



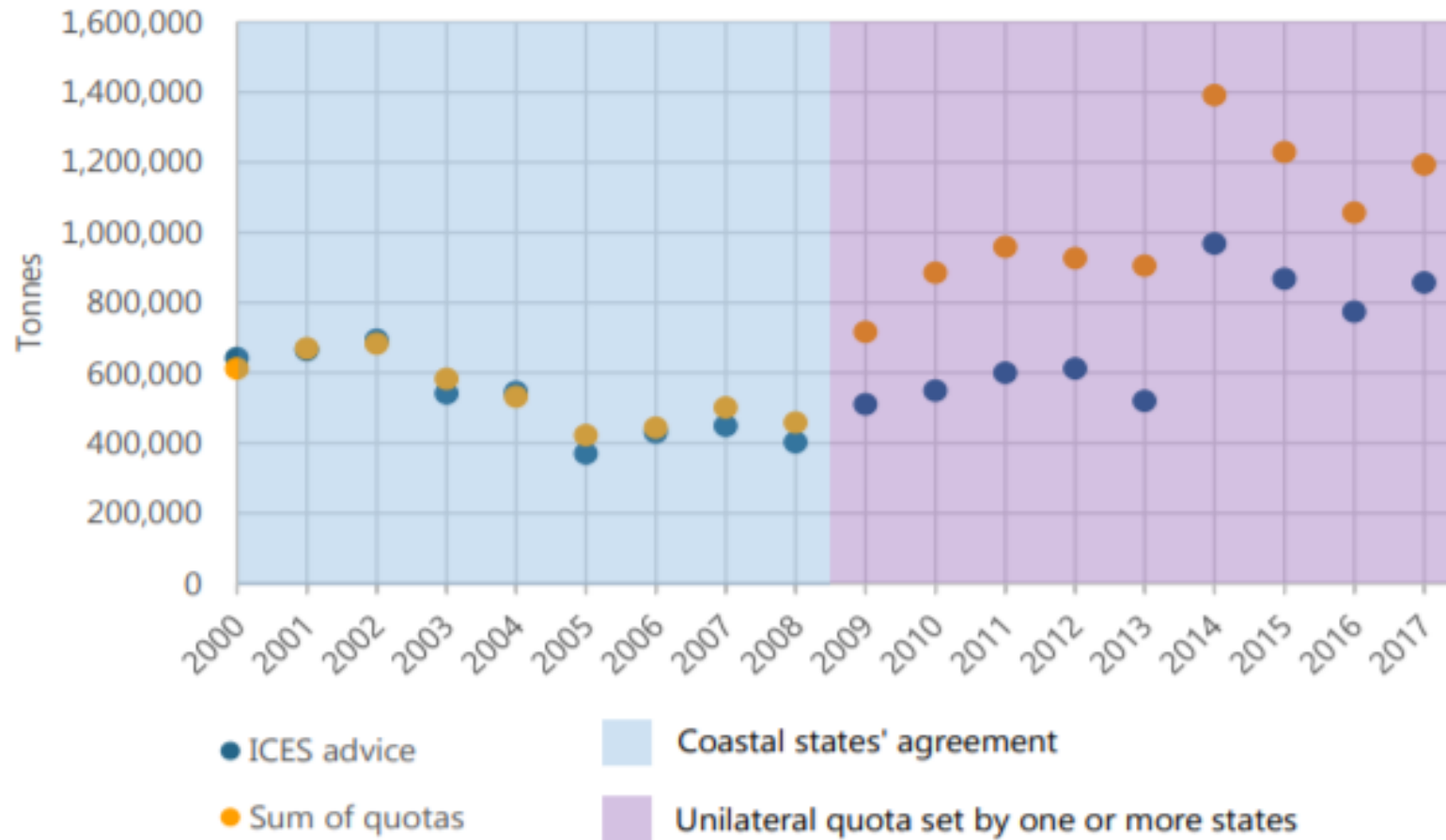
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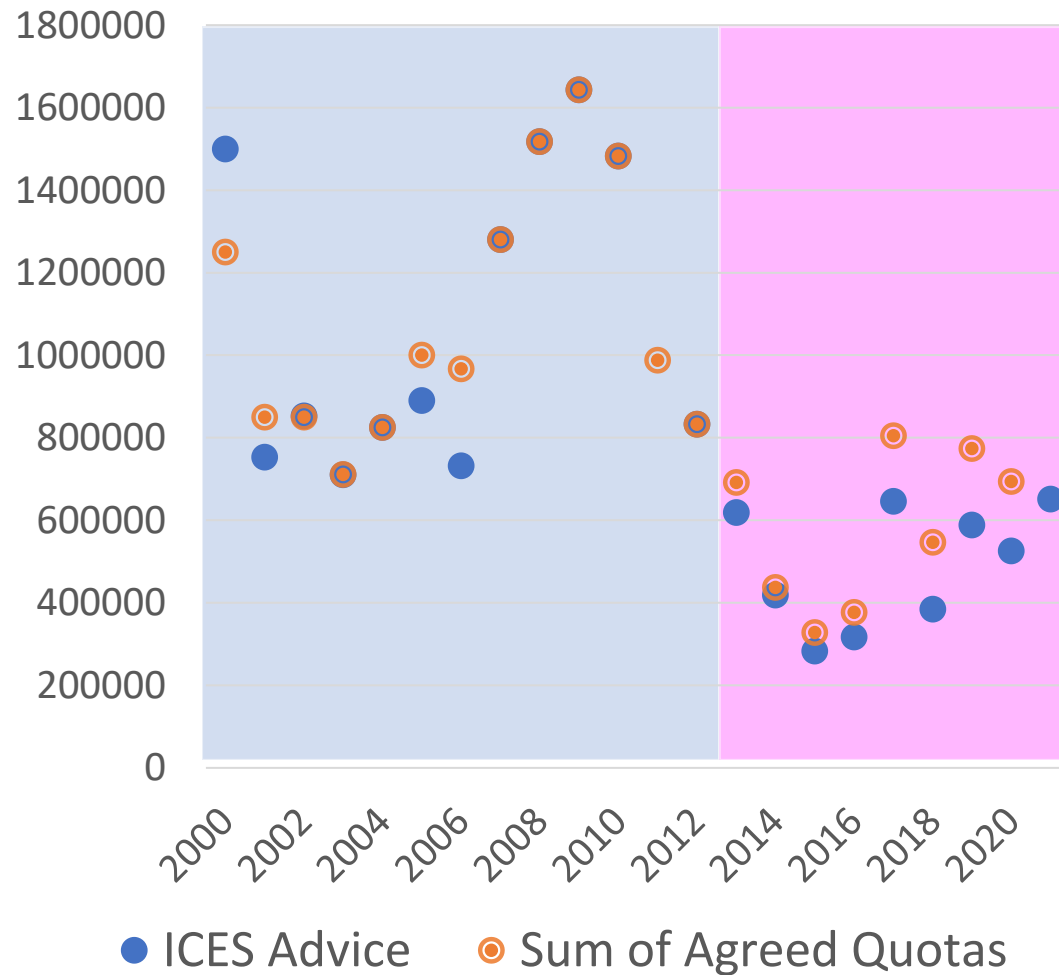
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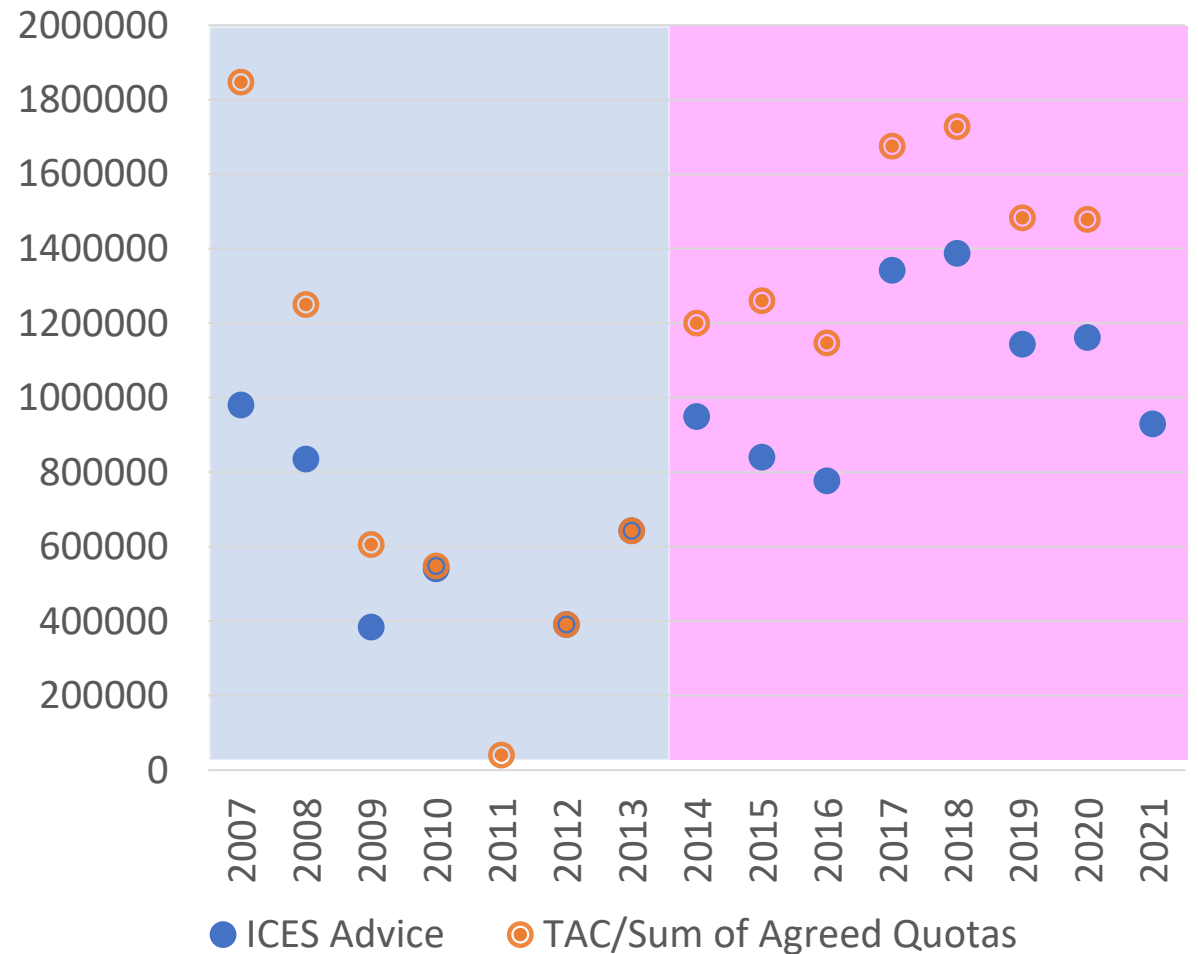
Notes: Where ICES advice was provided as a range, the midpoint has been used. Iceland's unilateral quota of 112,000t added to the 2009 data, as this was not included in the ICES (2017b) data.

