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Nordic Committee on
Bioethics

Bioethics of the Sea

1.-3. September 2005, University of Bergen, Norway

PROGRAMME

Thursday 1. September

20.00 Get-together party

Bergen Aquarium, Nordnesbakken 4, Bergen

Introduction

Sissel Rogne, Professor, Chairman of Programme Committee, Nordic Committee on Bioethics

Welcome

Ingileif Jónsdóttir, Associate professor, Chairman of the Nordic Committee on Bioethics

Friday 2. September

Chairperson: Ingileif Jónsdóttir, Nordic Committee on Bioethics

09.00-09.30 Towards bioethics of the sea

Professor Vilhjalmur Árnason, Dept. of philosophy, University of Iceland

Commentary: Mickey Gjerris, Associate Professor, Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University, Centre of Bioethics

Session I: Ecosystem based fisheries management

Chairperson: Ingileif Jónsdóttir, Nordic Committee on Bioethics

09.30-10.00 The population dynamics of our seas, the North Atlantic and Barents Sea

Ole Arve Misund, Research director, the Institutes for Marine Research, Norway

10.00-10.30 Coffee

- 10.30-11.00 **Overfishing and increased conflicts in fisheries**
Sture Hansson, Professor, Dept. of Systems Ecology, Stockholm University, Sweden
- 11.00 - 11.30 **The Baltic Sea: an ecosystem under multiple stress**
Erik Bonsdorff, Professor, Environmental and Marine Biology, Åbo Akademi University, Finland
- 11.30 - 13.00 **Discussion** with comments from
Lene Buhl-Mortensen, Senior scientist, Institute of Marine Research
Gudmundur Eggertsson, Prof. Em. University of Iceland
Erkki Leppäkoski, Prof. Åbo Akademi University, Environmental and Marine Biology
Klaus Nygaard, Director, Greenland Institute of Natural Resources
Aðalheiður Jóhannsdóttir, Associate Professor, University of Iceland
- 13.00-14.00 **Lunch** at the University canteen
- Session II: Responsible utilization of sea resources**
Chairperson: Sissel Rogne, Nordic Committee on Bioethics
- 14.00-14.30 **The law of the sea at the United Nations.**
Tómas H. Heiðar, Legal Adviser, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Iceland
- 14.30-15.00 **Socio-economic aspects; how to responsibly manage and regulate the fish resources?**
Anthony Charles, Professor, St Mary's University, Halifax, Canada
- 15.00-15.30 **Coffee**
- 15.30-16.00 **Cod as a moral agent**
Petter Holm, Professor, University of Tromsø
- 16.00-17.30 **Discussion with comments from**
Hugh Beach, Prof. Uppsala university, Dept. of cultural anthropology
Gestur Hovgaard, Faroe Islands
Sakari Kuikka, Prof. University of Helsinki, Fisheries biology
Thorolfur Matthiasson, Prof. University of Iceland, Faculty of Economics
Jóhann Sigurjónsson, Director General, Marine Research Institute
Eva Torril Strand, Reder, P.R. Stormfuglen D.A.
Johán Williams, Ekspedisjonssjef, Fiskeri og Kystdepartementet
- 19.00 **Dinner at Restaurant Bellevue**

Saturday 3. September

Session III. Fishing communities and welfare questions

Chairperson: Gunna Christiansen, Nordic Committee on Bioethics

08.30-09.00 **Fisheries and Economic Welfare**

Røgnvaldur Hannesson, Professor, Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration

09.00-09.30 **Fiskeripolitikk og effekter på lokalsamfunn**

Eva Husby, Director, Hasvik County, Norway

09.30-10.00 **Coffee**

10.00-10.30 **Transformation in the fisheries – local perspectives of the villages in Iceland**

Unnur Dis Skaptadóttir, Associate professor, University of Iceland

10.30-12.00 **Discussion with comments from**

Arthur Bogason, The Association of Small Boat Owners

Ian Kinsey, The N. Coastal Fishermens Org.

Torleif Paasche, Avdelningsleder, Norwegian Fishermens Ass.

Kristjan Thorarinsson, Dr. The Federation of Fishing Vessel Owners

Markku Viitasalo, Prof. Institute of Marine Research

Johán Williams, Ekspedisjonssjef, Fiskeri og Kystdepartementet

12.00 **Closing of workshop**

12.30 **Lunch** at Hotel Admiral