

THE MAREFRAME CO-CREATION APPROACH TO DEBATE AT THE ICES ANNUAL SCIENCE CONFERENCE 2014- SUSTAINABILITY IN A CHANGING OCEAN.

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The CETMAR has presented the MareFrame co-creation approach as an alternative to address the challenges of the Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management in the ICES Annual Science Conference (ASC).

The ASC is a forum for the international community of marine scientists, professionals and students. The theme of this year “Sustainability in a changing ocean” included “sessions on the threats to sustainability posed by climate change and exploitation and their potential effects [...], the application of new techniques to old data to improve our historical knowledge, understanding how ecosystems provide the services we value and how their functioning may be affected by ongoing climate change and increasing human impacts, and sessions on the challenges of developing integrated ecosystem assessments” (ICES ACS Website).

During the Theme Session C “One size does not fit all- what does an integrated ecosystem assessment mean to YOU” the CETMAR presented the co-creation approach, summarizing the preliminary results of its implementation in the MareFrame project. The main goal has been to summarize lessons learnt, barriers and challenges, allowing for a systematic thinking about how this research process may improve both science and policy-making for the ecosystem approach to management.

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