

Upcoming ICES advisory processes (2024-2025)

20th Meeting of the Jastarnia Group
13-15 March 202



Science for sustainable seas



The ICES advisory process

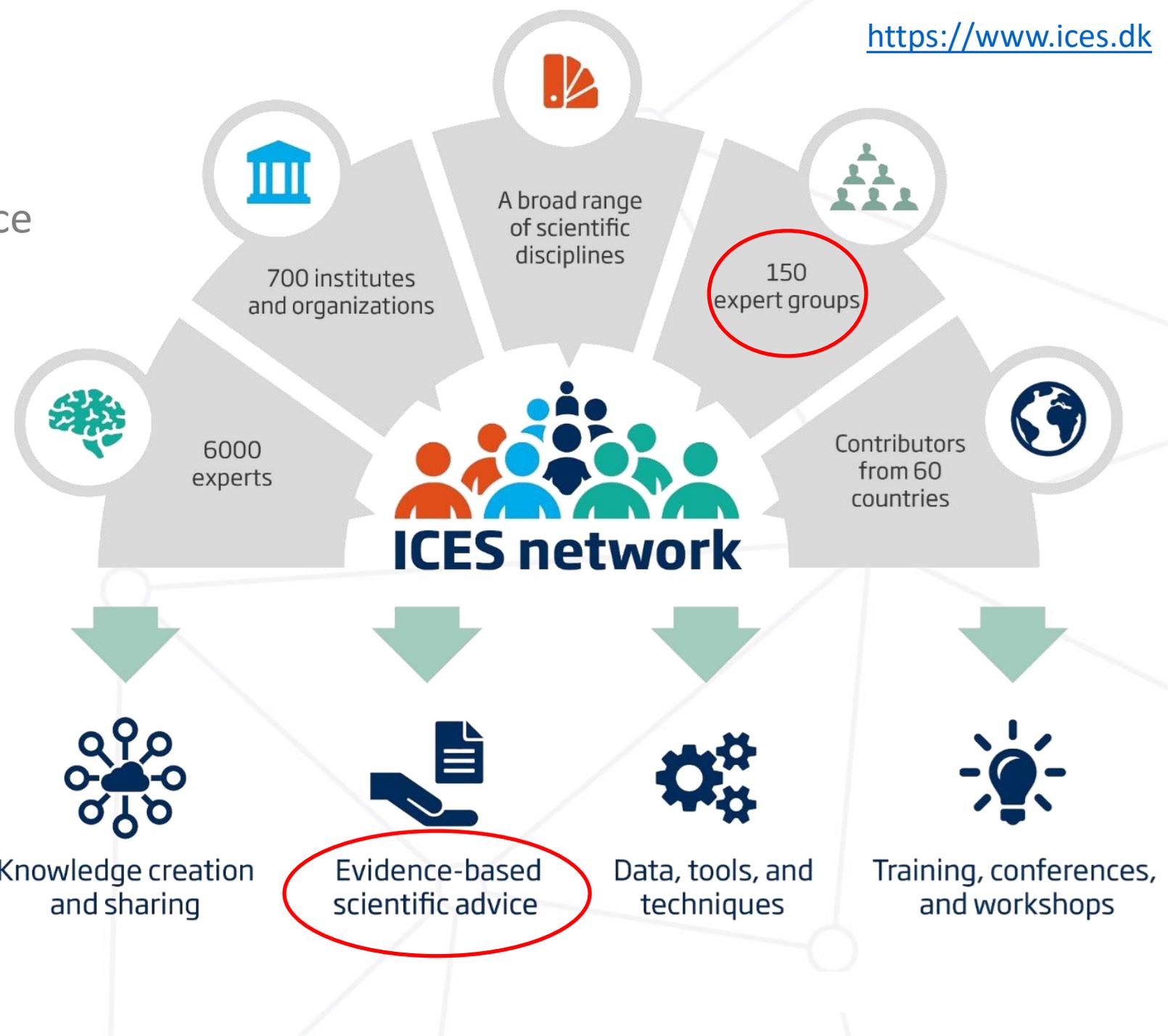


Science for sustainable seas



What is ICES?

Intergovernmental marine science organization



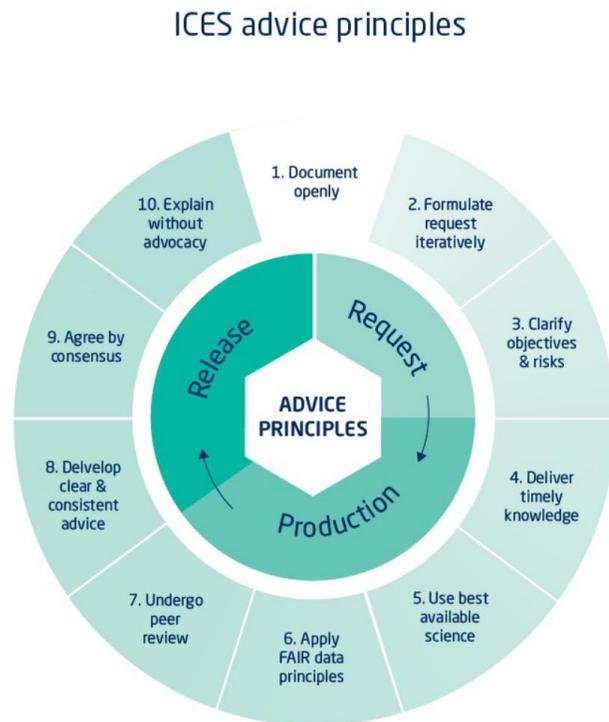
Provision of ICES advice



10 guiding principles

To ensure that advice is based on the best available science and data, and is relevant, pragmatic and operational to the policy or management challenge in question

