

## EAF-NANSEN PROGRAMME

Policy on the access and use of data collected within the framework of the EAF-Nansen Programme including through the research vessel *Dr. Fridtjof Nansen* surveys

(The Nansen Data Policy)

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## 1. ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
Norad	Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation
IMR	Norwegian Institute of Marine Research
R/V DFN	Research Vessel Dr. Fridtjof Nansen
RFB	Regional Fisheries Body
RFMO	Regional Fisheries Management Organization
NDP	Nansen Data Policy
Third Party	Individuals, organisations or projects/programmes other than the
	Programme's main partners
IGO	Important Global Organisation
Data Custodian	Norwegian Institute of Marine Research (IMR)
Nansen Data Focal	Individual responsible at national or regional level to handle any
Point	matter related to the data generated as part of the Programme.
Nansen programme	The programme funded by the government of Norway since 1975
Nansen Programme	EAF-Nansen Programme funded by Norad and executed by FAO
EEZ	Exclusive Economic Zone
ABNJ	Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction
IPR	Intellectual property rights
Copyright	Protection rights vested to someone or institution who creates an
	original work of authorship

#### 2. INTRODUCTION

As stipulated in Article I of its Constitution, one of the functions of FAO, as a United Nations specialised agency with a trusty and neutral role, is to collect, analyse, interpret and disseminate information relating to nutrition, food and agriculture, including fisheries. Any data used or processed by FAO, or transferred to a third party by FAO, must be processed correctly and consistently. Unauthorised disclosures, misuse and improper processing of data expose the FAO to legal, operational and reputational risks. A properly implemented data protection policy contributes to enhancing trust in FAO and its work. It is therefore imperative that any data held by FAO, or entrusted by FAO to a third party, is appropriately protected. In order to mitigate risks and enhance protection of the data generated by the EAF-Nansen Programme, this present Nansen Data Policy (NDP) sets out the main principles and responsibilities in relation to the collection, management and distribution of data.

Since 1975, the Norwegian research vessel *Dr. Fridtjof Nansen* has undertaken, as part of the Nansen programme<sup>1</sup>, surveys in the waters of many developing countries with the support of Norwegian development cooperation to assist partner countries to develop and manage their fisheries. Since 1995, the Food and Agriculture of the United Nations (FAO) was fully associated in the Nansen programme through the planning of marine surveys, provision of assistance and support for the research vessel (R/V) *Dr. Fridtjof Nansen* to operate in the EEZ of partner countries and international waters.

Activities under the current phase of the Nansen programme, referred to as the EAF-Nansen Programme (the "Programme"), started in May 2017<sup>2</sup>. The Programme is implemented by FAO with the scientific support of the Norwegian Institute of Marine Research (IMR). The execution of the Programme is governed by the Programme Agreement concluded among the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (Norad), the Norwegian Institute of Marine Research (IMR) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).

The generation of data is an essential part of the Programme's work, and until now a large part of the data is collected through marine surveys with the R/V *Dr. Fridtjof Nansen*. The vessel flies the flag of the UN, marking the vessel as neutral platform for collaboration.

This data policy deals not only with fisheries surveys conducted by the Programme, but also with fisheries related data generated from studies on ecosystem, pollution, climate impacts, social and economic, among others. The data policy also describes the roles of different groups and institutions involved in the generation of data for the Programme and contains a set of rules and principles to follow to access the data.

Data collected with the support of the Programme are provided to the partner countries and are also stored at IMR, the "Data Custodian" for all the data generated, including from surveys with the R/V *Dr. Fridtjof Nansen*.

<sup>2</sup> The EAF-Nansen Programme executed by FAO is part of the Norwegian supported initiative that started in 1975, the Nansen programme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Nansen programme started its activities in 1975 with a marine survey in the Indian Ocean.

The Nansen Data Policy (NDP) is intended to clarify the procedures and responsibilities for access and use of data collected or generated within the framework of the Programme including through the R/V *Dr. Fridtjof Nansen* surveys. It describes the roles and obligations of the main partners (FAO, IMR and partner countries) and third parties that request data. Often, third parties express interest in the use of these data for activities (including research projects) outside those agreed between the Programme and its partners. "Third party" refers to individuals, organisations or projects/programmes other than the main partners indicated herein. This NDP also governs the contributions of the Programme to global or regional processes or specific partnerships.