What is the Issue?

Herring



Blue Whiting



What is the Issue?

North East Atlantic be MSC-certified

By Madelyn Kearns
February 1, 2019

North East Atlantic mackerel
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Four certificates for fisheries
driven by the revelation that
catches remaining higher than
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Atlantic mackerel stocks in the
fishery had reached a high of
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MSC certificates to be suspended for all Atlanto- Scandic herring, blue whiting fisheries

By Neil Ramsden Dec. 1, 2020 13:47 GMT



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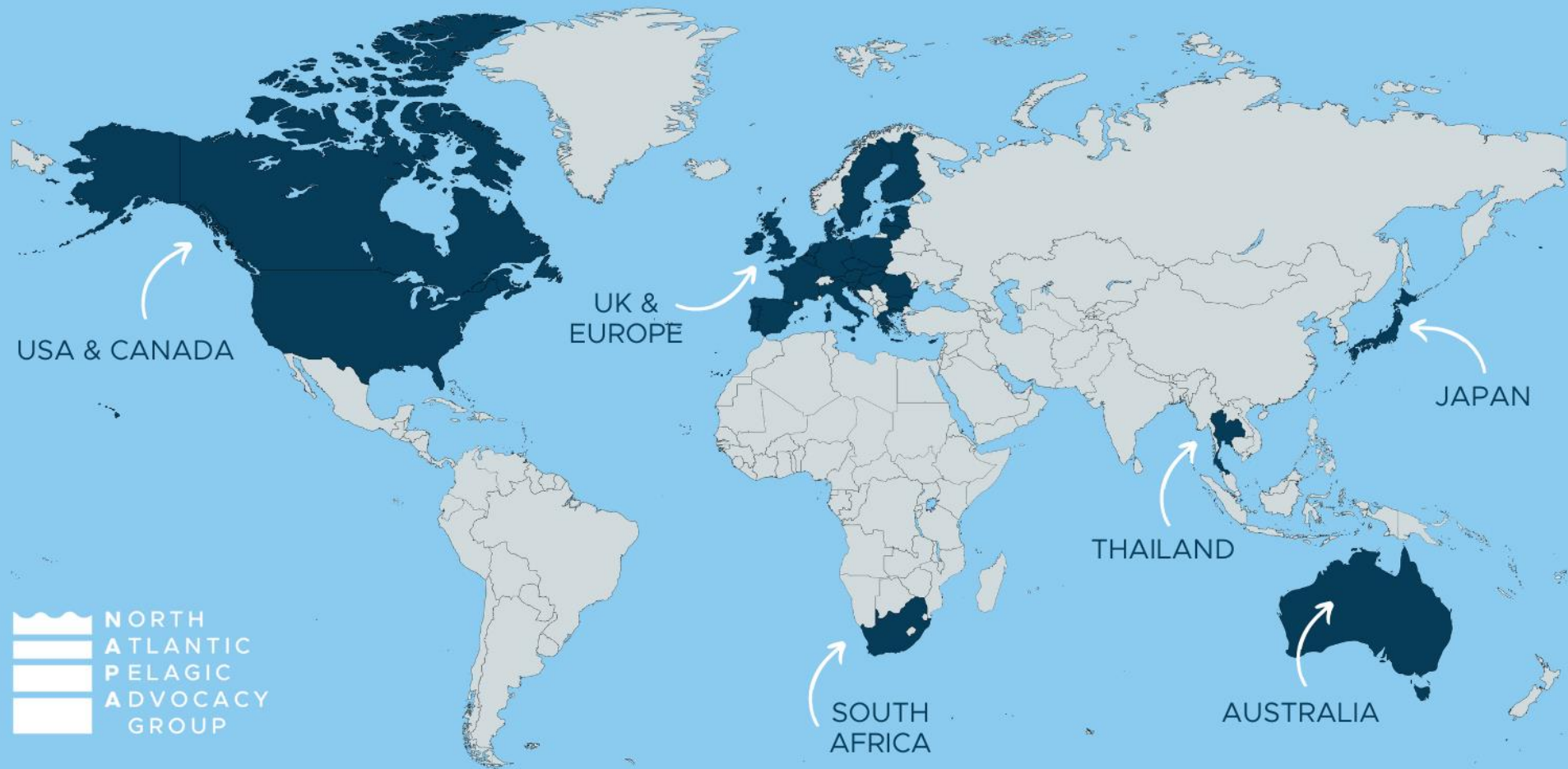


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Trade



Global reach of NAPA membership

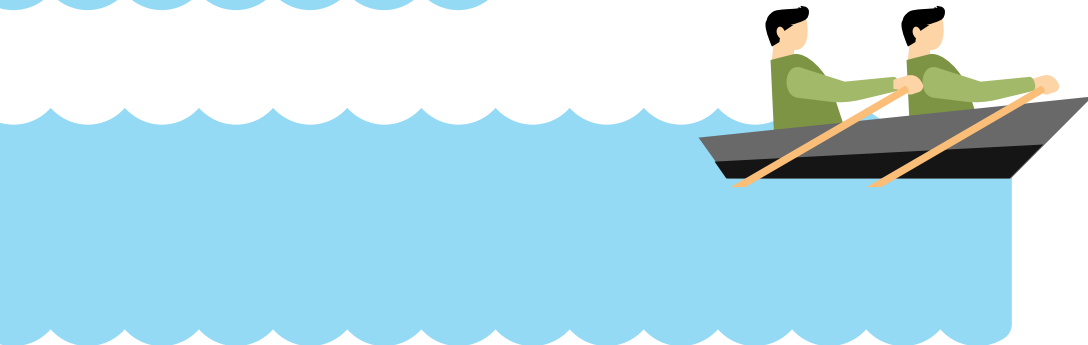


What is NAPA Trying to do?



