

Foreword

The Joint Meeting on Causes of Marine Mortality of Salmon in the North Pacific and North Atlantic Oceans and in the Baltic Sea was held in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, on March 14-15, 2002. The Joint Meeting was co-organized and co-sponsored by International Baltic Sea Fishery Commission (IBSFC), International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES), North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization (NASCO), North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission (NPAFC), and North Pacific Marine Science Organization (PICES). The Organizing Committee consisted of representatives from each of these five international organizations, and was co-chaired by Dr. Yukimasa Ishida of NPAFC and Dr. Malcolm Windsor of NASCO. All necessary arrangements were made by the NPAFC Secretariat (Local Organizer) in cooperation with the Organizing Committee.

Over 140 scientists, industry representatives, and fisheries officials from 15 countries attended the Joint Meeting. There were 21 oral and 16 poster presentations of scientific papers followed by a synthesis and discussion session. Extended abstracts of the presented papers are included in this Technical Report as well as a synthesis of the Joint Meeting. The material presented in this Technical Report has not been peer reviewed, and does not necessarily reflect the views of IBSFC, ICES, NASCO, NPAFC, PICES, or their Parties. Some work may be preliminary. The material has been edited for clarity and publication purposes only.

