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Subject: Data call to compile an inventory of monitoring programmes for bycatch of protected, endangered and threatened species.

Dear Reader,

Please find enclosed a document describing the rationale, scope and technical details of the data call for ICES work related to an EU (DG ENV) special request on monitoring programmes for bycatch of protected, endangered and threatened species.

For countries which are also EU members, this data call will aid synergies within the context of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (2008/56/EC) and The Habitat Directive ([92/43/EEC](#)).

In addition, the data will provide valuable information for the ICES Working Groups on Bycatch of protected species (WGBYC) and on commercial catches (WGCATCH) in order to plan future work and strategic initiatives across the ICES area. For questions about the content of the data call, please contact: advice@ices.dk. For questions on data submission, please contact: data.call@ices.dk.

Sincerely,

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