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**Session type:** Workshop

**Duration:** 30 minutes

**Key Stage:** FE & HE

### **Main Topics Covered**

- Fisheries – methods, management and sustainability

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### **Session Overview**

Our Behind the Scenes – Fisheries sessions are an extra 30-minute excursion that take place as part of an interactive tour. During the extra 30 minutes, we will visit Plymouth fish market and see the various fishing vessels with their equipment for demersal fishing. Discussions will be held around the different equipment and methods used for catching different species of commercial fish. We will also look inside the fish market itself and talk about how the space is used in terms of sorting, weighing and auctioning the catches of the boats registered to Plymouth fisheries.

The themes covered within the fish market can be continued in the Aquarium itself with discussions around fishing sustainability and technology for its improvement, management and law.

This 2.5 hour session can cover topics that are of interest to your students and their module or course.

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### **Topics that can be covered within your tour**

- Fishing methods, boats, equipment and catches
- Fishing sustainability, i.e. bycatch, habitat damage and fishery overexploitation of fish stocks
- Technologies to improve fisheries sustainability
- Fisheries law, i.e. quotas, total allowable catches, Common Fisheries Policy, landing obligations and logbooks
- Fisheries management
- Marine Conservation Zones and how they improve fisheries and sustainability
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### **Learning Outcomes**

Students will:

- Have a deeper understanding of Plymouth fisheries and the types of fishing that takes place from Plymouth
- Know about the problems associated with fisheries sustainability in terms of bycatch, habitat damage and overexploitation of fish stocks
- Be aware of technologies that are in existence or are being developed to aid the sustainability of fisheries

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