Overlaps of National Reporting and other reporting obligations

- Highlighting streamlining oportunities













COUNTRIES IN ASCOBANS ⊂ HELCOM / OSPAR / ICES

- Belgium
- Denmark
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Lithuania
- Netherlands
- Poland
- Sweden
- United Kingdom



IWG NR Overlaps







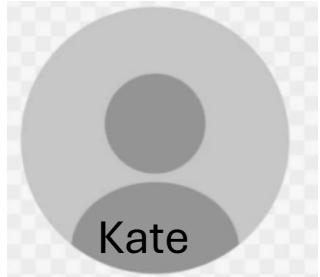
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> "Review overlaps in national reporting with other reporting obligations (e.g. MPAs to EMODNet, noise and bycatch to ICES) and identify if any topics in ASCOBANS National Reports can instead be accessed in such databases to avoid duplication of efforts." (ASCOBANS Resolution 10.2/Rev.1)

IWG NR Overlap members

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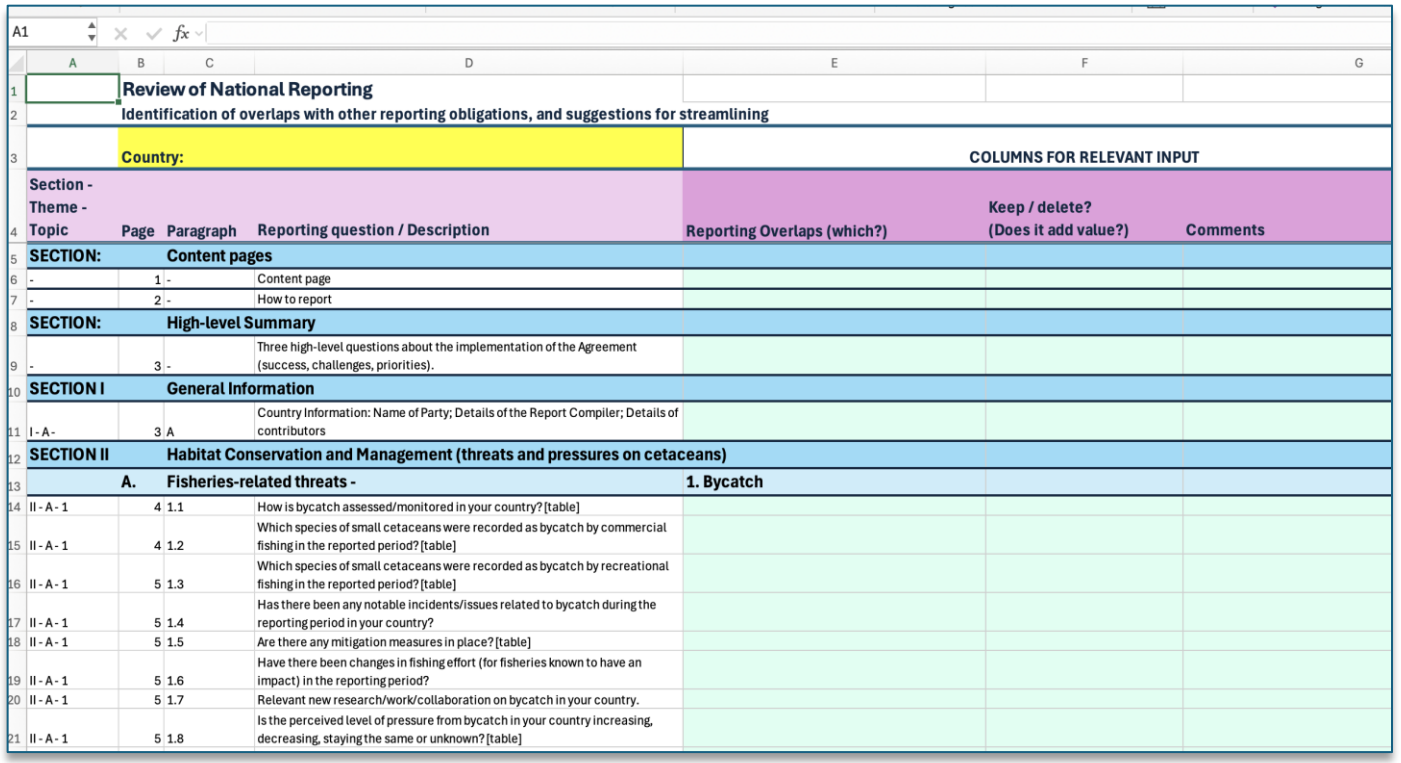
Report + recommendations to AC30



