

# Newsletter 3



Welcome to the 3rd North Sea Fish Newsletter. In this newsletter we look back at what happened in the last couple of months of 2013 and forward to see what 2014 will bring us. Enjoy! The North Sea Fish partnership.



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## North Sea Fish network meeting Breskens: The Taste of Fish

The North Sea Fish partnership organised a network meeting in Breskens, The Netherlands on **Friday October 25 2013**. The network meeting offered a good opportunity to network with representatives of the fishery sector from catch to plate. Several invited speakers offered food for discussion: Mr Wind (Hypsos) presented the plans for the 'fishery experience' in Breskens and Mr Vinke, owner and chef cook of the 2 Michelin star restaurant De Kromme Watergang in Slijkplaat inspired the



audience with the “Taste of Fish”. Flemish colleagues spoke about the valorisation of by-catch. After lunch 3 workshops dealt with specific NSF issues: ‘Fishery communities’, ‘Traceability’ and ‘Linking tourism and fisheries’. Read [more...](#)

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## North Sea Fish project team meeting in Port of Hanstholm

The project team meeting of the NSF partnership took place on September 4-5 in Hanstholm. The 6 North Sea Fish partner representatives visited Hanstholm harbour and discussed among



each other about the transnational output of North Sea Fish and prepared for the next network meeting. A separate meeting was arranged between Mr. Harm Evert Waalkens, Alderman of the Municipality of De Marne, North Sea Fish Lead Partner, Mrs. Lene Kjelgaard, Mayor of Municipality of Thisted and the President of the North Sea Commission Mr. Ole B. Sørensen, discussing items like port development and policy influence on local and national level, regional economics in relation to fishery, innovation and sustainability, and their views on the Common

European Fishery policy. The team also visited the fish auction. The auction uses two large auction halls which are continuously fed with fresh fish in crates. Some crates show the MSC label. Read [more...](#)

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## North Sea Fish presented at The Humber Seafood Summit 2013

In September North Sea Fish project manager Roos Galjaard presented the North Sea Fish project and some first results to a broad audience during the Humber Seafood Summit 2013 which was held on the 18th and 19th of September. The event brought together a panel of respected industry and National Government speakers and delegates from across Europe.

The **North Sea Fish final conference in September 2014** will be organised back to back with next years Humber Seafood Summit, starting with the North Sea Fish conference dinner on the 16th of September, the Conference day on the 17th and the Humber Seafood Summit on the 18th. This promises to become a couple of days worthwhile attending! Read [more..](#)

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## SIF Demonstration on traceability

Traceability is an important issue in sustainability within the fishery sector. The sustainability score is directly dependent on the information of the catch: the fishing area, the fishing technique, levels of bycatch, etc. In an ideal situation, a fish is fully traceable, from catch to plate. North Sea Fish partner ILVO (the Institute for Agricultural and Fisheries Research, based

in Ostend, Belgium) is investigating the possibilities and constraints of a generic standardised system to score sustainable fish on North Sea level. Read [more](#) and download the full report.

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## **NSF meeting on LNG**

The use of gasoil by fisheries is one of the considerable costs. LNG may provide a more sustainable fuel in both environmental as economical terms for future fisheries. To elaborate on this issue, Harlingen, Hanstholm and De Marne organised a session on this issue in the LNG gate terminal in the port of Rotterdam. Read [more...](#)

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## **Next North Sea Fish event**

The next North Sea Fish project team meeting will take place in Ostend on the 19th of February, followed by the final conference of the Interreg IVB NSR project [Foodport](#).

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## **North Atlantic Seafood Forum**

NSF partners the University of Hull and ILVO will attend the [NASF 2014](#) in Bergen, March 4-6, to network and disseminate the first results of North sea Fish.

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## **European Maritime Days 2014**

The North Sea Fish partnership will attend the [European Maritime Days](#) in Bremen: May 19-20 2014.

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More news can be found on the North Sea Fish website.