

Professional small scale Fisheries in the Delta and diadromous fishstocks

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netVISwerk

- New organization uniting professional inland fishers and small scale coastal fishers in the Netherlands and Belgium.
- Mission of the organization: netVISwerk and its members fish carefully within the limits set by the natural environment. (neatly working with fish together)
- Members: Professional handline fishers, inland fishers using fykes and seines, pot fishers for lobster and crabs, gill net fishers in the coastal zone, hand cockle fishers and mullet fishers.

Impression of the fisheries in the Delta









Fisheries with big fykes For eel and mitten crabs

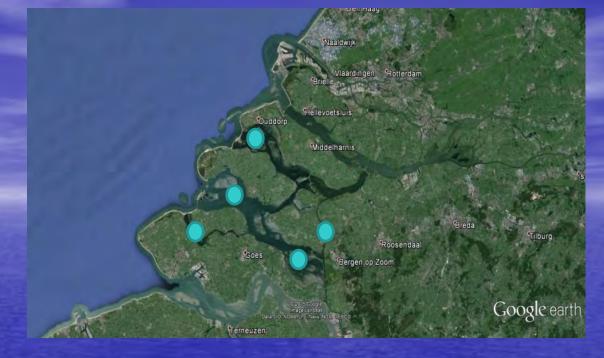






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Fishing locations after 2011

Fisheries with small fykes for eel





Mullet fisheries

Waaldwijk
Vaardingen, Retterdam,
Breile

Widelharnis

Sees

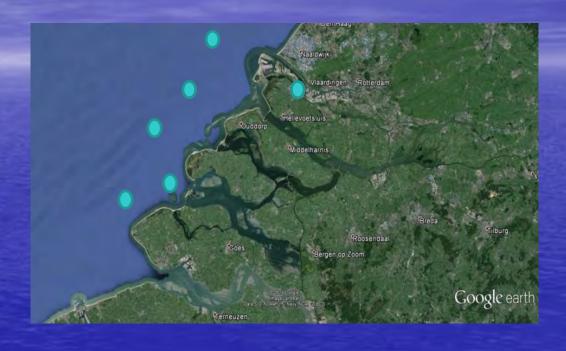
Roosendaal

heries with small traps for eel and lobster



Gillnet fisheries for Sole



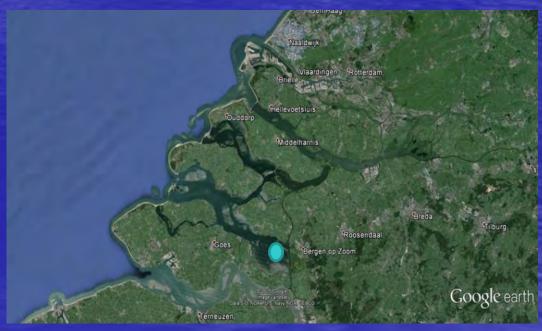




Traditional traps in the tidal zone for anchovies

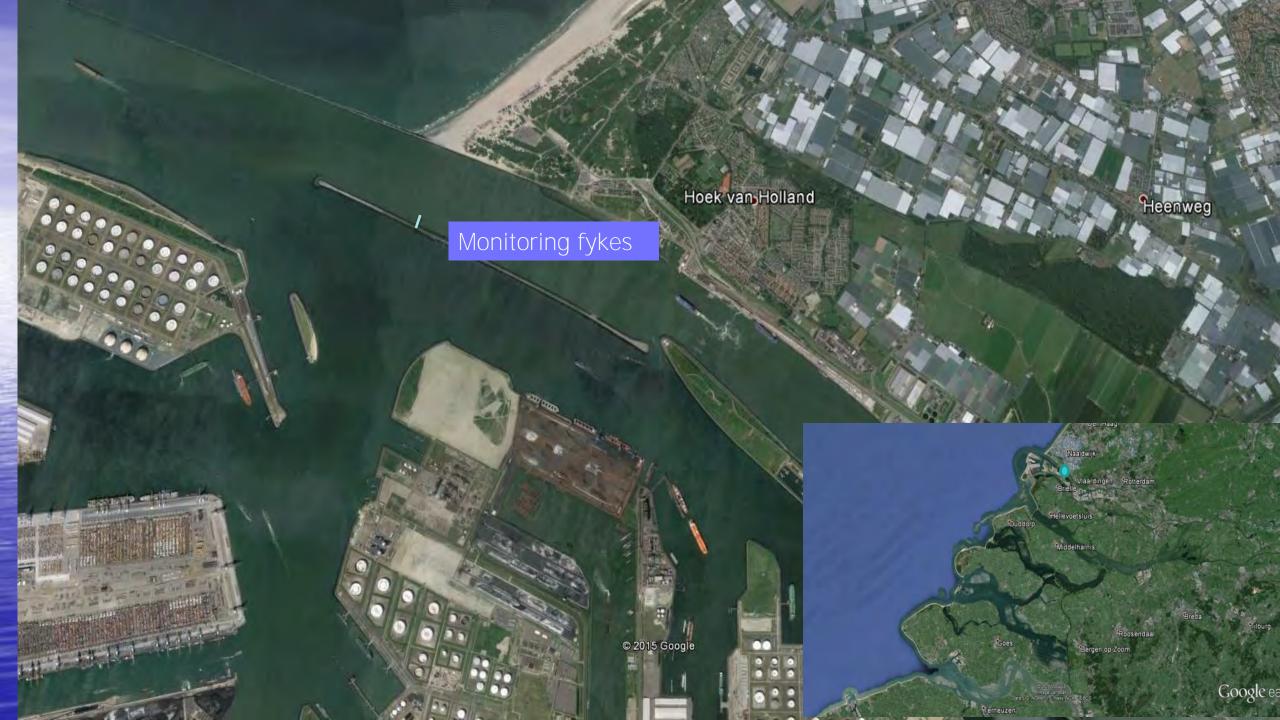
Bycatch mainly mackerel and belone but also







Occationally they catch a shark









Current and potential role of professional fishers in the management of diadromous fish stocks.

Current role

- Harvesting part of the diadrome fish stocks such as Flounder, Shad, Sea-Lamprey, River Lamprey, Smelt, Salmon (some countries), Eel
- Providing very limited data on catch and sometimes effort

Potential role

- Continued harvest at low level
- Selling the fish with the recovery story and the need for further improvement
- Providing detailed, day-to-day data on catch, by-catch-andrelease and effort
- Take part in discussions on management of the stocks

Future of Inland and coastal fisheries











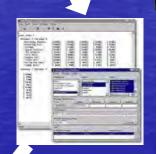
- By-catch
- others



Management plan











Exchange of ideas and negotiations with government/ NGOs



Analysis of data participatory

Comparing current fisheries management system and ideal situation

Current System

- Politics
- Little is based on data
- Data analysis not participatory
- NGOs versus professional fishers
- Fisheries management detrimental to professional small scale fishers
- Politics

In the ideal situation

- Management starts with data on the (trends in) fishstocks
- Large amounts of data are provided by professional fishers and anglers
- Data analysed in a participatory way (mutual respect)
- Fisheries management is in support of small scale fishers and fishstocks

Participatory management how?

EU provides a venue for sharing and formulating advise to the European Commission in the form of Advisory Councils.

Should we (fisheries sector + NGOs) lobby for an Advisory Council on diadromous fish species?

- NGOs
- Organized professional inland and small scale coastal fishers
- Organized angler organizations





Professional fisheries and Salmon catches at sea and in the estuarium of the Rhine

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