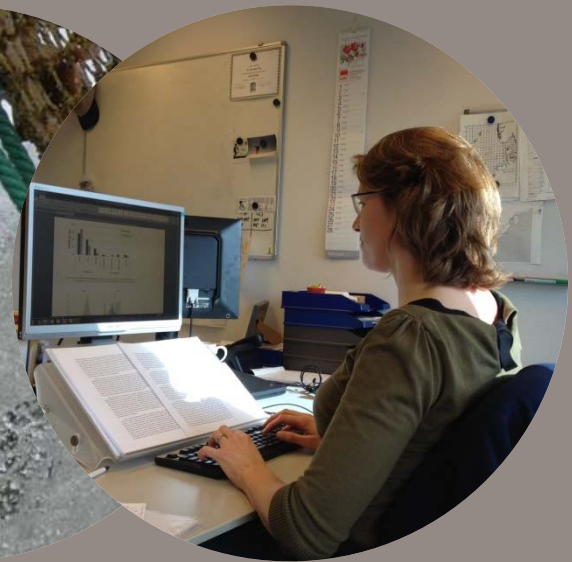


# Dealing with changes of plan in fisheries-science collaborations

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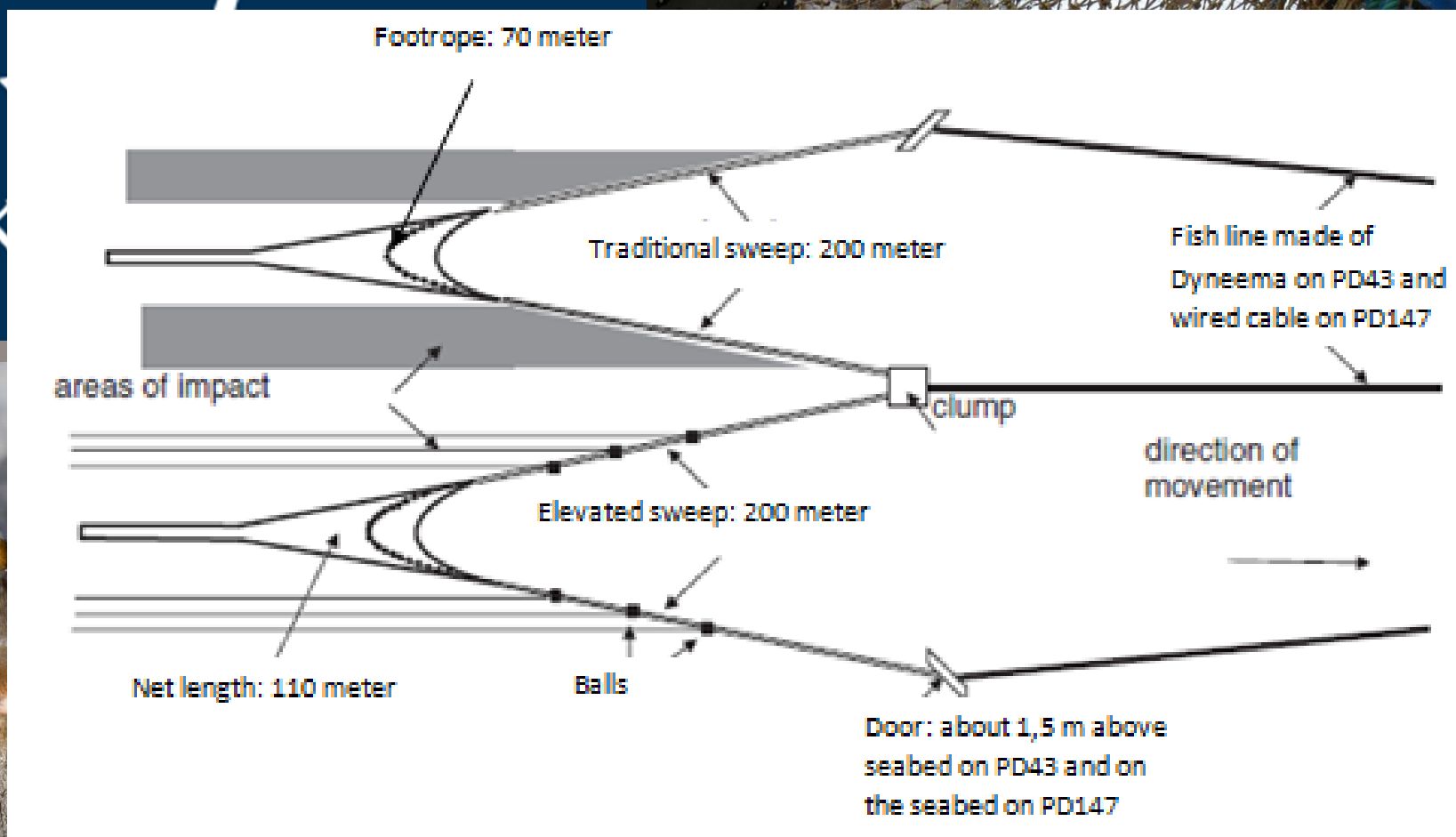
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# Plan for catch comparison between old and new gear