1. Agree Allocations

Contracting parties should prioritise resolving the allocation issues around these stocks and reestablish the NEAFC WG on Allocation as a first step. Consider a formal dispute resolution mechanism.



2. Follow the Advice

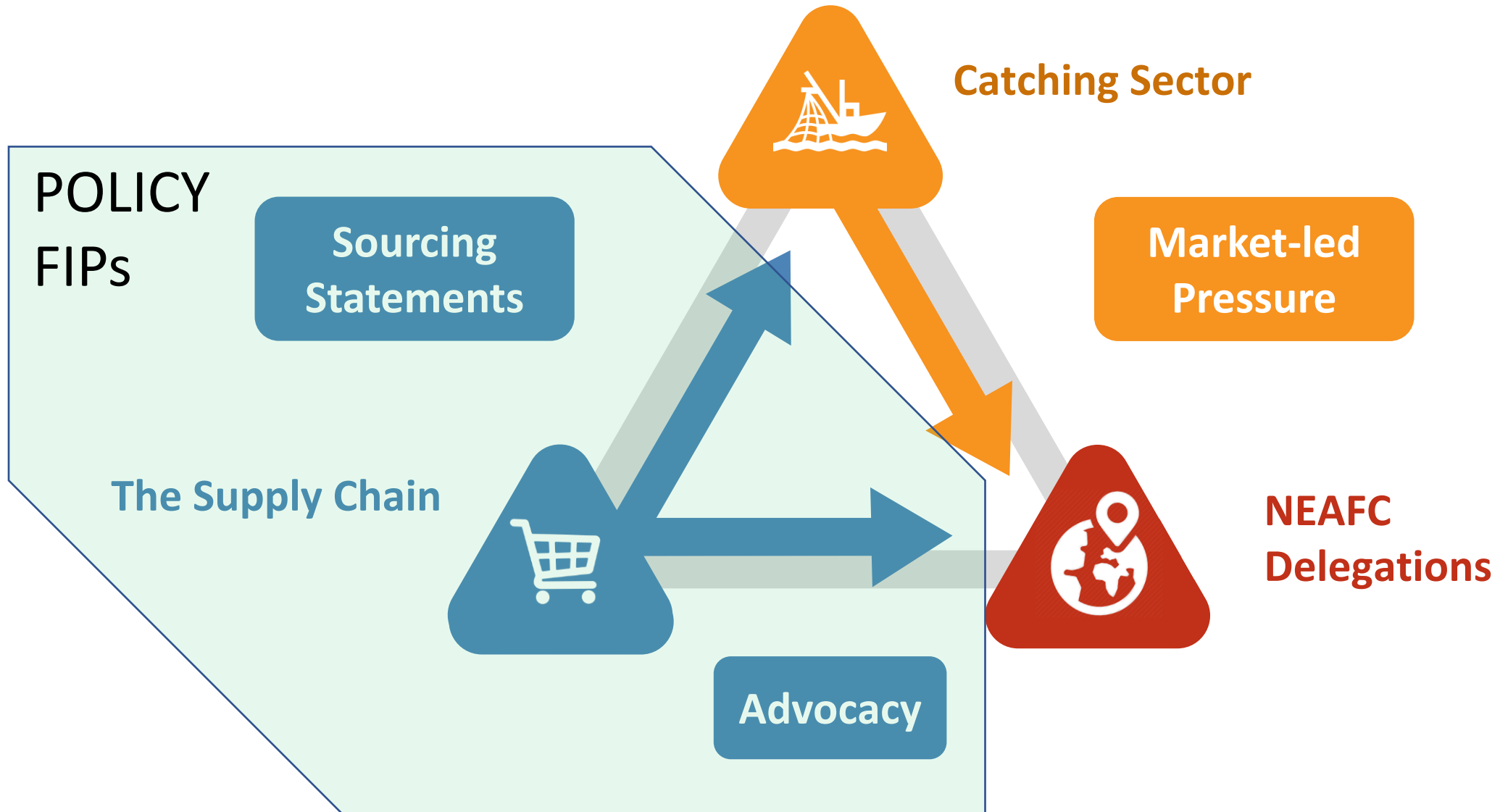
Regarding multilateral NEAFC coastal states negotiations on large pelagic stocks (mackerel, herring and blue whiting), the contracting parties should ensure that the overall catch for each stock does not exceed scientific advice.



3. Commit to long-term Management

Multi-annual management should be the underlying approach by default.. That includes stable sharing arrangements and harvest strategies that include precautionary harvest control rules for setting catch limits, a periodic review process, and any necessary mechanisms to transition from previous arrangements to a new system.

What is our proposed solution?



What have we done in 2022?



1. Policy FIPs
2. Sourcing Statements
3. Position Paper
4. Mackerel Catch Analysis
5. Advocacy

1. Policy FIPs

- Mackerel/AS Herring FIP moved from FisheryProgress.org to standalone NAPA website.
- Social Policy incompatible with policy FIPs – engaging with SEA Alliance to use social risk tool outputs
- Latest progress rating is ‘C’ – adequate progress.
- Blue Whiting FIP passed initial 6-month review, and first annual review.

2. Sourcing Statements

- Our theory of change is to harness the collective commercial leverage of NAPA Partners to incentivize policy shifts.
- NAPA Partners are encouraged to continue to source while improvements are made (under the FIP framework), but should review should improvements not be made.