This NDP is the revision of the October 2021 data policy and considers all the agreements between parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. This NDP amends and supersedes in all respects the October 2021 NDP. The NDP is in line with the general provisions of the United Nations Convention of the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS).

#### 3. RATIONALE

Since 1995, when FAO was involved in the execution of the Nansen programme, the Programme has generated or supported the generation of a substantial amount of data on marine fisheries, the marine environment and socio-economic features related to these fisheries.

This NDP is intended to ensure that any use of the data collected with the support of the Programme is consistent with the principles presented below. Upon its entry into force, the NDP shall apply to all data, and information derived from these data in raw or processed form.

#### 4. KEY PRINCIPLES

The key principles guiding data collection, management and use within the framework of the Programme are:

- i. The main objective of the Programme is to generate knowledge and develop capacity of partner countries, regional organisations (e.g. regional fisheries bodies and large marine ecosystem commissions) and projects for improved management and sustainable use of marine fishery resources and ecosystems.
- ii. The data are collected and processed to fulfil the mutually agreed objectives of the Programme, as stated in the Programme's agreements, Programme's documents and the Science Plan. Their use should primarily reflect these priorities.
- iii. Data generated through the Programme belong to the countries in whose territories or waters (Exclusive Economic Zone [EEZ]) they have been collected, or to the relevant Regional Fisheries Body (RFB), Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO) or other competent organisations in the case of work in Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (ABNJs), and to FAO on behalf of the Programme.

- iv. Any use of data should include or provide an opportunity for capacity development of institutions in partner countries. This includes academic or professional training.
- v. No data or information obtained from the Programme may be traded or used for commercial or private gain.
- vi. Holding a physical or digital copy of the samples, data or information does not give anyone any rights of ownership or intellectual property rights over these samples, data, or information.
- vii. FAO retains copyrights over data collected, information generated, knowledge products developed and articles prepared by the Programme.
- viii. Any data access request received, will be evaluated in relation to the partner country or RFB/RFMO's work plan, Programme's mission and in relation to contribution to capacity development (for third-party data requests), as well as their alignments with the requirements set forth in this Data Policy.
- ix. Data shall be managed responsibly, with due regard to confidentiality, privacy and data protection considerations during the entire data lifecycle in accordance with rules, policies and procedures related to the protection of data applicable to the institutions, partner countries and other legal entities using the data.

#### 5. DEFINITION OF DATA IN THIS POLICY

In this document, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated below:

"Data" includes all types of physical samples, values, measurements recorded, images/videos or observations collected during a survey or other activities within the context of the Programme, and information derived from it, in raw or processed form. Under this Policy, Data may include personal data and non-personal data, contained in any form.

"Data Lifecycle" means all phases during the life of data, from planning, collection, processing, storage, and transfer to destruction.

## 6. OWNERSHIP OF THE DATA, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS AND COPYRIGHTS

- i. As stated in section 3 above, all data generated through the Programme belong to the countries in whose territories or waters (Exclusive Economic Zone [EEZ]) they have been collected, or to the relevant Regional Fisheries Body (RFB), Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO) or other competent organizations in the case of work in Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (ABNJs), and to FAO on behalf of the Programme.
- ii. For the specific purpose of taxonomic identification or for other purposes requiring further laboratory analysis, any type of physical samples may be provided to any accredited research institution in the world. For this purpose, FAO or the designated Co-Data Owner (s) (see point 7 below) are authorised to transfer the ownership of these samples to the

relevant research institutions, subject to the retention of a perpetual royalty-free licence by the FAO and designated institution(s) to use the samples and related information for non-commercial purposes. In such cases, samples will be identifiable as specimens of the "[year] FAO-[country] Collection".

- iii. Copyright or other intellectual property rights for information or knowledge products developed jointly by the partner country or RFB/RFMO and FAO from any sample or data obtained through the Programme shall be jointly vested in both parties along with the rights to use the material for non-commercial purposes.
- iv. Copyrights and intellectual property rights over materials developed jointly by the partner country or RFB/RFMO or FAO and third parties shall be addressed in supplementary agreements concluded in line with this NDP, indicating the responsibilities, obligations and modalities for the use of the disclosed data.
- v. All background rights, including copyrights, pertaining to intellectual contribution to the work performed under the Programme shall remain with the originating party.

