Time Horizon
- Supported stakeholder/government process
 - NGO's, Wind, Oil & Gas, Ports & Shipping, Fisheries, Ministry's
- North Sea Agreement
 - Long term ToR for Spatial Planning Process
 - Save fishing grounds, move north earlier
 - MPA's capped at 15% until 2030

How to continue? Around the table

- Basic internal difference of opinion in fisheries
 - At the Table or On the Menu
 - Brexit has learned that in the end fishers, their families and communities are bargaining chips
- Fisheries not at the table for 15 crucial months
 - VisNed dissolved, team dismissed
 - Green Deal, Fit for 55 and other processes
 - Renewables development increased

How to continue? Around the table

- And now
 - Fisheries returned at the table
 - Decisions were taken
 - Relations distorted internally
 - Reputation damaged
- Fisheries has a strong case
 - Healthy food sustainably fished
 - Families, Companies, Communities
 - Fishery is appreciated if it puts itself in perspective