

FISHERIES



# THE NEED FOR CFP REFORM

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# TESTING THE NO CHANGE SCENARIO

## Methodology

- **80+% of EU landings and 75+% of employment on board, all fleet segments and MS covered**
- **Processing and aquaculture included**

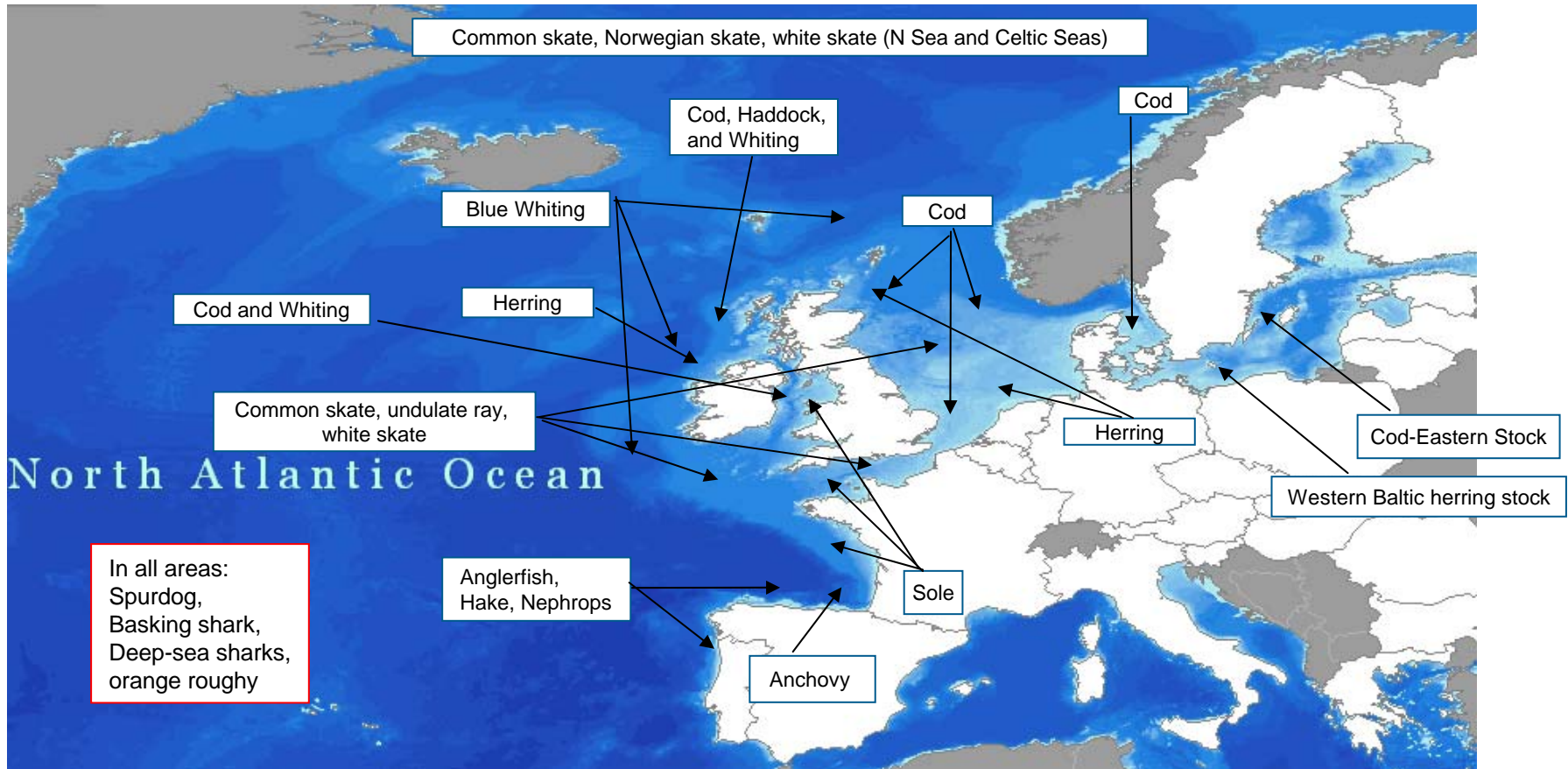


# INDICATORS

- **30 indicators mostly Environmental, Economic, Social and Governance such as**
  - **state of stocks**
  - **employment and wages**
  - **incomes and profitabilities**