RESPONSES TO REVIEW OVERLAPS (AC29)

7/10 Parties:

Belgium
Denmark
Finland
Germany
Netherlands
Poland
United Kingdom



	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1		Review of National Reporting					
2		Identification of overlaps with other reporting obligations, and suggestions for streamlining					
3		Country:			COLUMNS FOR RELEVANT INPUT		
4	Section - Theme - Topic	Page	Paragraph	Reporting question / Description	Reporting Overlaps (which?)	Keep / delete? (Does it add value?)	Comments
5	SECTION:		Content pages				
6	-	1	-	Content page			
7	-	2	-	How to report			
8	SECTION:		High-level Summary				
9	-	3	-	Three high-level questions about the implementation of the Agreement (success, challenges, priorities).			
10	SECTION I		General Information				
11	I - A -	3	A	Country Information: Name of Party; Details of the Report Compiler; Details of contributors			
12	SECTION II		Habitat Conservation and Management (threats and pressures on cetaceans)				
13		A.	Fisheries-related threats -		1. Bycatch		
14	II - A - 1	4	1.1	How is bycatch assessed/monitored in your country? [table]			
15	II - A - 1	4	1.2	Which species of small cetaceans were recorded as bycatch by commercial fishing in the reported period? [table]			
16	II - A - 1	5	1.3	Which species of small cetaceans were recorded as bycatch by recreational fishing in the reported period? [table]			
17	II - A - 1	5	1.4	Has there been any notable incidents/issues related to bycatch during the reporting period in your country?			
18	II - A - 1	5	1.5	Are there any mitigation measures in place? [table]			
19	II - A - 1	5	1.6	Have there been changes in fishing effort (for fisheries known to have an impact) in the reporting period?			
20	II - A - 1	5	1.7	Relevant new research/work/collaboration on bycatch in your country.			
21	II - A - 1	5	1.8	Is the perceived level of pressure from bycatch in your country increasing, decreasing, staying the same or unknown? [table]			

SUMMARY OF OVERLAPS (1/2)