## 7. RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE MANAGEMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF DATA

Responsibilities of the Co-Data Owner in partner country or RFB/RFMO

- i. The countries or RFB/RFMO partners to the Programme are required to nominate a Focal Point and a Technical Focal Point representing the responsible institutions towards the Programme. These persons are the main contact persons for the Programme in a country or within the RFB/RFMO. The partner country or RFB/RFMO shall notify the Programme of the name and contact details of the institution and of the focal person(s) being designated.
- ii. The partner country or RFB/RFMO receiving the services of the Programme designates the institution/entity that will be the main partner for planning and carrying out surveys, and that will have the responsibility for receiving the data collected and representing the country or organisation as the national or regional "Co-Data Owner".
- iii. Depending on the designated institution/entity, either the Focal Point or Technical Focal Point (see point *i* above) shall be appointed as the "Nansen Data Focal Point" to handle any matter related to the data generated in the framework of the Programme.
- iv. The partner country or RFB/RFMO shall notify the Programme of the name and contact details of the institution/entity (Co-Data Owner) and Nansen Data Focal Point being designated.
- v. The designated institution/entity signs the NDP on behalf of the partner country or RFB/RFMO by returning the form in Annex I. The designated institution/entity ensures that data collected through the surveys, including within the EEZs of the

- partner country or waters under the given RFB/RFMO convention area are stored in appropriate databases, national or regional as applicable, and that access to these is regulated as established under this NDP. Upon receipt of each data set, the designated institution will confirm to the Programme and Data Custodian that the data and information has been received and stored in national or regional databases.
- vi. The Nansen Data Focal Point (see point *iii*) acts as the responsible official of its country or RFB/RFMO, jointly with the Programme, for assessing and clearing any data requests received, particularly from third parties, and provides a response regarding permission to access and use of the data.
- vii. Receives and considers requests for access to and use of the data and information and jointly agrees on appropriate action with the Programme, considering the potential for capacity development and this NDP.
- viii. Forwards request for access to or use of data by third parties, if received by the Co-Data Owner, to the Programme for consideration and discussion with the Nansen Data Focal Point.

## Responsibilities of FAO (as the Co-Data Owner) on behalf of the Programme

#### FAO on behalf of the Programme:

- i. Ensures that any person accessing data generated in the framework of the Programme is aware of the NDP and has signed the form reproduced in Annex II.
- ii. Acts as the repository of the Annexes I, II, III and IV.
- iii. Ensures that formal transfer of the data generated by the Programme to the responsible partner institution takes place within the terms agreed upon.
- iv. Ensures the appropriate use of the data in the context of the Programme and in line with agreed work plans.
- v. Enters into agreements with specialised institutions for analysis and curation of physical samples when required (e.g. for taxonomic or laboratory analytical work)
- vi. Receives and considers requests for access to and use of the data and information and jointly agrees on appropriate action with the relevant Nansen Data Focal Points, considering the potential for capacity development and this NDP.
- vii. Jointly with the Nansen Data Focal Points, prepares supplementary agreements with third parties to address data disclosure, purpose, confidentiality, transfer modalities, copyrights and intellectual property rights over products developed as a result of the collaboration between the Data Owners and third parties.
- viii. Requests IMR to deliver the requested data as per agreed format and modalities, if the request is approved.

## Responsibilities of the Institute of Marine Research (IMR)

The Institute of Marine Research (IMR):

- i. Acts as the custodian<sup>3</sup> of all data collected through the Programme on behalf of the Programme and all its partners. The role of IMR is to ensure quality control, assurance, maintenance and safeguarding data copies.
- ii. Ensures that any request for data access by IMR staff follows the terms of the NDP.
- iii. Forwards request for access to or use of data by third parties, if received at IMR, to the Programme for consideration and discussion with the Nansen Data Focal Point.
- iv. At the request of the Programme, prepares and provides datasets to partners and third parties in line with the agreed format and data transfer modalities.
- v. Ensures that procedures, equipment and personnel are available for capturing, processing, and storing data and information, as agreed in the plans and protocols of the studies.