2. Sourcing Statements

Reduce Sourcing

Lower Price Paid

Business Impacts

Selective Sourcing

Stop Sourcing

Review Sourcing

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3. Position Paper

NAPA position paper – March 22:

- Urgently agree and employ an allocation mechanism for North East Atlantic mackerel, Atlanto-Scandian herring and blue whiting;
- The Coastal States adopt NEAFC Guidelines for Coastal State Consultations in the North East Atlantic in their discussions, and both the Coastal States and NEAFC employ a secondary, compulsory binding dispute settlement system if agreement is not reached;
- Consider a cap on catching in international waters to constrain further overfishing.

After a decade of deadlock, it's time to seek help - NAPA issues position paper

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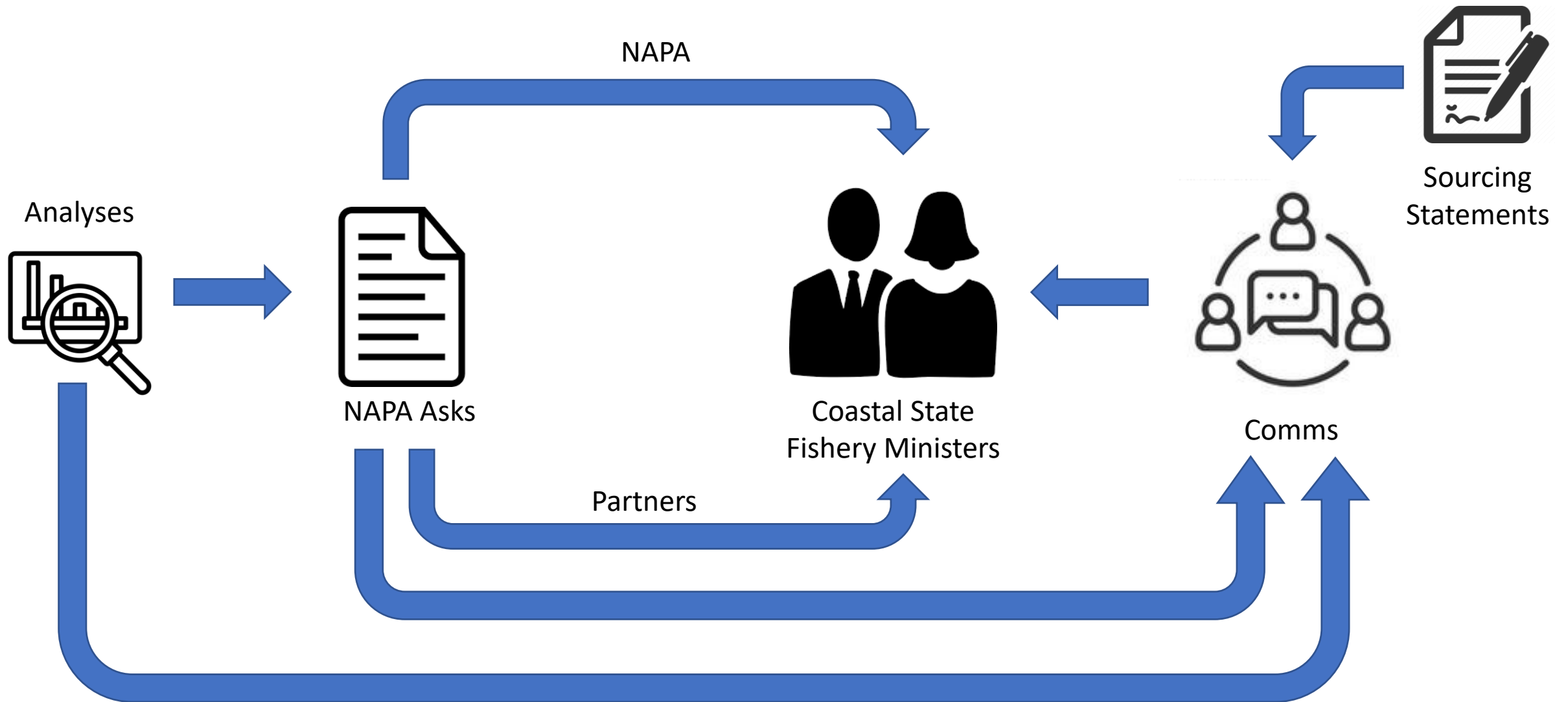


NAPA has released a position paper to resolve the problem of unilateral quota-setting and overfishing in Northeast Atlantic pelagic fisheries

The *North Atlantic Pelagic Advocacy Group* (NAPA) has released a [position paper](#) setting out concrete actions that Coastal States can take to resolve the problem of pervasive unilateral quota-setting and overfishing in Northeast Atlantic