- Phase 1: gear testing
- Phase 2: gear optimisation – portside/starboard comparisons
- Phase 3: final catch comparison using two vessels



# Phase 1: material too late – delay!

- Overlap with phase 2 (optimisation)
- Gear problems and low catches

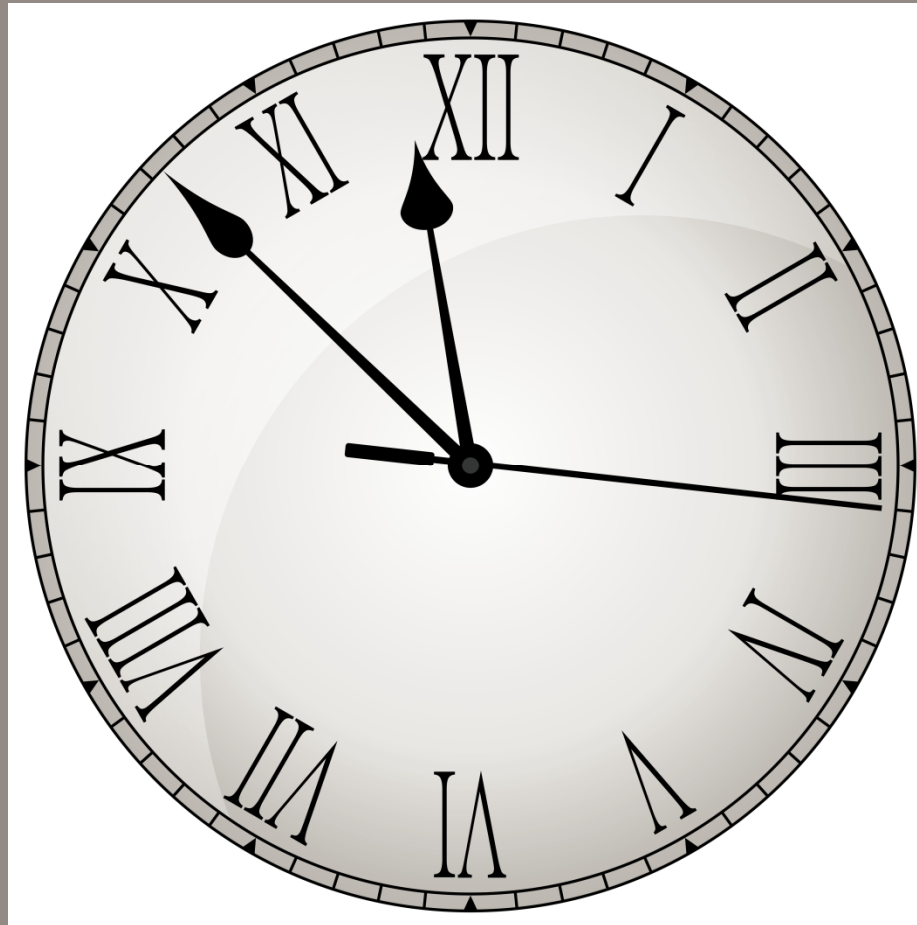
→ Change of plans: gear optimisation on 2 vessels - PD147 (conventional gear) and PD43 (new gear)



