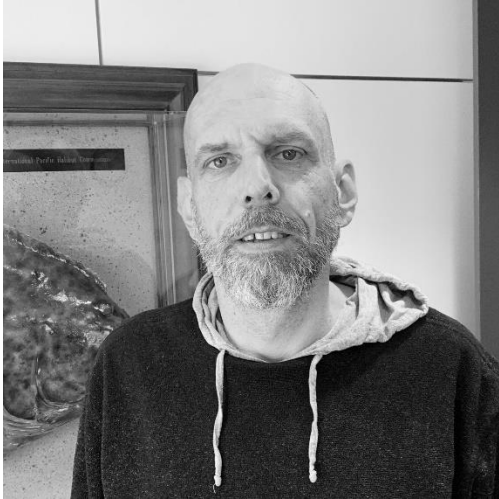




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Dr. Sven Kupschus is a principal fisheries scientist and advisor with the Centre for Fisheries and Aquaculture Sciences (Cefas) in the UK, where he works extensively on fisheries data collection and its use in management.

He started his career in fisheries in Florida, working initially in survey implementation with an increasing shift to data usage and analysis, and ending up addressing questions of sampling design with respect to management questions. Back in the UK this knowledge and expertise resulted in a period of intense involvement with stock assessment and management, providing fisheries advice indirectly through the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES) and the Scientific and

Technical and Economic Committee for Fisheries (STECF). As part of this work, he has conducted numerous reviews of stock assessments and data collection programs nationally and internationally.

Dr. Kupschus' research interests focus mainly around evidence-based implementation of the ecosystem approach. A firm belief that fisheries cannot be dealt with in isolation of the ecosystem and a need to evaluate and improve data collection if we are to go beyond merely observing change in the system has involved him in a very broad range of topics, considering everything from bottom-up ecosystem processes to stakeholder involvement. Since 2017 Dr. Kupschus has been chair of the of the Ecosystem Observation Steering group for ICES, overseeing about 50 international workshops focused around data collection and its uses annually. He has served the Center for Independent Experts (CIE) on numerous assessment reviews and chaired numerous expert groups for ICES.