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# ENVIRONMENT IN 2022

- Only 8 out of 136 stocks are likely to be healthy by 2022
- 94 % of stocks fished above maximum sustainable yield agreed in Johannesburg in 2002
- Moving down from 80% of EU stocks overfished to lower figure, but far from 25% global average



# ENVIRONMENT IN 2022

- **Moving down from 30 % of fish stocks threatened by collapse to lower figure**
- **Question: how much lower is good enough result for us?**



# ECONOMIC SITUATION IN 2022

- **Spiral of decline**
- **Financial and economic viability of majority of fleets under threat**
- **Overcapacity prevents fleets from improving financial performance**



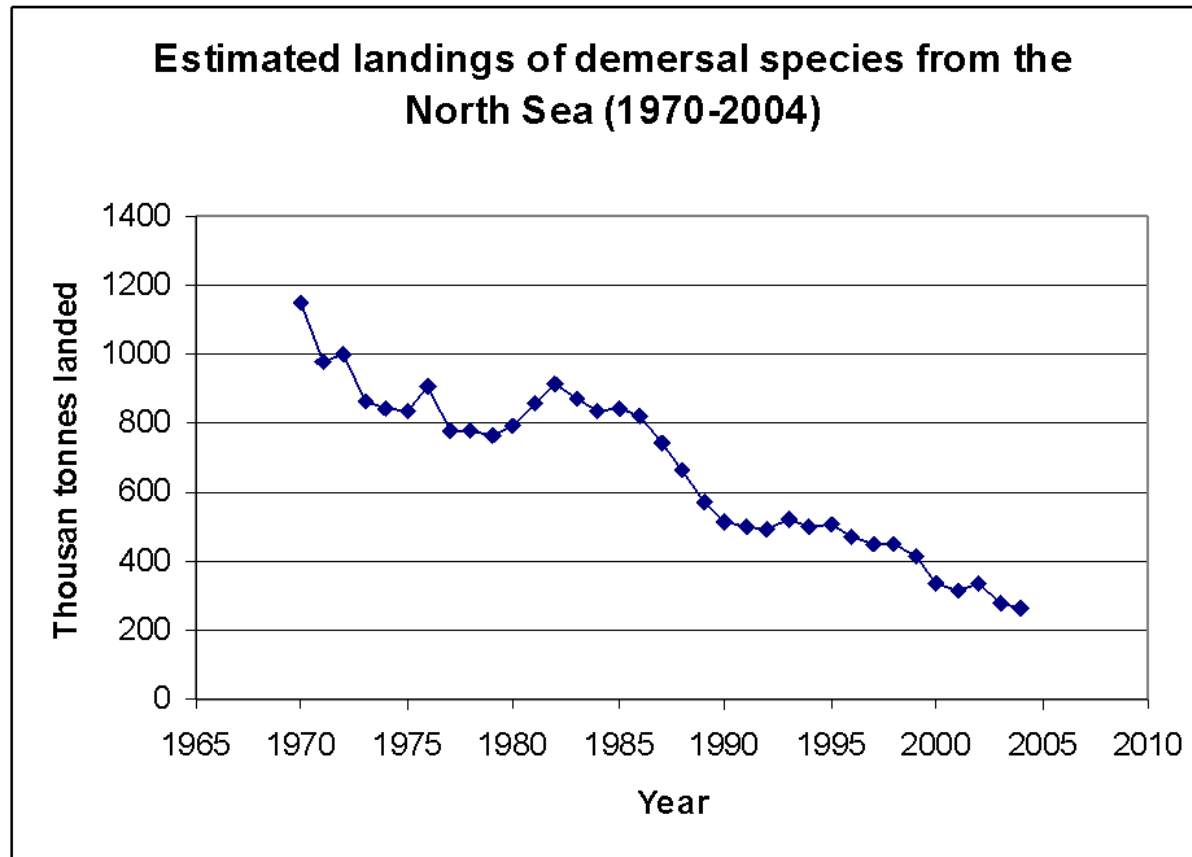
# ECONOMIC SITUATION IN 2022

- **Shrinking economic returns will bring cut down on costs by compromising safety and hiring non EU crews**
- **10 vessels trying to catch fish that should be caught by 5 vessels**
- **Impact on marine environment and increased discards**