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## Phase 2: side-by-side fishing not that easy

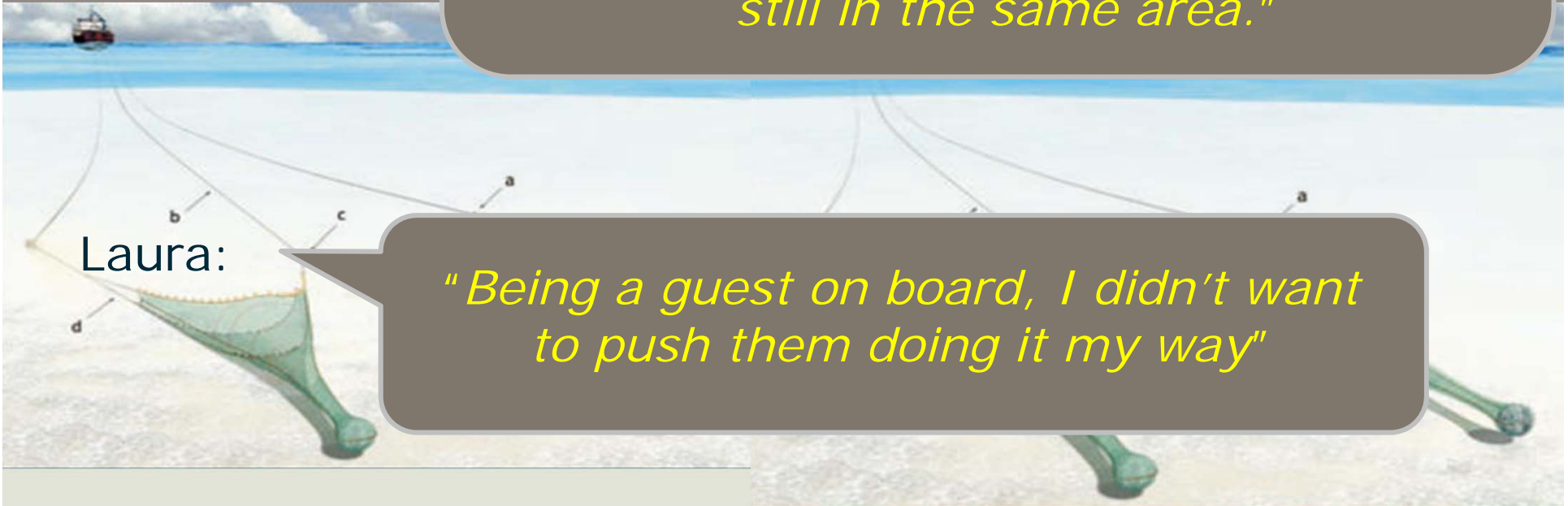
Skipper about  
side-by-side  
fishing:

*"It was hard: my brother and I are competitive, so we wanted to go our own way"*

*"If there's one mile in between, we're still in the same area."*

Laura:

