



Maximising Sustainability and Engaging Stakeholders: First Myfish Project Newsletter Now Available

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Read about the progress the **Myfish** project is making in its work to support the goals of the EU's Common Fisheries Policy (CFP) in the first issue of **Myfish Project News**, which is now available to download from the project's website: www.myfishproject.eu.

The **Myfish** project aims to provide an operational framework for the implementation of the Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY) concept in European waters. Its first newsletter provides an overview of the project's progress so far, including feedback from partners and stakeholders.

Anna Rindorf of DTU Aqua (Denmark) is the project scientific coordinator: "The **Myfish** project is now entering the second of its three phases: i) definition of MSY variants and the models needed to evaluate these; ii) evaluation of the likely ecosystem and economic consequences of aiming for a specific version of MSY and finally, iii) an evaluation of the likely social impact of this decision. Approaching the completion of the first phase, we take this opportunity to report the most significant advances made to date."

This issue also features previews of case studies undertaken by **Myfish** partners, AquaMarine Advisers (Sweden) and Innovative Fisheries Management (Aalborg University, Denmark). The case studies review existing and proposed MSY variants, constraints and management measures outside the EU. Stakeholders from Australia, Alaska and the Faroe Islands were interviewed to investigate various aspects of sound governance from which the EU can potentially learn. Detailed accessible summaries of the case studies are also available on the **Myfish** website.

You can also keep up to date with the progress of **Myfish** by registering to receive regular updates on the "Influence **Myfish**!" page on the project website.

If you would like to arrange an interview with the **Myfish** project team, please contact the Project Coordinator, Anna Rindorf (email: ar@aquu.dtu.dk).

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Notes for Editors

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DTU-Aqua, the Technical University of Denmark - Institute of Aquatic Resources, provides research, education and advice concerning sustainable exploitation of living marine and fresh water resources. DTU-Aqua conducts research in the interactions between the aquatic environment, productivity and variation in fish stocks, methods for fish stock assessment, development of methods for sustainable fisheries management and stock enhancement. The institute conducts the Danish national monitoring on fish and fisheries for the EU. DTU-Aqua has extensive experience in coordinating and managing scientific programmes, including the coordination of EU framework programmes.

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Detailed partner profiles are available on request.