	Country:		Collected input from BE, DE, DK, FI, NL, PL, and UK	COLLECTED COMMENTS		SUMMARY OF RESPONSES		
Section - Theme - Topic	Page	Paragraph	Reporting question / Description	Reporting Overlaps (which?)	Comments	Identified overlaps to delete/streamline red = delete yellow = change / change+delete	Wishes to maintain reporting Green = keep reporting	Unanimous reponse
SECTION II		Habitat Conservation and Management (threats and pressures on cetaceans)						
	A.	Fisheries-related threats -		1. Bycatch				
II - A - 1	4	1.1	How is bycatch assessed/monitored in your country? [table]	DK: ICES FI: ASCOBANS reporting is used for Helcom Recommendation (harbour porpoise) 17/2 reporting UK: Annual bycatch programme reports	DK:Perhaps question should be to which databases country has uploaded to. If the question is meant to have an explanation of methods, then it should be deleted because this can be found in ICES reports. UK: Could have a report template with e.g. a matrix with standard info - countries to submit an update if anything changes.	DK: Delete/change UK: Keep/Change	DE: Keep PL: Keep	
II - A - 1	4	1.2	Which species of small cetaceans were recorded as bycatch by commercial fishing in the reported period? [table]	DK: ICES FI: ASCOBANS reporting is used for Helcom Recommendation (harbour porpoise) 17/2 reporting DE: ICES NL: IWC, ICES WGBYC UK: Annual bycatch programme reports	NL: There is a deadline issue with ICES WGBYC - bycatch numbers are not allowed to be shared until they have formally been discussed within ICES WGBYC (September). Therefore, reporting them to ASCOBANS in May is inconvenient/tricky UK: Is this level of info useful? Surely we need to understand the level of risk rather than just which individual species were bycaught?	DK: Delete UK: Delete	DE: Keep PL: Keep	
II - A - 1	5	1.3	Which species of small cetaceans were recorded as bycatch by recreational fishing in the reported period? [table]	DK: ICES FI: ASCOBANS reporting is used for Helcom Recommendation (harbour porpoise) 17/2 reporting NL:IWC UK: Annual bycatch programme reports	NL: Should be included in bycatch estimates (ICES WGBYC) PL: In principle, this does not apply to Poland. It is up to other countries to decide. UK: Is this detail used at ASCOBANS level? Do countries have this info? Delete?	DK: Delete UK: Delete	DE: Keep	
				DK: ICES FI: ASCOBANS reporting is used for Helcom Recommendation (harbour porpoise) 17/2 reporting NL:IWC UK: Annual bycatch programme reports	PL: This could be written in section VII where it will be more visible or in final matters UK: See new question below	DK: Delete PL: Delete UK: Delete	DE: Keep	

SUMMARY OF OVERLAPS (2/2)



- Identified overlaps / streamlining oportunities
  - **106 / 148 reporting points**
  - Overlaps include ICES, OSPAR, HELCOM; Habitats Directive reporting, IWC, MSFD,

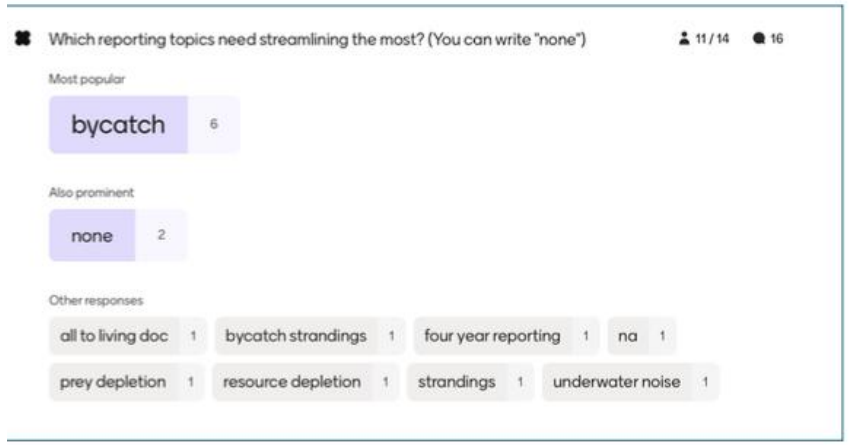
- Wishes to maintain current reporting
  - **143 / 148 reporting points** (143 / 144, if 4 duplications are subtracted)
  - Emphasis on ASCOBANS reporting being more comprehensive than any other

- 1 point suggested to delete, and not opposed to delete:
  - Section II; Theme B (Disturbance (incl. Potential Physical impacts); Topic 6 (Recreational Sea Use); page 16; Paragraph 6.6:
    - Have there been any other instances / issues related to recreational sea use in your country during the reporting period.