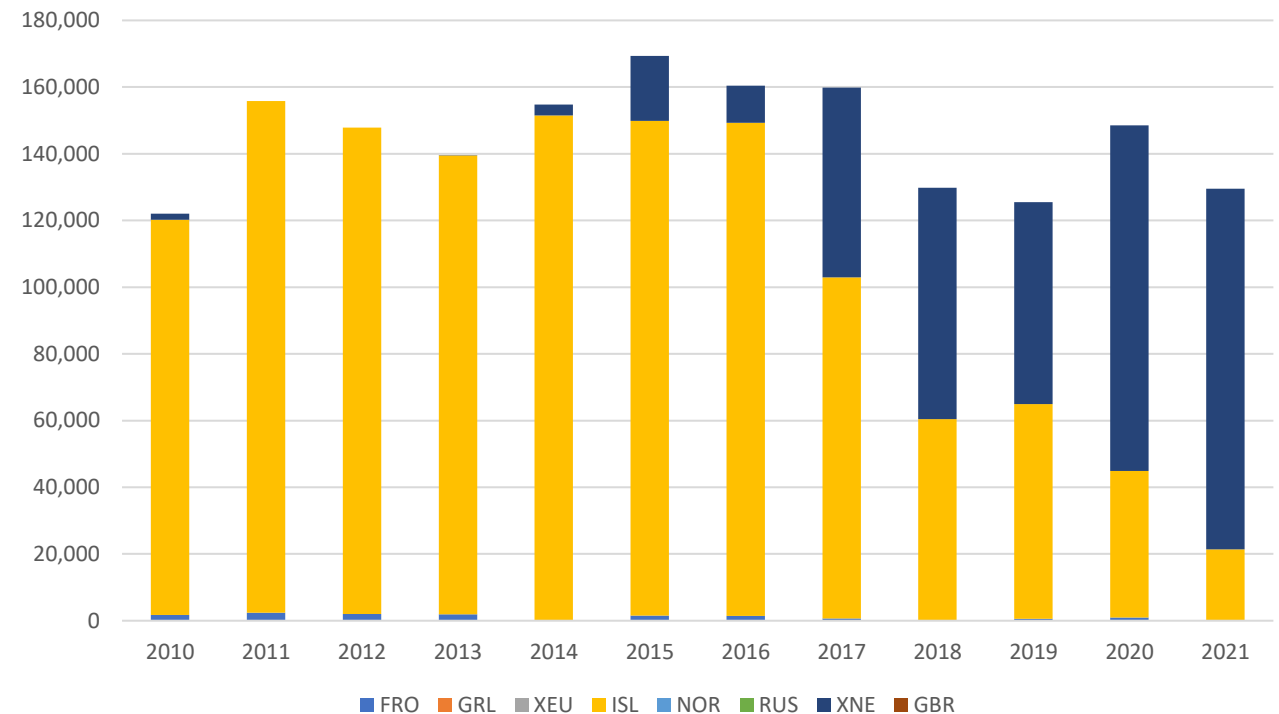
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4. Mackerel Catch Analysis

- Aim is to further inform our “Cap on International Catches” ask
- Preliminary results show that both Greenland & Iceland are catching greater proportion of mackerel in international waters – presumably as stock migrates back east
- NAPA position is now a 20% cap on mackerel catches in international waters.



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Faroe Islands sets its own pelagic quotas despite ongoing discussions with coastal States

The Faroes now joins the EU, UK herring quotas, and the UK and despite the continuing discussion

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Cargill, TripleNine warn of unsustainable 'status quo' as Faroes confirms pelagic quotas


By Undercurrent News May 11, 2022 10:10 BST

Cargill and TripleNine Group have joined the latest calls for a Northeast Atlantic pelagic quota sharing agreement, as a campaign group noted the Faroe Islands has already set its 2022 quotas [...]

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NAPA criticises Faroe Islands for unilaterally setting pelagic quotas

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THE STATUS QUO IS UNSUSTAINABLE, SAYS GLOBAL SUPPLY CHAIN COLLECTIVE



The status quo is unsustainable, says global supply chain collective, as the Faroes adds to the list of coastal states setting pelagic quotas before sharing agreement is reached. Since February of this year, Northeast Atlantic Coastal States (the EU, UK, Norway, Faroes, Iceland, Greenland, and Russia) have met several times to explore solutions to quota sharing disputes for these lucrative and globally-important pelagic stocks – Northeast Atlantic mackerel, Atlantic-Scandinavian herring, and Northwest Atlantic blue whiting. These discussions follow the commitment made by all Coastal States back in October 2021: to ensure that total allowable catches for 2022 will be in line with (and not exceed) the scientific advice for each stock.

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The Faroe Islands have set their own pelagic quotas, despite ongoing discussions with coastal states.

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According to the North Atlantic Ocean Advocacy Group (NAPA), the Faroe Islands' Ministry of Fisheries independently assigned Tasdara and Atlantoscandian herring in 2022, despite ongoing debate among coastal states, confirmed.

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Retailer group notes Chilean jack mackerel taking market share in Europe

By Undercurrent News June 10, 2022 09:47 BST

Supply chain representative group the North Atlantic Pelagic Advocacy Group (NAPA) has written to European politicians to highlight the growing market share being won by Chilean jack mackerel [...]

NEA pelagic buyers look to South American alternative

By Jason Holland
June 10, 2022

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Frustrated with the lack of action to establish sustainable management in the Northeast Atlantic pelagic fisheries, major brands are turning away from the region's mackerel in favor of Chilean jack mackerel, according to the North Atlantic Pelagic Advocacy Group (NAPA).

In an open letter to ministers, calling for governments to fully support the drive for sustainable pelagic fisheries, the coalition of 50-plus businesses – with an EUR 800 million (USD \$99 million) share of Northeast purchasing – warned that “the states to reach a quota sharing in line with the “clear” scientific

NAPA told officials the lack of decisive action on the issues facing these fisheries is putting their communities at risk.

“The unpleasant reality is that, in the absence of any resolution, global processing and retail but to meet their pelagic sourcing requirements from other fisheries. This is not an outcome they consider that the fishing industry deserves better,” the letter stated.

