Workshop Objectives:

- Establish a common understanding of the goals and objectives of this Atlantic Cod Stock Structure Workshop series
- Summarize the historical and current data availability for Gulf of Maine Stocks
- Identify additional data that is available or upcoming research that could be used to inform the cod assessment for Gulf of Maine Stocks.
- Generate initial data gaps and ideas for research to improve the assessment prospects for Gulf of Maine Stocks

1:00 Welcome and Introductions
1:10 Goals and Objectives of the Science/Assessment Workshops
1:20 Quick Review of the Cod Stock Structure Working Group Results
1:30 Stock Assessment Data and Building Blocks
1:50 Stock Area Data Overview – Western Gulf of Maine
2:40 BREAK
2:55 Discussion on Western Gulf of Maine Data
   - Given the goal to inform the science and management of a five stock structure, is there data that hasn’t been listed today that would be pertinent to the assessment?
   - Are you aware of any upcoming, ongoing or future studies that would be relevant?

3:15 Stock Area Data Overview and Discussion – Eastern Gulf of Maine
   - Given the goal to inform the science and management of a five stock structure, is there data that hasn’t been listed today that would be pertinent to the assessment?
   - Are you aware of any upcoming, ongoing or future studies that would be relevant?

4:10 Discussion of Data/Research Needs
   - What are the priority research needs and data gaps to recommend to the cod assessment working group to better assess cod under a five stock structure?

4:45 Overview of Next Steps
5:00 Adjourn