

North Sea Stakeholder Conference

“Working Together to Manage the Resources of the North Sea”

17/18 March 2010

The Assembly Rooms, Newcastle

Draft Programme

Day One

12.0 Coffee – Sandwich and registration

13.0 Welcome and introduction – Lord Sewel – Conference Chairman
(confirmed)

13.15 NSC aims - Gunn Maritt Helgesen, President North Sea Commission
(confirmed)

13.30 Keynote Address – Integrated Marine Management from a UK perspective
- Huw Irranca-Davies MP – UK Minister (confirmed)

14.00 EU Commission – Integrated Maritime Policy- beyond the blue book
(confirmed)

14.30 Governance of Fisheries – North Sea RAC – Hugo Andersson, Chair of
The NSRAC (confirmed)

14.45

15.00 Coffee

15.30 The Future of Oil & Gas Sector in the North Sea – Total Oil

15.50 (Wind Energy - Process of consultation, planning through to completion)
or (Strategies for the Development of Renewable Energy in the North
Sea)

16.15 Development of a North Sea Grid – supporting renewable energy
production and security of energy supply – Belgian Presidency

16.40 Panel Discussion – Minister?

17.10 Closing remarks – Chairman

Day Two

9.0 Opening Address – EU Parliament

9.25 Co-operating between regions around the North Sea- Analie Stark , Vice President North Sea & Channel, Committee of the Regions (confirmed)

9.35 Energy, fisheries & tourism – Norwegian Energy Minister (tbc)

10.00 Co-ordination – of EU Directives – Paul Nemitz ??

10.20 Marine Strategy Framework Directive – DG Environment

10.40 CFP – Integration – Fisheries Perspective
Member State Perspective
ICES Perspective
Commission

11.10 **Coffee**

11.30 Marine Spatial Planning – LOT7 project Chris Derby ?

11.45 Conservation Challenges for the North Sea – Mark Tasker, OSPAR?

12.00 Sustainable shipping – Mr. Arvid Guthed, Port of Goteborg (confirmed)

12.10 Transport - Netherlands

12.15 North Sea Clean Ships Action Plan – Captain Jorg Straussler

12.25 Panel Discussion – Minister

12.55 Introduction to afternoon session – Conference Convener

13.00 **Lunch**

14,00 Workshops

- **The Integration of Fishing with other activities –**
- **Sustainable Development of Marine Resources &** Developing the economic potential of the North Sea Region through new industries and jobs – support the restructuring of economies and development of supply chains – ***Chairman Christian Byrith, Interreg North Sea Programme***

- **Maritime Research and Data Collection**
- **Integrated planning and management of maritime human activities. Focusing on cumulative effects and maritime safety.**

15.30 Feedback from workshops

16.0 Panel discussion - Minister

16.30 Summing up & conclusions – Rapporteur, Professor A. Hawkins

17.00 Closing remarks - Chairman