



CONSEIL CONSULTATIF POUR
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**NORTH WESTERN
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WORKING GROUP 3 – CHANNEL

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04 March 2026



Meeting etiquette

- Please arrive on time so we can dive straight into the agenda.
- Listen actively: Give speakers your full attention, avoid side conversations or interrupting.
- Create a supportive environment: Be respectful, value diverse opinions and use inclusive language.
- Treat people fairly, promote an integrated way of working and respect the dignity of members at all times.
- Use discretion and respect others. Harassment, bullying, intimidation or discrimination in any form are unacceptable.



Agenda

16:15 – 16:20	1. Welcome and introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome from the Chair• Apologies• Adoption of the agenda• Action points from the last meeting (14 October 2025)
16:20 – 16:25	2. Appointment of the new Working Group 3 Vice Chair
16:25 – 17:05	3. Dialogue with DG MARE – Norman Graham, DG MARE C.5
17:05 – 17:25	4. Discussion on the effects of electromagnetic frequencies (EMF) on flatfish in the framework of the TenneT project - Annemiek Hermans, University of Wageningen
17:25 – 17:30	5. Small-scale Coastal Fisheries issue
17:30 – 17:40	6. NWWAC Work programme overview and planning for Y22 – Secretariat <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Discussion on squid
17:40 – 17:45	7. AOB & Summary of actions agreed and decisions adopted by the Chair

Action points from the last meeting (14 Oct. 2025, Online)

1	WG to follow up on topics of red mullet and lemon sole once more information is available from the NWW Member States Group
2	Secretariat to organise a FG Seabass meeting as soon as new information is available from Ifremer.
3	WG to follow up of the Multi Year Strategy implementation on scallop
4	Secretariat to organise a Focus Group Scallop meeting to discuss progress and potential additional meetings in 2026

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An aerial view of a fishing boat deck. The deck is cluttered with numerous white plastic crates, many of which are filled with brown, flat shellfish, likely scallops. Several orange plastic buckets are also visible, some containing shellfish. The boat's hull is green, and the surrounding water is dark blue with white foam from the boat's wake. A white cabin structure is visible at the top of the frame.

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NWWAC Networking Event Invitation



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h. 18:30



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