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To: Contacts of HELCOM Fish-M
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Cc: Contacts and Observers of HELCOM Fish
HELCOM Heads of Delegation
Observers of HELCOM
Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the HELCOM Groups
Chair of ICES WGEEL, DG MARE & DG ENV contacts

Re: Invitation to the Regional Workshop on Eel and the Baltic Sea (FISH-M 5-2017), Stockholm, Sweden

Dear Colleagues,

With reference to the Work Plan of HELCOM Fish Workplan (Action 3.7) and outcomes of HELCOM FISH 6-2017 (§8.1) and HOD 52-2017 (§3.11), I have the pleasure to invite you to the Regional Workshop on Eel and the Baltic Sea, organised to implement the work plan of the Task force on migratory fish species sub-group (HELCOM FISH-M 5-2017).

The Workshop will be held on 29 November to 1 December, hosted by the Swedish Agency of Marine and Water Management in Stockholm, Sweden (exact address to be announced at a later stage).

A key feature of the workshop is to organise it in cooperation with other organisations. The Convention on Migratory Species (CMS) and Sargasso Sea Commission (SSC) have already agreed.

The Meeting will start at **13:00 on Wednesday, 29 November 2017** and is expected to terminate by **14:00 on Friday, 1 December 2017**.

Please find attached the invitation from Sweden as well as a flyer. The Preliminary Programme of the Workshop will be submitted at a later stage.

Presentations and documents for the Meeting will be made available on the [FISH-M 5-2017 meeting site](#) at the HELCOM Meeting Portal. Please note that you need to be a registered user with relevant rights to access the restricted meeting documents. [Instructions](#) for the use of the Meeting Portal are available on the HELCOM website.

Those Workshop participants who wish to provide their contributions (documents or presentations) for distribution among the participants in advance of the Workshop are requested to submit material in electronic format to Professional Secretary Mr. Hermanni Backer (hermanni.backer@helcom.fi) **at the latest by 8 November 2017**.

Participants are kindly requested to register to the Meeting by answering the [participation survey](#) on the meeting site **by 22 November 2017 at the latest**.

Yours sincerely,

Monika Stankiewicz
Executive Secretary, HELCOM