*"Being a guest on board, I didn't want to push them doing it my way"*

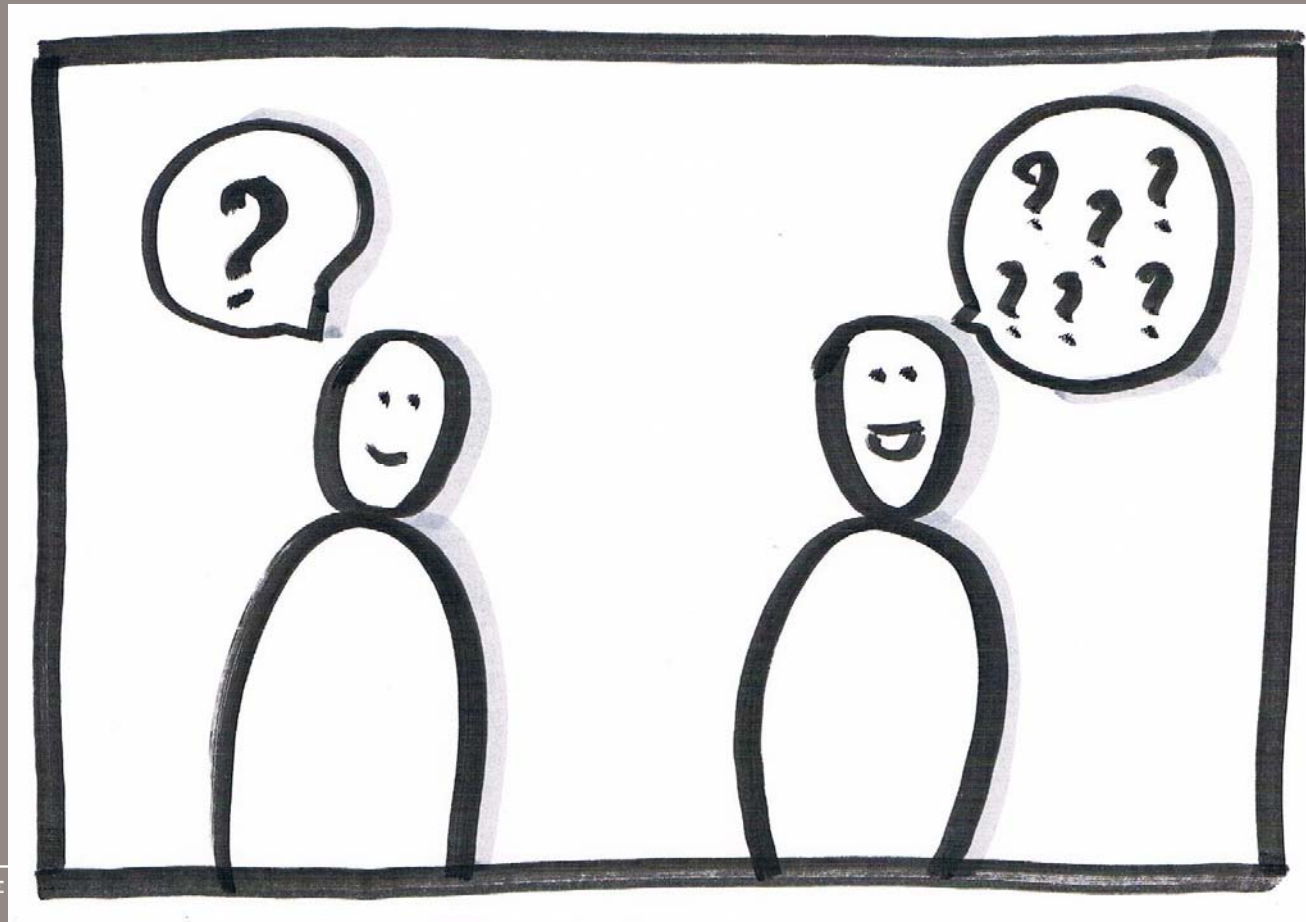




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## Phase 3: observer trip for final sampling delayed several times

Project  
manager:

*"We had to arrange everything quickly, a meeting with everyone involved wasn't possible anymore"*

*"I phoned the skippers and had to assume that would be sufficient"*



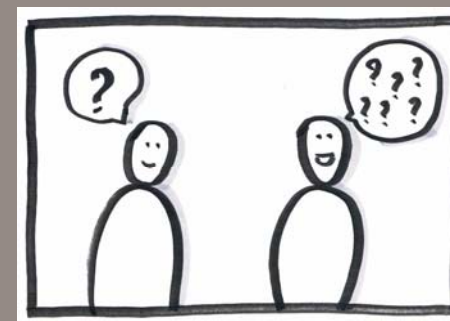
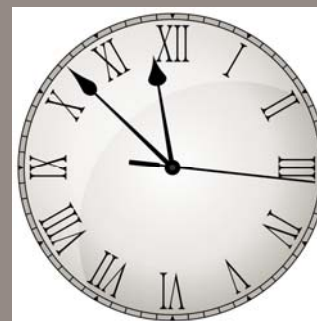
Owner:

*"planning a meeting is difficult: once the vessel is in a profitable fishery, they will not come back for a meeting"*

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# Thank you!

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