

## **Who gains from sustainable fisheries – and who loses?**

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In fisheries, environmental concerns and economic reason are aligned, as rebuilding fish stocks to larger sizes also increases economic profitability of fisheries. Thus, both the fish stocks and owners of fishing rights will benefit from sustainable fisheries. With regard to other interest groups, the picture is more mixed. In the presentation I will show under which conditions sustainable fishery management – compared to some status quo with overfished stocks – will increase or decrease rents for workers in fishing industry and surplus for consumers of fish. I will further briefly show how economic rents from rebuilding stocks are distributed over different fishing fleets in a multi-species context. Finally I will discuss how these findings on the distributive effects of sustainable fishery management may help explaining the ongoing unsustainable fisheries policy in the European Union and elsewhere.