## Responsibilities of key personnel generating data

For any activity carried out by the Nansen Programme that involves generation and processing of data, the person in charge of those ensure that him/her and any other individual involved in those activities comply with the NDP.

The **person in charge of any activity that generates data** ensures that all data are properly described, inventoried, and entered into the databases according to the established procedures. In addition, he/she ensures that at the end of every such activity, the national or regional Co-Data Owner and FAO receives a copy of the relevant raw data and reports. He/she shall also ensure adequate documentation on what data has been shared and with whom is produced and sent to the Co-Data Owner and FAO.

In case of the surveys with the research vessel, the **cruise leader** and **co-cruise leader** take the responsibilities described above.

## 8. STORAGE AND MANAGEMENT OF DATA

- i. All data collected by the Nansen Programme will be accompanied by appropriate metadata that describes and provides information such as time, location and type of data collected. This information can be presented at different levels of aggregation.
- ii. As indicated in section 7 above, IMR is the custodian and the manager of all data collected under the Programme and information directly derived from it.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Since the beginning of the Nansen programme in 1975, IMR has been the custodian of the survey data collected with the R/V *Dr. Fridtjof Nansen*. As from 2024, IMR is entrusted with the storage and management of all data generated by the Nansen Programme.

- iii. National and regional designated institutions have the responsibility of storing copies of the data collected from all activities of the Programme, and ensuring the safe-keeping of the data, as well as controlling access to these as established in this NDP.
- iv. IMR will facilitate delivery of data and information to the partner countries according to this Nansen Data Policy, upon request from the Programme.
- v. Management, storage, processing and analysis of samples and data, is planned and agreed with Programme partners as per the plans and protocols defined for each study. Specific agreements may be necessary with specialised institutions (e.g. museums, universities, laboratories or private institution etc.) for the curation and analysis of samples.
- vi. The institutions, where physical specimens are kept, will catalogue them according to international museum practices and codes of ethics, and physical specimens must be treated in accordance with the International Council of Museums (ICOM) international guiding principles for museums.
- vii. IMR and FAO will facilitate delivery of the samples in line with shipment standards and regulations to the identified partners for curation and further analysis consistent with this NDP and agreed procedures as indicated in agreements, deeds of donation, etc.).

## 9. REQUEST TO ACCESS THE DATA

- i. Requests for access to and use of the data shall be submitted to the Programme portal at FAO via the "Data Access Requests" page that ensures full confidentiality and traceability of requests and replies.
- ii. Following the receipt of a request, the Programme in consultation with the relevant Nansen Data Focal Point, will consider the request and provide a response within 15 business days.
- iii. Each request for data generated with the R/V DFN must include information on the use that will be made of the data as well as on the level of resolution and scale required. Use of the data is to be limited to the objectives specified in the request. A sample copy of the form that needs to be completed through the online platform is provided in Annex III for information.
- iv. Requests for any other type of data and information generated by the Programme should use the on-line form provided in Annex IV for information.

## 10. ACCESS TO AND USE OF DATA BY THE PROGRAMME, PARTNER COUNTRIES AND RFB/RFMO

i. Access and use of the data by the Nansen Programme, partner countries' designated institution(s) or RFB/RFMO in support of their own activities, including fishery

- resources working groups and/or scientific committees of partner RFBs/RFMOs, does not require any specific authorization.
- ii. FAO may use the data and information produced by the Programme in the context of its core mandate (e.g., State of World Fisheries and Aquaculture -SOFIA or CODEX Alimentarius) and in the framework of regional and international processes to which FAO contributes. Any other use of the data is subject to the conditions indicated in section 11 below.
- iii. IMR may use the data for supporting the agreed activities under the Programme subject to the conditions of the data policy. Any other use of the data is subject to the conditions indicated in section 11 below.
- iv. Appropriate reference to the Programme needs to be made for any use (see section 11 below refers).