Need
Managers need evidence to inform their decisions and policy development



Use
Evidence is used to inform and assess consequences of decisions and the development of new policies



Provision of ICES advice



Roadmap for ICES bycatch advice on protected species



1.3 International cooperation

In addition to fishermen's organizations, involvement of regional managers as well as conservation-oriented end users is important, not only to improve data collection, knowledge/information sharing, joint methodology, and indicator development, but also for efficient use of human and financial resources. Therefore, effective cooperation with the following conservation and regional seamanagement organisations should be secured: ACCOBAMS, **ASCOBANS**, GFCM, HELCOM, NAMMCO, NEAFC, OSPAR, RCGs, and other RFMOs and RSCs.



https://www.ices.dk/sites/pub/Publication%20Reports/Advice/2020/2020/Roadmap_ICES_Bycatch_Advice.pdf

Current and upcoming ICES advisory processes (2024-2025)

(relevant to ASCOBANS)



Science for sustainable seas



2024 advisory processes



PETS bycatch monitoring (2021-2024) to EC (DG ENVIRONMENT)

Knowledge basis **WKPETSAMP2-WKPETSAMP3**

- Two workshops in 2023
- Advice to be published on 8 April 2024

Yearly advice to EC (DG MARE)

Knowledge basis **WGBYC**

- WGBYC meets in September 2024
- Advice is published in December 2024

WKPETSAMP 2 & 3

Workshop on appropriate **sampling** schemes for **Protected Endangered and Threatened Species** bycatch

WGBYC

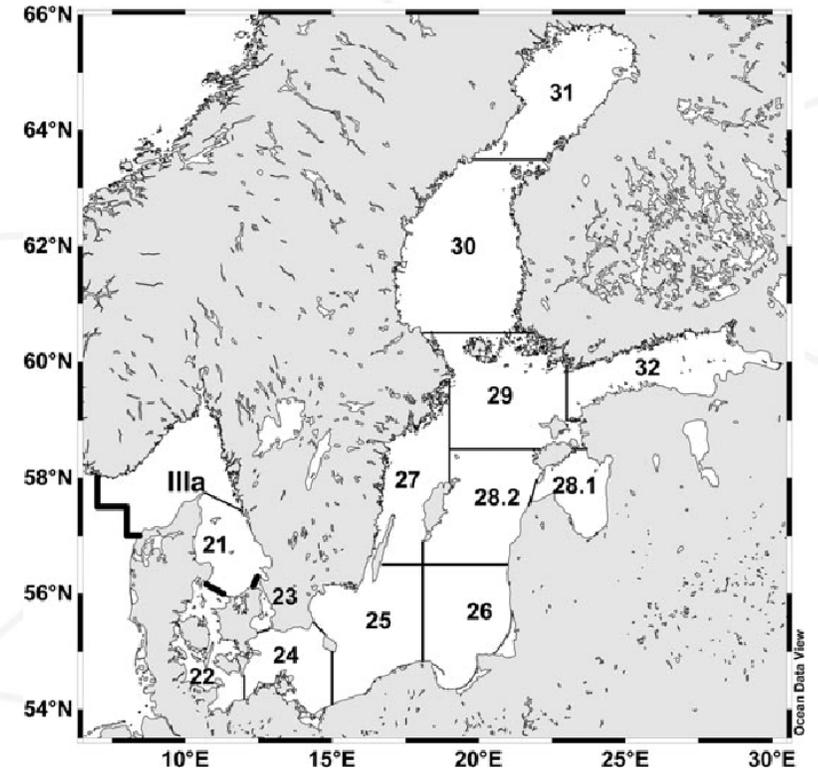
Working **Group** on **Bycatch** of Protected Species

WKSUP



Workshop on Supporting the EU Action Plan to restore marine ecosystems and harbour porpoise in the Baltic proper

- DG MARE Special Request on bycatch risk of harbor porpoise in the Baltic proper
- Workshop on 17-20 June 2024, Copenhagen
- Advice release on 6 December 2024
- Ongoing preparatory work (February – June):
 - Identify the métiers most likely to cause by-catches
 - Map the fishing effort (2021-2022);
 - Map porpoise occurrence
 - Apply ByRA approach (Verutes, G., 2020. [Using GIS and stakeholder involvement to innovate marine mammal bycatch risk assessment in data-limited fisheries](#))



(subdivisions 24-29, 32)

Ongoing discussions with EC

(2024-...)



Alternative mitigation measures for harbour porpoise in the Baltic Sea

- EC / DG ENV
- Tentative timeline 2024-2025
- Format to be agreed with DG ENV



Thank you

ruth.fernandez@ices.dk

lise.cronne@ices.dk

henn.ojaveer@ices.dk



Science for sustainable seas

