

## **Annex 7: Template for moving category 3 stocks to category 1: cod.27.1-2 coast**

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**Table 2.1.1. Template to identify potential candidate stocks for category 1 assessment.**

Coastal cod cod.27.1-2

- Which is the current category number (3 or 4)? 3
- Are there already plans for a benchmark in 1–2 years? **No**
- What are the necessary requirements to do the upgrade to category 1? ○

Resources needed:

- **Stock identification within coastal cod and between coastal cod and NEA cod would be needed.**

- Could there be sufficient data suitable for age or length based models and forecast?

**There is the data but it is not reliable, and the costs relative to the value of the fishery are too high.**

- CONCLUSIONS:

**There is no potential to move this stock from a category 3 to a category 1 due to problems with stock identification that cannot be solved at this time.**