### Application for Consent to conduct Marine Scientific Research

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#### 1. General Information

1.1 Cruise name and/or number: North Sea Ecosystem cruise 2016106

1.2 Sponsoring Institution(s):	
Name:	Institute of Marine Research
Address:	P.O.Box 1870 Nordnes
	N-5024 Bergen Norway
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1.3 Scientist in charge of the Project:		
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1.4 Entity(ies)/Participant(s) from coastal State involved in the planning of the project:		
Name:		
Affiliation:		
Address:		
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Email:		
Website (for CV and photo):		

## 2. Description of Project

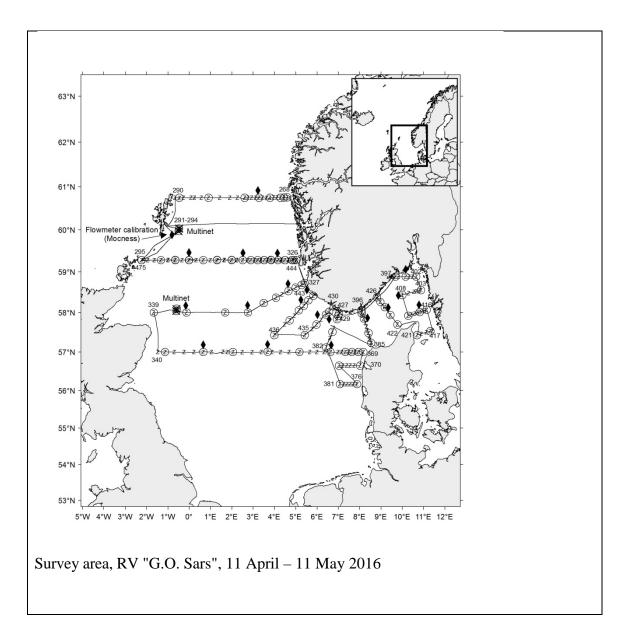
### 2.1 Nature and objectives of the project:

The North Sea Ecosystem spring cruise has been run since 2006 by the Institute of Marine Research (IMR) as a multi-purpose survey, covering hydrography, chemistry, phytoplankton and zooplankton as well as fish eggs and fish larvae for the IMR projects "Monitoring of climate and plankton in the North Sea Skagerrak", and "Early life history dynamics of North Sea Fishes". The cruise also includes monitoring of radioactive contamination, and sampling for a project within the Norwegian Taxonomy Initiative, on copepods (COPCLAD). The survey area of the North Sea Ecosystem cruise 2016 includes both northern North Sea and the Skagerrak.

The objectives of the North Sea Ecosystem Cruise 2016 is:

- 1) To sample pre-selected stations along standard transects for physical, chemical and biological parameters in the Northern North Sea and Skagerrak.
- 2) To map the abundance, distribution and species composition of phytoplankton, zooplankton, and early life stages of fish (eggs and larvae).
- 3) To undertake two process studies (northwestern North Sea and Skagerrak) in order to investigate the spatial, vertical and diel distribution of fish eggs and larvae and their potential predators and prey.
- 4) To monitor radioactive contamination in Skagerrak

2.2 If designated as part of a larger scale project, then provide the name of the project and
the Organisation responsible for coordinating the project:
2.3 Relevant previous or future research projects:
The cruise has been undertaken since 2006
2.4 Previous publications relating to the project:
3. Geographical Areas
3.1 Indicate geographical areas in which the project is to be conducted (with reference in Latitude and longitude in decimal degrees, including coordinates of cruise/track/way points/sampling stations). Please provide coordinates in a separate excel spreadsheet.
Survey area covers: North Sea, Skagerrak, Kattegat: 55.2°N - 61° N; 11.5°E - 02° W
3.2 Attach chart(s) at an appropriate scale (1 page, high-resolution) showing the geographical Areas of the intended work and, as far as practicable, the location and depth of sampling Stations, the tracks of survey lines, and the locations of installations and equipment.



