
DRAFT: AGENDA FOR THE 7TH WORKING PARTY ON NERITIC TUNAS

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Date: 10–13 July 2017

Location: Malé, Maldives

Venue: STELCO Training Room

Time: 09:00 – 17:00 daily

Chair: Dr Farhad Kaymaram; **Vice-Chair:** Dr Mathias Igulu

- 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**
 - 3.1 Outcomes of the 19th Session of the Scientific Committee (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 3.2 Outcomes of the 21st Session of the Commission (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 3.3 Review of Conservation and Management Measures relevant to neritic tunas (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 3.4 Progress on the recommendations of WPNT06 (IOTC Secretariat)
- 4. NEW INFORMATION ON FISHERIES AND ASSOCIATED ENVIRONMENTAL DATA FOR NERITIC TUNAS**
 - 4.1 Review of the statistical data available for neritic tunas (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 4.2 Review new information on fisheries and associated environmental data (general CPC papers)
- 5. LONGTAIL TUNA – REVIEW OF NEW INFORMATION ON STOCK STATUS**
 - 5.1 Review new information on the biology, ecology, stock structure, their fisheries and associated environmental data for longtail tuna (CPC papers)
 - 5.2 Data for input into stock assessments:
 - Catch and effort
 - Catch at size
 - Growth curves and age-length key
 - Catch at age
 - CPUE indices and standardised CPUE indices
 - Tagging data
 - 5.3 Stock assessment updates
 - 5.4 Selection of Stock Status indicators
 - 5.5 Development of technical advice on the status of longtail tuna
- 6. NARROW-BARRED SPANISH MACKEREL – REVIEW OF NEW INFORMATION ON STOCK STATUS**
 - 6.1 Review new information on the biology, ecology, stock structure, their fisheries and associated environmental data for narrow-barred Spanish mackerel (CPC papers)
 - 6.2 Data for input into stock assessments:
 - Catch and effort
 - Catch at size
 - Growth curves and age-length key
 - Catch at age
 - CPUE indices and standardised CPUE indices
 - Tagging data
 - 6.3 Stock assessment updates
 - 6.4 Selection of Stock Status indicators
 - 6.5 Development of technical advice on the status of narrow-barred Spanish mackerel
- 7. OTHER NERITIC TUNA SPECIES – REVIEW OF NEW INFORMATION ON STOCK STATUS**

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- 7.1 Review new information on the biology, stock structure, fisheries and associated environmental data (all)
 - 7.2 Data for input into stock assessments (all)
 - 7.3 Stock assessment updates (all)
 - 7.4 Stock status indicators for other neritic tuna species (all)
 - 7.5 Development of management advice for other neritic tuna species (all)

8. PROGRAM OF WORK (RESEARCH AND PRIORITIES)

- 8.1 Revision of the WPNT Program of Work 2018–2022 (Chair)
- 8.2 Development of priorities for an Invited Expert at the next WPNT meeting

9. OTHER BUSINESS

- 9.1 Election of a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson of the WPNT for the next biennium
- 9.2 Date and place of the 8th and 9th Working Party on Neritic Tunas (Chair)
- 9.3 Review of the draft, and adoption of the Report of the 7th Working Party on Neritic Tunas (Chair)