

Baltic Sea RAC Science Workshop

May 6, 2009

5:00p Welcome remarks

- Reine Johansson, BS RAC Chairman
- Michael Andersen, Danish Fishermen's Association
- Ilan Chabay, Chalmers University, Sweden

5:15 Background of the Work of the Goteborg Center for Public Learning and Understanding of Science: Christian Stöhr, Chalmers University

- Project Update
- What We Have Learned So Far

6:00 Introduction to Consensus Building: Peter Adler, The Keystone Center, USA

- Consensus Building for Science Intensive Policy Issues
- Overview of Strategies and Methods: Question Framing, Joint Fact Finding, and Polling

8:00 Dinner

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9:30a Panel discussion on Biological Assessments and Policy Advice: Moderated by Ilan Chabay and Peter Adler

The objective is to frame the issues from multiple perspectives as specific examples that will be used in the workshop as the basis for understanding ways to improve consensus building in the BS RAC. The focus will be on cod, although the discussion will include the precautionary approach, MSY, uncertainty, for example, to address concerns that go beyond a particular stock.

10.15 Questions, Comments, Discussion

In the discussion, we will explore and characterize aspects of assessment and political advice to gain insight into where there is general agreement and where further work is essential. The workshop will then focus on developing among the

participants greater understanding and experience in the strategies and methods available for improved consensus formation.

11:00 Coffee

11:30 Discussion Continues

1:00p Lunch

2:00 Indicators Based Assessment of Baltic Sea Fish Stocks – Margit Eero and Henn Ojaveer

2:30 Questions, Comments, Discussion: What are the key indicators to be monitored and benchmarked?

3:30 Discussion and Brainstorming: What key data and information will we need over the next several years to help advise on a CFP?

4:00 Summary and Discussion of Next Steps

4:30 Adjourn