According to NAPA, some major retailers and manufacturers in Europe are starting to source Mac certified sustainable jack mackerel from Chile as an alternative to Northeast Atlantic mackerel, as on the shelves of Migros, Delhaize and Albert Heijn, and products soon to be launched by Gemma

Big brands start to shun European pelagics

May 10, 2022 • Quentin Bates

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Warning as Major Brands look for alternatives to Northeast Atlantic Mackerel

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We're a collective of over 50 international companies with a \$800 million share of Northeast Atlantic pelagic seafood buying. Collectively, we type the North Atlantic Pelagic Advocacy Group (NAPA), a pan-competitive coalition advocating for accountable, science-driven administration of Northeast Atlantic mackerel, Atlantic herring, and Northeast Atlantic blue whiting shares.



the Northeast Atlantic propel major brands to turn to Chilean jack mackerel to overfished Northeast Atlantic mackerel. RE: Open letter from a look to South America for sustainable alternatives to overfished mackerel, highlighting a lack of decisive action towards sustainable pelagic fisheries

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Overfishing of pelagic stocks by Northeast Atlantic Coastal States in 2021



Northeast Atlantic
mackerel



42%

above scientific advice

Atlanto-Scandian
Herring



39%

above scientific advice

Blue whiting

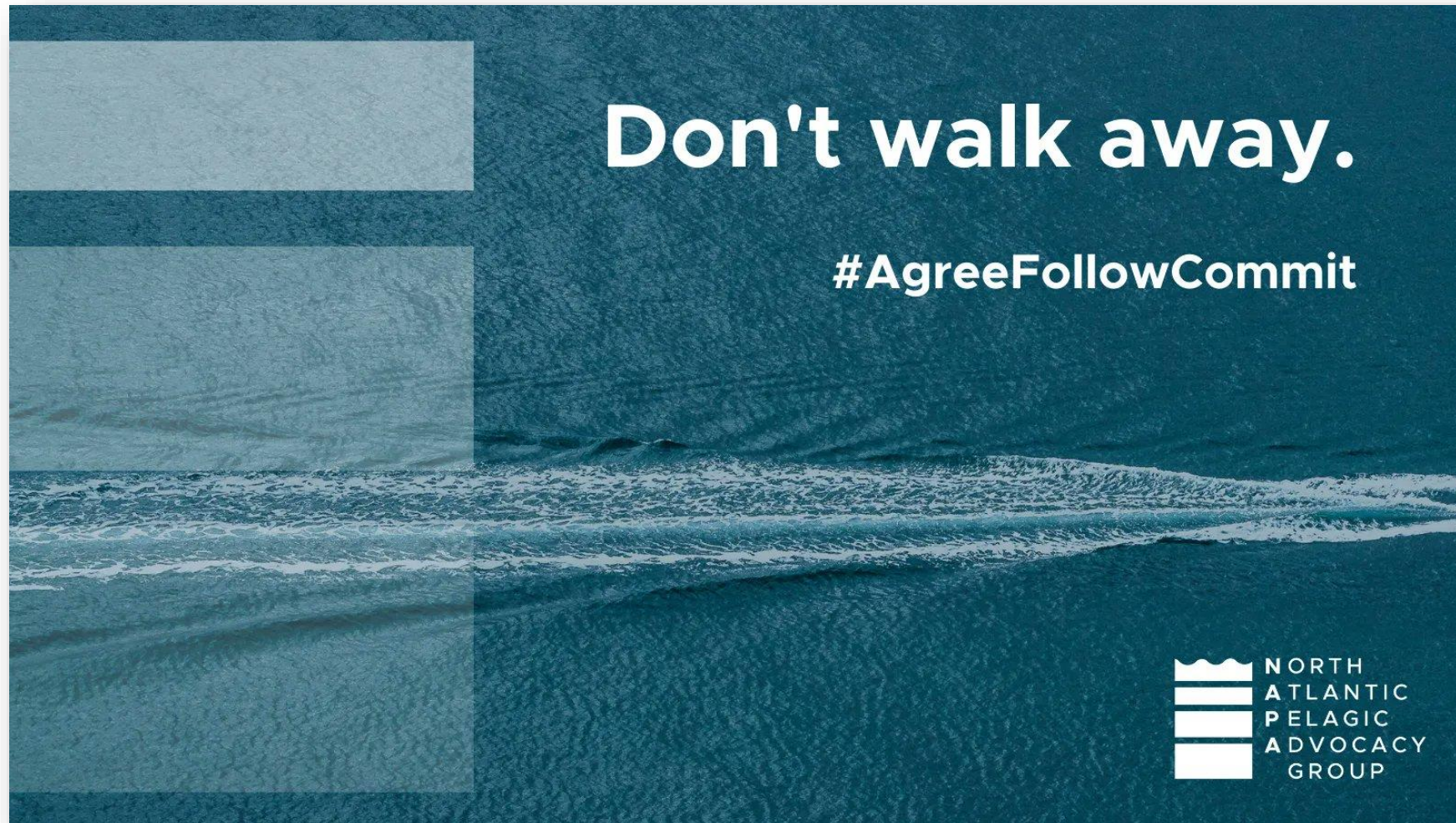


30%

above scientific advice

 = 100,000 tonnes

5. Advocacy



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EU

“Our prime objective is to seek agreement on long-term arrangements on quota-sharing”

“We are facing an immense challenge to make progress and to return to sharing arrangements”

UK

“[We] fully agree on the need for stable and sustainable arrangements on the management of the stocks in question”

“I do hope you will agree that the UK has acted responsibly in setting our own quota.”

Germany

“Unfortunately, the unilateral increases of the respective mackerel shares by Norway and the Faroe Islands at the beginning of 2021 have been a huge step backwards.”

