

## CROSS-PARTY GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

### NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Fishing

### PURPOSE OF THE GROUP AND PROPOSED DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. Please state the purpose of the Group.
2. Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.
3. Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why, regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established.
4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.

1. To inform Parliament on matters of wild capture fishing and to provide a forum for exploration of policy, regulation and any other issues as decided by members.
2. There are many key issues affecting Scotland's fishing communities and this group will provide an important medium for dialogue with parliamentarians on policy.
3. There may be a slight overlap with the CPG on food. However, that overlap is essentially minor because the breadth of fishing encompasses a vast range of complex topics that will not fall under the food remit.
4. -Brexit and fishing – the journey  
-What ICES does - the science cycle  
-The fishing opportunity cycle, in the CFP and post-Brexit  
-Explore local inshore management – starting with examples that work  
-Seafood downstream: processing and beyond  
- Challenge & opportunity presentations from perspective of Pelagic & white fish fleets, inshore & shellfish, processing and environment sectors.

### MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Please provide names and party designation of all MSP members of the Group.

1. Stewart Stevenson MSP – SNP
2. Tavish Scott MSP – Liberal Democrat
3. Rhoda Grant MSP - Labour
4. Peter Chapman MSP – Conservative
5. Maree Todd MSP – SNP
6. Findley Carson MSP – Conservative
7. Gail Ross MSP – SNP

- 8. Ross Thomson MSP – Conservative
- 9. Joan McAlpine MSP – SNP
- 10. Liam McArthur MSP – Liberal Democrat

**NON-MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP**

For organisational members please provide only the name of the organisation, it is not necessary to provide the name(s) of individuals who may represent the organisation at meetings of the Group.

Individuals	Professor Michael Heath, Strathclyde University
Organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Scottish Fishermen’s Federation</li> <li>2. Scottish Seafood Association</li> <li>3. Scottish Scallop Divers Association</li> <li>4. Scottish Creel Fishermen’s Federation</li> <li>5. Scottish Fisherman’s Organisation</li> <li>6. Open Seas</li> <li>7. West of Scotland Fish Producers Organisation</li> <li>8. Sustainable Inshore Fisheries Trust</li> <li>9. World Wildlife Fund Scotland</li> <li>10. Keltic Seafare (Scotland) Ltd</li> <li>11. Community of Arran Seabed Trust</li> <li>12. DR Collins (Fish) Ltd</li> <li>13. Clyde Fishermen’s Association</li> <li>14. Marine Conservation Scotland</li> <li>15. Scottish Environment LINK</li> </ul>

**GROUP OFFICE BEARERS**

Please provide names for all office bearers. The minimum requirement is that two of the office bearers are MSPs and one of these is Convener – beyond this it is a matter for the Group to decide upon the office bearers it wishes to have. It is permissible to have more than one individual elected to each office, for example, co-conveners or multiple deputy conveners.

Co-Conveners	Stewart Stevenson MSP, Tavish Scott MSP
Secretary	Scottish Fishermen’s Federation – Bertie Armstrong

**FINANCIAL BENEFITS OR OTHER BENEFITS**

Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) the Group anticipates receiving from a single source in a calendar year which has a value, either singly

or cumulatively, of more than £500. This includes donations, gifts, hospitality or visits and material assistance such as secretariat support.

£756 including secretariat support, hospitality & time supplied by the Scottish Fishermen's Federation.

#### **SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP**

Please provide details of the amount to be charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

N/A

#### **CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS**

Name	Stewart Stevenson MSP
Parliamentary address	M5.14, Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh
Telephone number	0131 348 5894

#### **STATEMENT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT**

I declare that the Cross-Party Group on Fishing is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.

Signed	
Date	24 February 2017