

FISHERIES THAT ARE SOCIALLY AND CULTURALLY IMPORTANT SHOULD BE PRESERVED

A sustainable scientific will add value to the area and create opportunities for young people to gain part time and seasonal employment . for centuries traditional fishing was the training ground for careers river pilots boat men and so on . Sadly this did not extend to decision making And is sighted as a reason for the decline in traditional fishing and inevitably the break in the supply of maritime knowledgeable young people . The largest sector in the Irish fishing fleet is the small boats that fish from ports coves beaches and moorings from Youghal to Cheekpoint most of these boats are under 20ft , a common complaint among fishermen particularly small boat fishermen is that funding and grants are not being targeted for hatcheries restocking independent fishery scientific on a number of species, measures that would sustain traditional fishing will also support communities' tourism and maritime employment opportunities . We suggest a seminar with all relevant stakeholders including most definitely the traditional fishermen with the purpose exploring opportunities would be beneficial . Please see note attachment.


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