



This study is concerned with the management of fisheries in the coastal waters of the Skagerrak Sea in Western Sweden. With the help of a *common pool resource* perspective, it analyses problems of coastal fisheries and elaborates on their implications for management. The study provides a critical analysis of the dominant centralised co-management regime, which has dissociated conservation from allocation and tends to block, or at least delay, the emergence of institutions using local fishermen's management capacities. It further examines two local management initiatives. The findings are discussed in the light of the ongoing Swedish policy debate on coastal fisheries.

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