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-An Overview from a Fisheries Perspective-

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Variety in vessel types and sizes

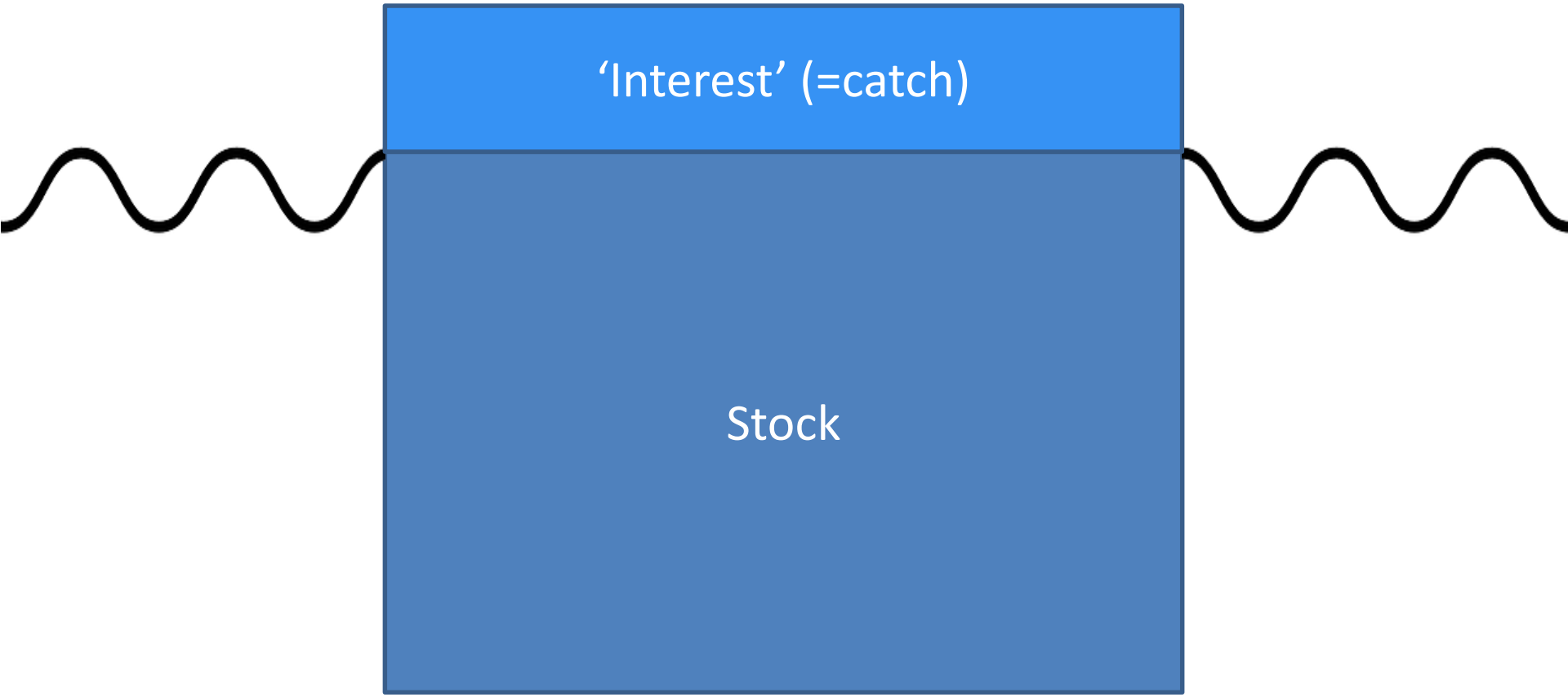
It’s about fishermen and their families

Supplying proteins for a growing population

North Sea: 1.8 mio tonnes € 2 billion/year

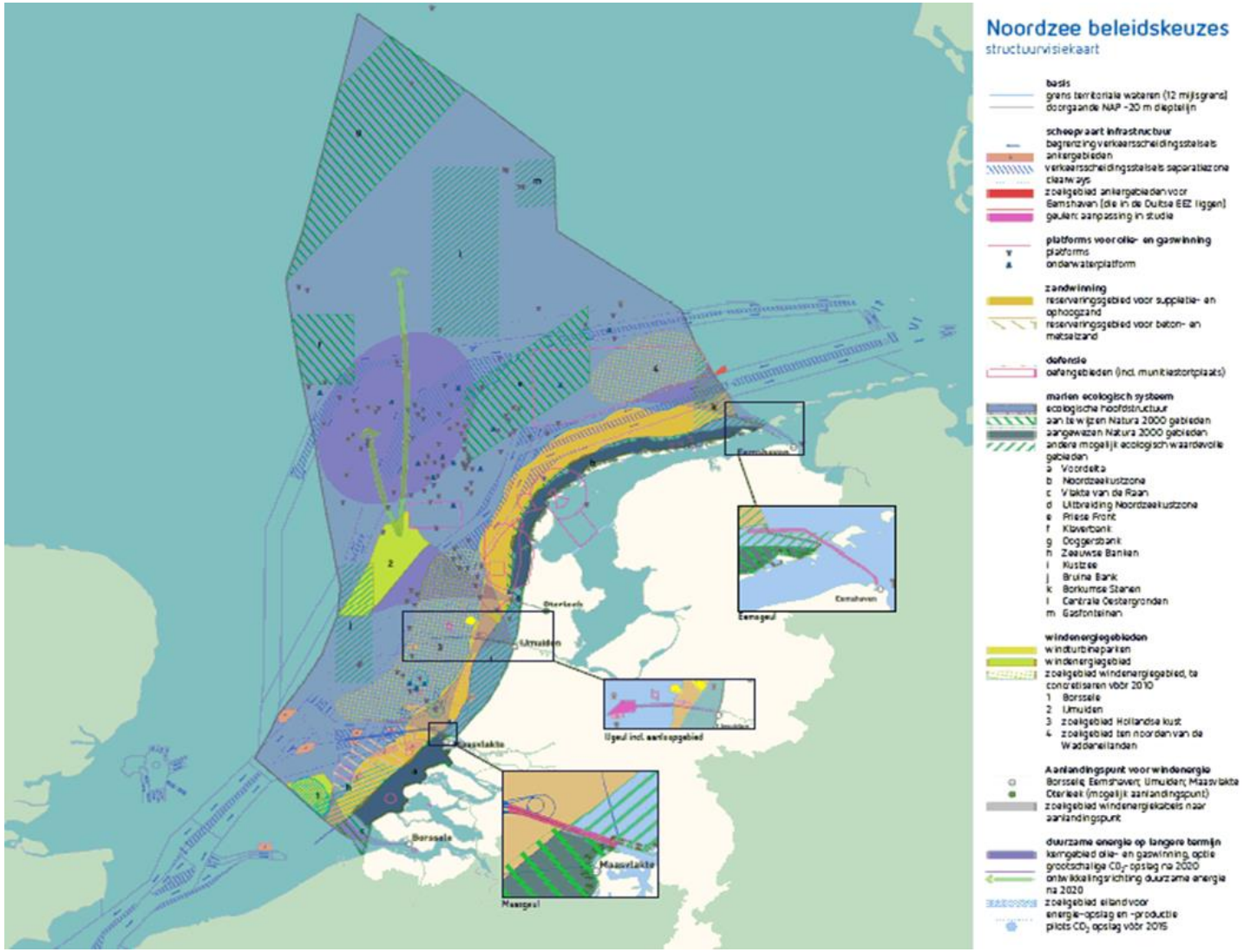
TACS 2013 Noordzee	in ton
Silversmelt	1.028
Schartong	1.937
Heek	1.935
Langoustines	18.350
rog	1.256
tusk	285
Haring	478.000
kabeljauw	26.475
Schar/bot	18.434
zeeduivel	10.203
schelvis	45.040
wijting	18.932
tongschar	6.291
leng	3.383
Noorse garnaal	3.058
schol	97.070
koolvis	91.220
Tarbot/griet	4.642
makreel	285.651
tong	14.000
sprot	161.500
horsmakreel	37.950
kever	187.500
zandspiering	286.424
others	6.500
Totaal	**1.807.064**
demersaal	**369.011**
pelagisch	**1.438.053**

Maximum Sustainable Yield embedded in CFP



Traditional Fishing Grounds North Sea

Fishing now within multiple Sea Basin Use



Fishing on a square inch

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Spatial Planning Land vs Sea

- The North Sea N2000 Example
  - One European Union
  - Six member states
  - Devolution means three more
  - Subsidiarity vs Regionalisation
- Ex Post Planning at Sea
- Fishing never subject to planning
  - Fishing is not Farming at Sea but Hunting
  - Hunting requires a large hunting area
  - Fish is highly mobile

How to continue? On the square inch?

- Policymakers must make clear choices
  - The WWH question (what where how)
    - Bridge the knowledge gap
    - Displacement is real!
  - Fisherman is stakeholder whose livelihood is at stake
    - Huge impact for individual fishermen
- Fishermen are natural underdogs
  - Must be even footed at the table, not on the menu
- Requires attitude change with ALL parties

How to continue? Holistic per Sea Basin!

- Do not consider fishing as user of the remainder
- Steer away from N2000 top down approach
  - Stakeholder involvement facilitated by civil servants
- AC's are effective platforms
  - Coordination of stakeholder process
- AC's need extra support and funding for this task
- A Multi User approach is required
  - Implement the Sea Basin AC structure for MSP

One stop Shopping European Fishing Industry

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