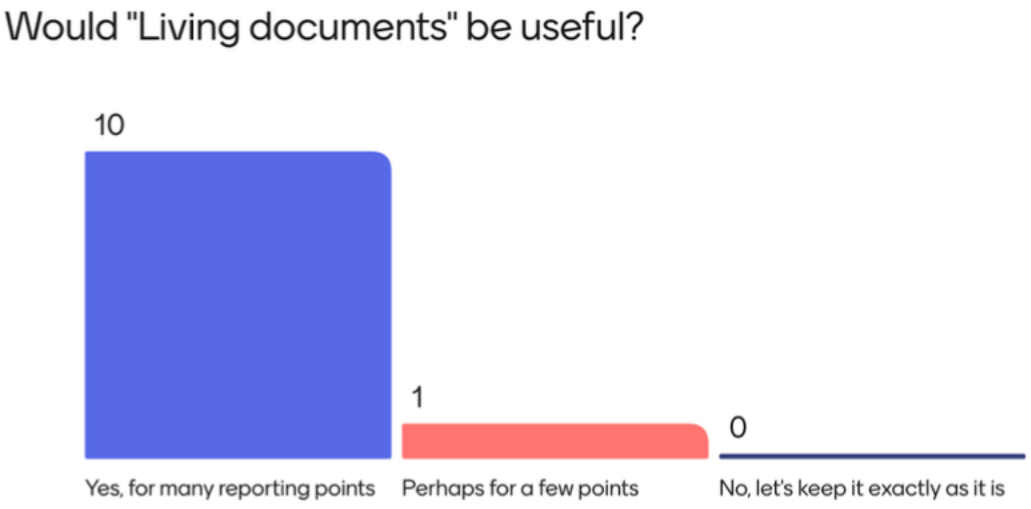
NSG / Jastarnia input

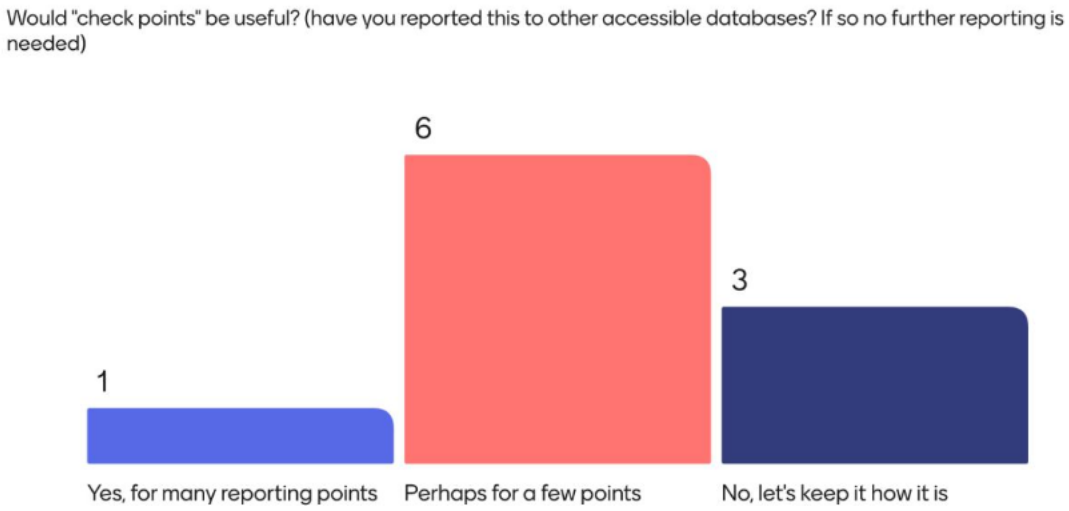
Which reporting topics need streamlining the most? (You can write "none")





NSG / Jastarnia input





IWG work

- Specific reporting points used for HELCOM recommendation 17/2 identified - thank you Kate

- Report (annex 1)
- Recommendations (annex 2, columnT)
- Updated NR form (annex 4)

Major recommendations

- Reporting period 4 years (topics are reported on every 4 years, covering those 4 years.
- Timing (change reporting timing or Jastarnia / NSG timing)
- 4 reporting points are duplicates - delete (Ocean Energy)
- Merging of some reporting points (especially cetacean whale whatching chapter)
- LIVING DOCS / PREFILLED
- Online form?
- Identified areas in need of special "care"
  - Bycatch
  - Ressource depletion
  - Ocean energy
  - Noise