# 4. Methods and means to be used

4.1 Particulars of vessel:			
Name:	RV "G.O. Sars"		
Type/Class:	RV		
Nationality (Flag State):	Norway		
Identification Number (IMO/Lloyds No.):	8915768		
Owner:	Institute of Marine Research		
Operator:	Institute of Marine Research		
Overall length (meters):	77,5m		
Maximum draught:	7,5m		
Displacement/Gross Tonnage:	4067		
Propulsion:	Diesel		
Cruising & maximum speed:	10 knots and 13 knots		
Call sign:	LMEL		
INMARSAT number and method and	Phone +47 5590 6400. GSM +47 90528441		
capability	Iridium: 00881631010521		
of communication (including emergency	When outside sat-range:		
frequencies):	425713910@inmc.eik.com		
Name of Master:	Preben VIndenes/ John Hugo Johnsen		
Number of Crew:	15		
Number of Scientists on board:	10		

4.2 Particulars of Aircraft:	
Name:	
Make/Model:	
Nationality (flag State):	
Website for diagram & Specifications:	
Owner:	
Operator:	
Overall Length (meters):	
Propulsion:	
Cruising & Maximum speed:	
Registration No.:	
Call Sign:	
Method and capability of communication	
(including emergency frequencies):	
Name of Pilot:	
Number of crew:	
Number of scientists on board:	
Details of sensor packages:	
Other relevant information:	

4.3 Particulars of Autonomous Underwater Vehicle (AUV):	
Name:	
Manufacturer and make/model:	
Nationality (Flag State):	
Website for diagram & Specifications:	
Owner:	
Operator:	
Overall length (meters):	
Displacement/Gross tonnage:	
Cruising & Maximum speed:	
Range/Endurance:	
Method and capability of communication	
(including emergency frequencies):	
Details of sensor packages:	
Other relevant information:	

4.5 Particulars of methods and full description of scientific instruments to be used(for fishing			
gear specify type and dimension)			
Types of samples and Methods to be used: Instruments to be used:			
Measurements:			
Hydrography, nutrients, Chla	Vertical hauls	CTD with water bottles	
Plankton	Vertical /oblique hauls	Plankton nets, Mocness	
Fish larvae	Oblique hauls	Multinet, MIK trawl	

4.6 Indicate nature and quantity of substances to be released into the marine environment: NONE

4.7 Indicate whether drilling will be carried out. If yes, please specify:

NΑ

4.8 Indicate whether explosives will be used. If yes, please specify type and trade name, Chemical content, depth of trade class and stowage, size, depth of detonation, frequency of Detonation, and position in latitude and longitude:

NA

### 5. Installations and Equipment

Details of installations and equipment (including dates of laying, servicing, method and Anticipated timeframe for recover, as far as possible exact locations and depth, and Measurements):

NA

#### 6. Dates

6.1 Expected dates of first entry into and final departure from the research area by the research vessel and/or other platforms:

Within the period 11 April-11 May. Timing and location of where the vessel will be is highly weather dependent and therefore impossible to predict.

6.2 Indicate if multiple entries are expected:

Unknown. The survey depends on the weather. Ideally, the vessel would survey all of the nation's waters without re-entry.

## 7. Port Calls

7.1 Dates and Names of intended ports of call:

Sometime within the period 11 April – 11 May. Lerwick, Aberdeen or Kirkwall (tentative).

7.2 Any special logistical requirements at ports of call:

NONE

7.3 Name/Address/Telephone of shipping agent (if available):

NA

- 8. Participation of the representative of the coastal State
- 8.1 Modalities of the participation of the representative of the coastal State in the research Project:

NA

8.2 Proposed dates and ports for embarkation/disembarkation:
NIA.
NA
9. Access to Data, Samples and Research Results
9.1 Expected dates of submission to coastal State of preliminary report, which should include The expected dates of submission of the data and research results:
Report within 6 months, if required
9.2 Anticipated dates of submission to the coastal State of the final report:
Report within 6 months.
9.3 Proposed means for access by coastal State to data (including format) and samples:
NA
9.4 Proposed means to provide coastal State with assessment of data, samples and Research results:
NA
9.5 Proposed means to provide assistance in assessment or interpretation of data, samples And research results: NA
9.6 Proposed means of making results internationally available:
Data on hydrography and plankton stored and reported to ICES
10. Other permits Submitted
10.1 Indicate other types of coastal state permits anticipated for this research (received or Pending):
NA NA
11. List of Supporting Documentation
11.1 List of attachments, such as additional forms required by the coastal State, etc.:
NA
Signature:

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