Quinto et al. (2016) found significant genetic differences between Madeira and Hatton Bank and Sesimbra, Stefanni and Knutsen (2007) in turn identified two phylogroups, later, different populations were found by Gordo et al. (2009) according to life history parameters, otolith shape analysis, parasites, landings-and-effort data and contaminants. Farias et al. (2012) consider the existence of a single stock in the NE Atlantic region like assumed by ICES (ICES, 2014b). However we consider that the stock structure of black scabbardfish is not totally understood.

Correspondent to the type of fishing gears used and nature of fisheries and as well consistent with EU management areas ICES has considered 3 assessment units in the past: Northern unit including Divisions VB and XIIb and Subareas VI and VII, Southern unit for Subareas VIII and IX and Other areas for Divisions Ia and IV, Subareas I, II, X, and XIV. But currently only one assessment unit is assumed comprising all Divisions and Subareas previously evaluated separately (ICES, 2014a,b).

Total Allowable Catches are defined considering 3 management units: I, II, III; IV, V, VI, XII; and VIII, IX, X (EC, 2015).

No related analysis

Management Quality:

Management Strategy  |  Managers Compliance  |  Fishers Compliance
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NOT YET SCORED  |  NOT YET SCORED  |  NOT YET SCORED

Stock Health:

Current Health  |  Future Health
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NOT YET SCORED  |  SCORED

FIPS

No related FIPs

MSC

Scaephe roundnose grenadier, black scabbard fish & blue ling deep-sea: Withdrawn

RECOMMENDATIONS

Retailers & Supply Chain

This profile is not currently high on our priority list for development, and we can’t at this time provide an accurate prediction of when it will be developed. To speed up an evaluation of the sustainability status of lower priority fisheries we have initiated a program whereby industry can directly contract SFP-approved analysts to develop a FishSource profile on a fishery. More information on this External Contributor Program is available at https://www.sustainablefish.org/Programs/Science/External-Contributor-Program.

Related Links:

- European Commission (EC)
- International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES)