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**DRAFT: AGENDA FOR THE 12<sup>TH</sup> WORKING PARTY ON DATA  
COLLECTION AND STATISTICS**

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**Date:** 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016

**Location:** Seychelles

**Venue:** Eden Blue Hotel conference room, Eden Island

**Time:** 09:00 – 17:00 daily

**Chair:** Dr Emmanuel Chassot (EU,France); **Vice-Chair:** Mr Stephen Ndegwa (Kenya)

- 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING** (Chair)
- 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION** (Chair)
- 3. THE IOTC PROCESS: OUTCOMES, UPDATES AND PROGRESS** (IOTC Secretariat)
  - 3.1 Outcomes of the 18<sup>th</sup> Session of the Scientific Committee and of the 20<sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission
  - 3.3 Review of Conservation and Management Measures relevant to the WPDCS
  - 3.4 Progress on the recommendations of WPDCS11
- 4. PROGRESS REPORT OF THE SECRETARIAT ON DATA RELATED ISSUES** (IOTC Secretariat)
  - 4.1 IOTC Secretariat Report
  - 4.2 Dissemination of IOTC data sets and documents
    - 4.2.1 IOTC Data Summary: Update
    - 4.2.2 Tagging database: Update
    - 4.2.3 IOTC website data pages: Discussion of potential improvements
- 5. UPDATE ON NATIONAL STATISTICAL SYSTEMS** (CPCs)
  - 5.1 Update on national statistical systems, including the main challenges in collecting and reporting data to the IOTC Secretariat and proposals to improve future levels of compliance with IOTC data requirements.
  - 5.2 Further analysis of length frequency data and likely impacts on the assessments (IOTC Secretariat & CPCs)
- 6. REVIEW OF DATA REQUIREMENTS IN CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES RELEVANT TO THE WPDCS** (IOTC Secretariat)
  - 6.1 Data reporting (to the IOTC Secretariat)
    - 6.1.1 Resolution 15/02 *On mandatory statistical reporting requirements for IOTC Contracting Parties and Cooperating Non-Contracting Parties (CPCs)*
    - 6.1.2 Resolution 16/01 *On an interim plan for rebuilding the Indian Ocean yellowfin tuna stock*
  - 6.2 Regional Observer Scheme
    - 6.2.1 Resolution 11/04 *On a regional observer scheme*
    - 6.2.2 Resolution 16/04 *On the implementation of a pilot project in view of promoting the Regional Observer Scheme of IOTC*
    - 6.2.3 Discussion of observer coverage rates
    - 6.2.4 Update on implementation of the IOTC interim ROS templates
    - 6.2.5 IOTC ROS capacity building activities in 2016/17

6.2.6 ROS E-reporting and E-monitoring projects

6.3 Data recording (logbooks)

6.3.1 Resolution 15/01 *On the recording of catch and effort data by fishing vessels in the IOTC area of competence*

6.3.2 Resolution 15/08 *Procedures on a fish aggregating devices (FADs) management plan, including a limitation on the number of FADs, more detailed specifications of catch reporting from FAD sets, and the development of improved FAD designs to reduce the incidence of entanglement of non-target species*

**7 CAPACITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES: DATA COLLECTION AND PROCESSING IN COASTAL COUNTRIES, AND COMPLIANCE WITH MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS (IOTC Secretariat)**

**8 DATA COLLECTION STANDARDS FOR ARTISANAL FISHERIES**

**9 FISHERIES INFORMATION SYSTEMS, INCLUDING DEVELOPMENTS IN THE NEW IOTC DATABASE AND DISSEMINATION (Chair & IOTC Secretariat)**

**10 BDEP DATABASE INITIATIVE: BYCATCH DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING BETWEEN TUNA RFMOs**

**11 WPDCS PROGRAM OF WORK (Chair & IOTC Secretariat)**

11.1 Revision of the WPDCS Program of Work 2017–2021

**12 OTHER BUSINESS**

12.1 Date and place of the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Sessions of the WPDCS: 2017 & 2018 (Chair)

12.2 Review of the draft, and adoption of the report of the 12<sup>th</sup> Session of the WPDCS (Chair)