#### 11. ACCESS TO AND USE OF SPECIFIC TYPES OF DATA BY THIRD PARTIES

- i. Any data generated in the framework of the Programme through collaboration/partnerships with third parties is subject to the NDP. Third parties may be authorised to generate, keep, and use the data, including re-distribution of the same, conditional to an agreement with FAO on behalf of the Programme and the Co-Data Owner. Third parties collaborating with any other project are also bound by this NDP.
- ii. In case an individual (e.g. national scientist, student) wishes to use the Programme's data, findings, analysis, e.g. in a thesis, this person is expected to introduce a request through the Nansen Programme Portal. The request will be assessed and if validated, it will be forwarded to FAO Copyright (copyright@fao.org). Permission will be provided by FAO Copyright through an email.
- iii. Access to third parties may be granted based on the following criteria:
  - a. Level of contribution to capacity development<sup>4</sup> in the partner countries or region the data is requested from, including planned publications.
  - b. Expected impact on fisheries research and management or other uses of marine and coastal systems.
  - c. Is not in contradiction or competition with ongoing or planned activities of the Programme.
  - d. For IGO's, data access may be granted based on the objective of the work (e.g. IPCC, Tsunami warning systems), subjective to the data only being used for the given purpose.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Examples of adequate and appropriate capacity building activities are expected be provided when submitting the Data Access Request on-line form.

- iv. Should access to and use of the data be agreed to, the Programme in consultation with the national or regional Nansen Data Focal Point, will prepare an agreement for the purpose of data disclosure and will authorise the data custodian (IMR) to release the data or information.
- v. Third parties can apply for pre-approval of regular delivery of some data type for specific purposes (see point ix below).
- vi. IMR, as the data custodian has no obligation to facilitate data deliveries in specific formats beyond what is readily available.
- vii. Preparation of data for third parties will be carried out depending on time availability of relevant staff in order not to affect the activities of the Programme.
- viii. Some specific data types may, through the way they are analysed, also be uploaded to international databases. These data are made accessible to public under various open access licences.
  - ix. Specifically, this applies to the below data:
    - a. Genetic sequencing data
    - b. Images for machine learning, e.g., Zooplankton image data from the FlowCam instrument (used for building an image recognition database)
    - c. Meteorological data to feed GTS and provide weather forecasts
    - d. Bathymetry data from ABNJs

## 12. NANSEN SURVEY REPORTS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS USING DATA FROM THE PROGRAMME

- i. A summary and a full survey report is prepared for each marine survey carried out with the R/V and delivered to the partner as per the MoU signed for the survey, with copies kept by FAO and IMR. The summary report of the survey includes survey metadata only. The full survey reports are accompanied by a complete electronic copy of the various data sets collected during the survey, subject to all aspects of the NDP.
- ii. For all other activities generating data, a field report with research observations, findings and recommendations, along with the data collected, analysis and interpretation will be delivered to the national or regional Co-Data Owner and to the Data Custodian.
- iii. All individuals and institutions, including students to prepare a thesis having been granted access to Nansen data should acknowledge the source of the data and the Programme in their publications using the text below or an equivalent formulation to be cleared by FAO.

"This paper/report uses data generated through the activities under the EAF-Nansen Programme as part of the collaboration between the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) on behalf of the EAF-Nansen Programme and [NAME OF COUNTRY/COUNTRIES/OR RFMO WHERE SURVEY TOOK PLACE]. The EAF-Nansen Programme is a partnership between the FAO, the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (Norad) and the Institute of Marine Research (IMR) in Norway for sustainable management of the fisheries in partner countries and regions".

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iv. The Programme must be provided with copies (printed and/or electronic) of all publications deriving from data and information obtained from the Nansen surveys.

## 13. DATA FROM COUNTRIES WHO ARE NOT CURRENTLY PART OF THE NANSEN PROGRAMME

This data policy also applies for data collected and information generated in countries and RFB not partners to the current phase of the Programme. Requests for data from such countries will follow the procedures described in this NDP.

#### 14. SIGNATURE

The Nansen Data Policy is to be signed by the designated authority on behalf of each partner country and regional organisation as specified in section 7 above. The form in Annex I is to be used for this purpose. The Parties agree that electronic signature of this Agreement using the Adobe-Acrobat tool shall be treated as valid and legally binding. The NDP shall be treated as original.

Scientists, experts and technicians are also expected to agree to the NDP as a pre-condition for participation in any survey or other activity in the framework of the Programme that will result in the generation of data. For each survey or relevant activity, a copy of the form in Annex II will be made available for the participants through the national or regional Nansen Data Focal Point for signature. The signed form must be returned to the Programme before any activity can be initiated.

