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## **Working Group on the Black Sea (WGBS)**

### **Sub-regional Group on Stock Assessment for the Black Sea**

**Batumi, Georgia, 4 – 9 December 2017**

### **DRAFT AGENDA AND TIMETABLE**

*Working hours: 09:00 - 13:00 14:30 -17:30*

#### **1. Opening session**

- Adoption of the agenda
- Review of previous year conclusions and recommendations, including terms of reference
- Review of Terms of Reference provided by the WGBS and the Commission
- Logistical aspects

#### **2. Changes in the provision of advice in the GFCM**

- GFCM and SAC strategy for the collection of data and provision of advice for priority species
- Subregional and regional indicators on the status of stocks
- Open discussion with the experts

#### **3. Hands on data session on the assessment of priority stocks *(by stock coordinators<sup>1</sup>)***

- Compilation and revision of input data for the assessment
- Revision of last year stock assessment assumptions and decisions on model runs by stock
- Run assessment tests

#### **4. Preparation of advice for main commercial stocks, including turbot and anchovy**

- Presentation and discussion of draft assessments
- Revision of reference points
- Discussion on simulation scenarios and execution of simulation runs

#### **6. Formulation of conclusions, recommendations and draft advice**

#### **7. Closing Session:**

- Date and venue of the next meeting
- Any other matter
- Adoption of the conclusions and recommendations from the meeting

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<sup>1</sup> Turbot (*Feriha Tserkova*); Anchovy (*Ali Cemal Gücü*); Piked dogfish (*Gheorghe Radu*); Sprat (*Violin Raykov*); Horse mackerel (*Maria Yankova*); Red Mullet (*Georgi Daskalov*); Whiting (*Valodia Maximov*); Bonito (*Murat Dagtekin*); Rapa whelk (*Violin Raykov*)