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Subject: Letter of support for the IMBUS project

Dear Dr. van Denderen,

With this letter, the Pelagic Advisory Council (PelAC) wishes to voice support of the proposal being prepared for submission to EU-funding under the EMFAF programme on 'Implementing More and Better Use of ICES Survey data' (IMBUS). This letter also serves to express our willingness to take part in the project's stakeholder advisory board.

The PelAC is one of 11 stakeholder-led Advisory Councils for fisheries in the European Union, and provides advice to the European Commission and Member States on matters pertaining the management of pelagic fish stocks in all Union waters excluding the Baltic and Mediterranean seas. The PelAC consists of all relevant stakeholders affected by the Common Fisheries Policy, namely pelagic fishing industry (60%) and other groups of interest including NGO's (40%).

The PelAC fully supports the efforts undertaken by DTU Aqua and the further IMBUS consortium to seek external funding for the IMBUS project.

Sincerely yours,



Esben Sverdrup-Jensen
Chair of the Pelagic Advisory Council

