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Subject: Data call: Landings, discards, biological sample and effort data from 2013 in support of ICES work for the advice on the stocks in the Baltic Sea and Kattegat (IIIa) by WGBFAS in 2014

Dear reader,

Please find enclosed a document describing the rationale, scope and technical details of this data call.

The data will be used as a basis for ICES advice on fisheries management regarding Baltic Sea and Kattegat fisheries, specifically in the analysis to be conducted by the ICES Baltic Fisheries Assessment Working Group (WGBFAS).

The data requested will be analysed and used only for scientific evaluation of the stock status and advice. For countries which are also EU members this data call is under the DCF regulation ((EC) No 199/2008).

In case of questions please contact the ICES Secretariat (<u>Henrikkn@ices.dk</u>) for clarification.

Sincerely,

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