# ANNEX I: Form to be signed by the person with delegated authority on behalf of a Country, Regional Organization, or Institution.

# POLICY ON THE ACCESS AND USE OF DATA AND SAMPLES COLLECTED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE EAF-NANSEN PROGRAMME INCLUDING THROUGH THE R/V DR. FRIDTJOF NANSEN SURVEYS (NANSEN DATA POLICY)

On behalf of .....

[Inser	t name of institution and country/regional organisation]:		
1.	I hereby acknowledge receipt of the Nansen Data Policy.		
2.	I have read the Nansen Data Policy and I agree with and accept all its principles and conditions, including the specific obligations with respect to ownership of, and use of data, confidentiality and storage of data and specimens and requests for data.		
3.	I will ensure that the Nansen Data Policy will be brought to the attention of all scientists and technicians who participate in the activities of the EAF-Nansen Programme and in particular the surveys by R/V <i>Dr. Fridtjof Nansen</i> , or who otherwise may use or have access to the data or samples collected within the framework of the Programme, for compliance.		
Name:			
Title: _			
Count	ry:		
Name	and address of Institution:		
Signat	ure		
Date _			

## Annex II: Form to be signed by participants attending surveys with the R/V Dr. Fridtjof Nansen and/or involved in the collection and processing of samples and data.

# POLICY ON THE ACCESS AND USE OF DATA AND SAMPLES COLLECTED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE EAF-NANSEN PROGRAMME INCLUDING THROUGH THE R/V DR. FRIDTJOF NANSEN SURVEYS (NANSEN DATA POLICY)

Survey:
Leg:
Date:
I hereby confirm that I have read the Nansen Data Policy and I agree to be bound by all of its principles and conditions, including the specific obligations with respect to ownership of and use of data, confidentiality of data, storage of data and specimens and requests for data.
Name:
Title:
Country:
Name and address of Institution:
Function on-board or in samples/data processing:
Signature
Date

## Annex III: Request for access to and use of R/V *Dr. Fridtjof Nansen* Survey Data <sup>5</sup>

A. Information on the applicant

Given Name: Surname/Family Name:
Institution:
Address:
City:Country:
Telephone:
E-mail address:
B. Specifications of data requested
Specify dataset:
Country /Region:
Survey(s) (include dates of survey):
Type of data:
Purpose for which data is requested:
Additional information:
Please provide a brief description of the scope of your request, including proposed objectives and potential benefits foreseen for Programme's partners, collaborations envisaged, and involvement of local scientists. The request will be appraised against these elements and its relevance to the work plans of the Programme's partners. The Nansen Data Focal Point and the Programme will jointly assess the request.
The use of the data is restricted to the applicant requesting the data. The disclosure of the data,

The request should be formally submitted via the '<u>Data Access Requests</u>' page on the EAF-Nansen Programme website using the forms on the website. In the event of any issues, please alert the Programme by sending an e-mail to <u>info-eaf-nansen@fao.org</u> or by using the contact option available on the '<u>Data Access Requests</u>' page.

use, transfer to third parties, acknowledgement, reproduction, intellectual property rights and

copyrights shall be the subject of a specific data sharing agreement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The form is provided for general information purpose only. Formal application should be submitted through electronic processes, and these may use a different format, or request additional information.

## Annex IV: Request for access to and use of data non linked to marine surveys carried out with the R/V DFN

## A. Information on the applicant

Given Name: Surname/Family Name:
Institution:
Address:
City:Country:
Telephone:
E-mail address:
B. Specifications of data requested
Specify dataset:
Country /Region:
Survey(s) (include dates of survey):
Type of data:
Purpose for which data is requested:
Additional information:

Please provide a brief description of the scope of your request, including proposed objectives and potential benefits foreseen for Programme's partners, collaborations envisaged, and involvement of local scientists. The request will be appraised against these elements and its relevance to the work plans of the Programme's partners. The Nansen Data Focal Point and the Programme will jointly assess the request.

The use of the data is restricted to the applicant requesting the data. The disclosure of the data, use, transfer to third parties, acknowledgement, reproduction, intellectual property rights and copyrights shall be the subject of a specific data sharing agreement.

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