# Regional losses in landings



# SOCIAL SITUATION IN 2022

- **fleets relying on public aid**
- **IFREMER study: aids granted to fishing sector have supported biologically and economically unsustainable fleet and**
- **aids create social unrest**





Poor economic performance, low resilience to external pressures

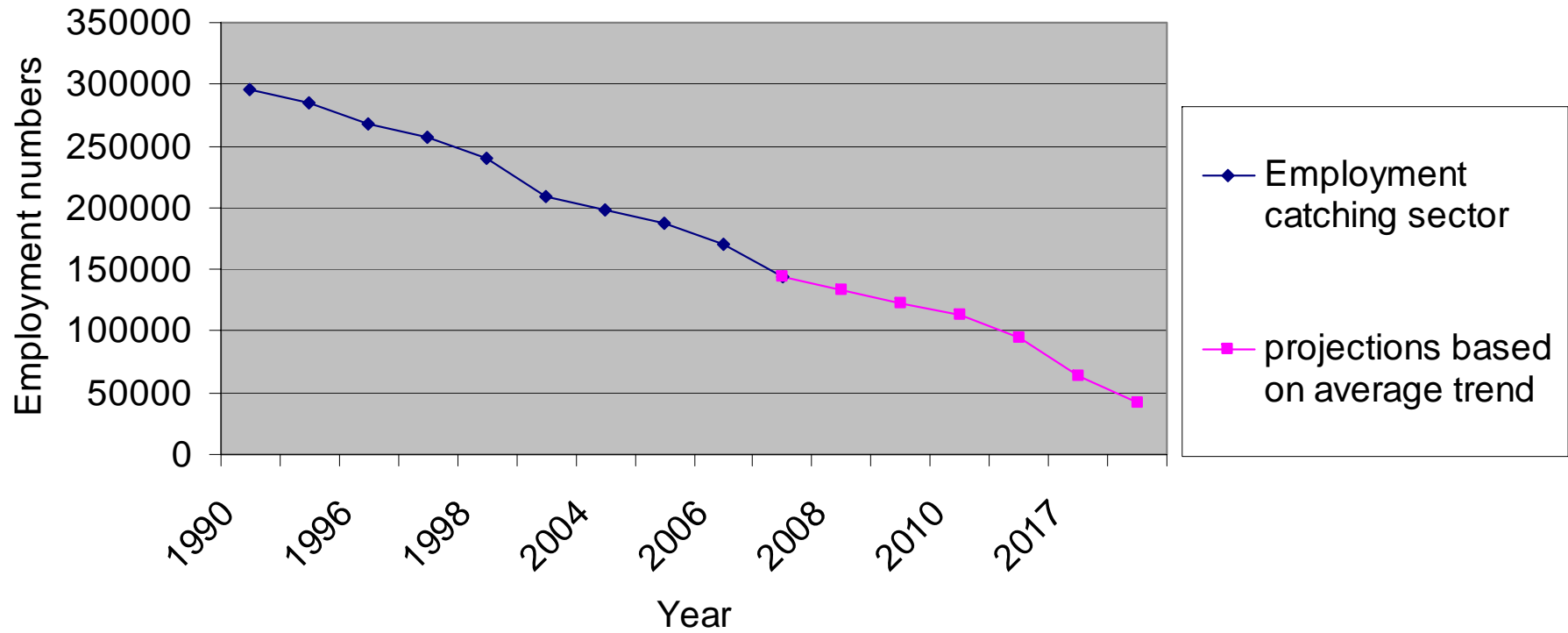


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# ..and decreasing employment

Employment in catching sector



# **SOCIAL SITUATION IN 2022**

- **Fleet overcapacity kills jobs**
- **Weak economic performance prevents increases in wages**
- **Wages well below national average**



# **SOCIAL SITUATION IN 2022**

- **Low attractiveness of profession**
- **Coastal communities declining**



# CONCLUSION

- **CFP Reform is necessity**
- **We need to stop passing the buck**
- **Tough and difficult decisions are needed to prevent slow death of fishing sector**



# CONCLUSION

- **Looking at new instruments**
- **Finding solutions**
- **Openness for all possible measures**
- **Goal is decent future for our fishermen and their families**





# THE FUTURE

- **continuing dialogue and further exploring solutions**
- **9-10 November 2010, Conference under Belgian Presidency, Ostende**
- **16 November 2010, Conference on CFP Reform, Brussels**



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