

ICES Request Form

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Request	Ecosystem considerations in the provision of single species advice for forage fish species.
Request to ICES: (technical service request)	
<p>Background:</p> <p>The EU and UK recognise the ecological significance of forage fish species such as sandeel, Norway pout, herring and sprat as an important food source for seabirds, other fish species and marine mammals. Their function and role should be considered when setting fishing opportunities, guided by the best available scientific advice.</p> <p>Description of requested work:</p> <p>ICES is asked to clarify and describe how ecosystem considerations are factored in and applied in the provision of single stock advice for forage fish species. Particular reference should be made to the handling of predator-prey interactions and what considerations/provisions are made for the rebuilding of sensitive higher trophic level species such as certain seabirds</p> <p>Preferred deadline: July 2023</p>	
Planning ICES	
Request (budget) accepted	
ICES contact person	
WG(s) involved	
Preparation timing	

Review group	
Advice drafting group	
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