

CNO seminar

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Solutions for fishermen to report lost fishing gear



CNO is Nordic network to exchange knowledge and experience about methods and measures to reduce the effects of ghost fishing, littering of the oceans and to increase recycling from commercial and recreational fishing. The network is funded by the Nordic Council of Ministers.

The main purpose of the seminar is to give an introduction into different reporting solutions for lost fishing gear and give an overview of already implemented and functional systems. This to highlight key factors and solutions and make it easier for countries to take elements from existing models to develop or improve their own system.

Place: DTU Aqua, Copenhagen (Lyngby)

Date: 4. June 2019

Time: 11:00 – 17:00

This is a seminar for a limited number of participants from Nordic countries, with the purpose to discuss, learn and exchange experience about reporting systems for commercial and recreational fishing.



The target group for this seminar is people from management of fisheries in national authorities, decision makers and software/map developers.

Marine litter is gaining increasing focus in the Nordic region. Lost fishing gear is such a source, which can cause unfortunate and unnecessary harm to fish, shellfish, seabirds and marine mammals. Experience shows that most countries have major problems with identifying hot spots for lost fishing gear and may need to use considerable resources for mapping these.

Some countries have established reporting systems for loss of fishing gear. This makes it possible to gather information in one place, providing a better overview of the lost gear and reducing the need for hot spot mapping. Such an overview shows accountability and provides opportunities. Opportunities for, among other things, precise and cost-effective clean-up operations as well as measures to avoid losses in the first place.

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Agenda



Opening

Short introduction to the challenge

Nordic countries should be in the forefront (keynote speaker)

- International requirements, national responsibility, solutions and benefits of a reporting system for lost fishing gears.

Nordic tour

- What is the status of your country?

Questions and discussion

Lunch and mingling

Introduction to existing system for commercial fishermen

- The Icelandic system of reporting lost gear
- The Norwegian system of reporting lost gear
- The Swedish system of reporting lost gear
- Others

What's in it for me - questions and discussion

Introduction to existing system for recreational fishermen

- The Norwegian system of reporting and removing lost gear

What's in it for me - questions and discussion

A taste of future

- Could lost fishing gear "report" them self?

Closing