Scotland

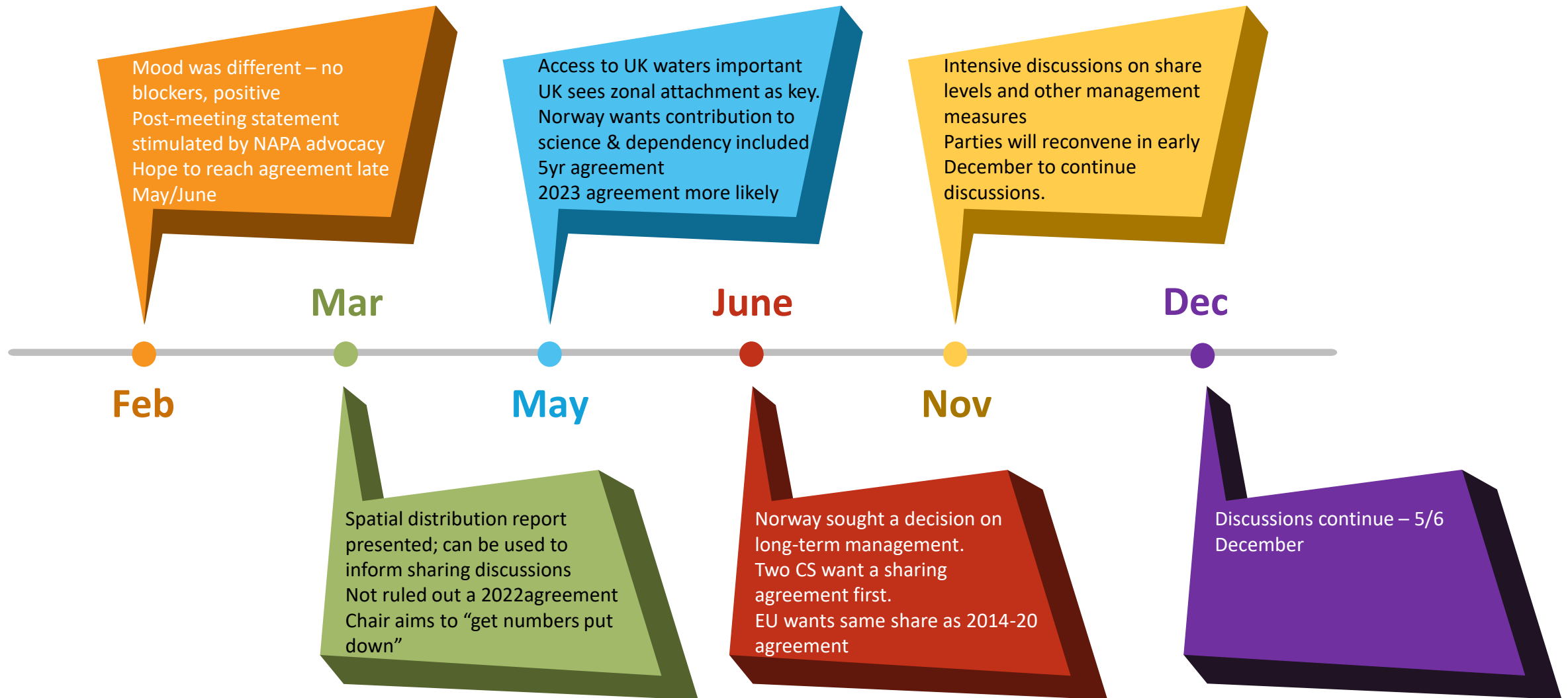
“Agreement on comprehensive sharing arrangements based on robust evidence....is a top priority for Scotland”

“It is possible that discussions on mackerel may continue into next year.”

So, What has Happened?



2022 Mackerel Sharing Discussions



Coastal States Outcomes



Mackerel

- There was broad recognition of the advice from ICES, with most Parties indicating their support for setting the TAC at this level.
- Parties discussed a sharing arrangement. Were constructive talks, with good progress being made in exploring solutions.
- Parties will continue sharing discussions at the start of November before signing any agreed record on a total catch limit.



AS Herring

- Parties agreed to set the TAC for ASH in line with the headline advice from ICES, equating to a TAC of 511,171 tonnes, a - 14.60% decrease compared to 2022.



Blue Whiting

- Parties will reconvene to continue discussions on the TAC for blue whiting over the coming weeks. There are current divergent views on the TAC level, with the UK supporting a TAC constraint principle.



Summary

- In previous years, there has been quick agreement to follow the ICES advice and set a TAC accordingly. This only 'works' if there is a multilateral agreement between all parties.
- This year there has been more debate and discussion.



Mackerel

- A measure for mackerel will be tabled via correspondence once an Agreed Record has been agreed and signed by the Coastal States.



AS Herring

- All Parties expressed a genuine willingness to continue addressing a new quota sharing arrangement and underlined the need to reach a new arrangement for sustainable management
- The delegations agreed that the Parties will meet in January 2023 to address the issue of a quota sharing arrangement for the imminent future.



Blue Whiting

- Measures were adopted for blue whiting in the NEAFC Regulatory Area (international waters) in 2023.
- These measures reflect the outcomes of Coastal State consultations and prevent countries who are not Coastal States or fishing parties to these stocks fishing.



Summary

- Coastal States agreed that total allowable catches for 2023 will be in line with scientific advice for Atlanto-Scandian herring. Discussions on a total allowable catch for North East Atlantic mackerel and blue whiting are ongoing. The agreed records will be uploaded once they are signed.

1. Reaction to mackerel discussions
2. Monitor blue whiting sharing discussions
3. Reaction to AS herring allocation arrangements
4. Revisit options paper recommendations on dispute resolution

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