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**PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA FOR THE SEVENTEENTH SESSION  
OF THE COMMISSION**

Updated: 26 April 2013

**Date:** 6–10 May, 2013

**Location:** Grand Baie International Conference Centre (GBICC)  
Royal Road, Grand Baie, Mauritius

**Time:** 09:00 – 17:00 daily

**Chair:** Mr. Mauree Daroomalingum; **Vice-Chair:** Ms. Anna Willock

1. **OPENING OF THE SESSION** (Chair)
2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION** (Chair)
  - IOTC-2013-S17-01a: Provisional agenda for the Seventeenth Session of the Commission
  - IOTC-2013-S17-01b: Provisional annotated agenda for the Seventeenth Session of the Commission
  - IOTC-2013-S17-02: Draft list of documents for the Seventeenth Session of the Commission
  - IOTC-2013-S17-03: Draft indicative schedule for the Seventeenth Session of the Commission (and SCAF10)
  - IOTC-2013-S17-04: Draft list of participants for the Seventeenth Session of the Commission
3. **ADMISSION OF OBSERVERS** (Chair)

*In accordance with Article VII: 'Observers' of the IOTC Agreement, and Rule XIII: 'Participation by observers' of the IOTC Rules of Procedure, the list of Observers present from FAO Members and Associate Members of FAO, intergovernmental organisations, non-governmental organisations, consultants and experts, will be presented by the Chair.*
4. **REPORT OF THE 15<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE** (SC Chair)
  - IOTC-2012-SC15-R: Report of the Sixteenth Session of the IOTC Scientific Committee
5. **REPORT OF THE 2<sup>ND</sup> SESSION OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON ALLOCATION CRITERIA** (TCAC Chair)
  - IOTC-2013-TCAC02-R: Report of the Second Session of the IOTC Technical Committee on Allocation Criteria
6. **REPORT OF THE 10<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE** (CoC Chair)
  - IOTC-2013-CoC10-R: Report of the Tenth Session of the IOTC Compliance Committee
7. **REPORT OF THE 10<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE** (SCAF Chair)
  - IOTC-2013-SCAF10-R: Report of the Tenth Session of the IOTC Standing Committee on Administration and Finance
8. **PERFORMANCE REVIEW UPDATE (RESOLUTION 09/01 ON THE PERFORMANCE REVIEW FOLLOW-UP)** (Chair & Secretariat)
  - IOTC-2013-S17-05: Performance review update (Resolution 2009/01 on the performance review follow-up) (Chair).
9. **REPORT OF THE CMM COMPENDIUM WORKING GROUP (RESOLUTION 11/01 REGARDING CONSOLIDATION OF IOTC RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS)** (WG Chair)
  - IOTC-2013-S17-06: Outcomes of the Working Groups Deliberations on Resolution 11/01 regarding consolidation of IOTC Resolutions and Recommendations

**10. RULES OF PROCEDURE** (Chair)

*Amendments or additions to these Rules may be adopted on the motion of any delegation by a two thirds majority of the Members of the Commission at any plenary meeting of the Commission provided that copies of the proposals for amendment or addition have been distributed or circulated to the delegations at least 60 days before the session of the Commission.*

- IOTC–2013–S17–07: Proposal to revise the IOTC Rules of Procedure, based on the recommendation from the compendium working group.

**11. CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES** (Members)

*Noting that in 2012, the Commission reiterated its previous AGREEMENT that the 30 day rule shall be strictly applied for all future Sessions unless otherwise agreed. Specifically, no proposals for new or revised Conservation or Management Measures shall be accepted by the Secretariat for the Commissions consideration, if received after the 30 day deadline. (para 88, S16 report).*

- IOTC–2013–S17–08: Current conservation and management measures requiring action by the Commission in 2013 (Secretariat)
- Proposals**
- IOTC–2013–S17–PropA On the removal of obsolete Conservation and Management Measures – **Australia & European Union** (to replace a range of CMMs)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropB On the conservation of sharks – **Australia & Maldives** (revision of Resolution 05/05)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropC On conservation of shark caught in association with fisheries managed by IOTC – **European Union** (revision of Resolution 05/05)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropD On the conservation of whale sharks (*Rhincodon typus*) – **Australia & Maldives** (new proposal)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropE On the conservation of silky sharks (*Carcharhinus falciformis*) caught in association with fisheries managed by IOTC – **European Union** (new proposal)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropF On the conservation of oceanic whitetip sharks (*Carcharhinus longimanus*) caught in association with IOTC managed fisheries – **European Union** (new proposal)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropG On the conservation of hammerhead sharks (Family Sphyrnidae) caught in association with fisheries managed by IOTC – **European Union** (new proposal)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropH On the conservation of cetaceans – **Australia & Maldives** (new proposal)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropI On the recording of catch and effort by fishing vessels in the IOTC area of competence – **Mozambique** (revision of Resolution 12/03)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropJ On the recording of catch and effort by fishing vessels in the IOTC area of competence – **European Union** (revision of Resolution 12/03)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropK Mandatory statistical reporting requirements for IOTC Members and Cooperating Non-Contracting Parties (CPC'S) – **Mozambique** (revision of Resolution 10/02)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropL Mandatory statistical reporting requirements for IOTC Members and Cooperating Non-Contracting Parties (CPC'S) – **European Union** (revision of Resolution 10/02)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropM On a ban on discards of bigeye tuna, skipjack tuna, yellowfin tuna and non targeted species caught by purse seine vessels in the IOTC area of competence – **Seychelles** (revision of Recommendation 10/13)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropN On interim target and limit reference points – **Maldives** (revision of Recommendation 12/14)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropO On the implementation of an interim harvest control rule for skipjack tuna – **Maldives** (new proposal)
  - IOTC–2013–S17–PropP Concerning the IOTC record of vessels authorised to operate in the IOTC area of competence – **Mozambique** (revision of Resolution 07/02)

- IOTC–2013–S17–PropQ On establishing a list of vessels presumed to have carried out illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing in the IOTC area of competence – **Mozambique** (revision of Resolution 11/03)
- IOTC–2013–S17–PropR Concerning a record of licensed foreign vessels fishing for IOTC species in the IOTC area of competence and access agreement information – **Mozambique** (revision of Resolution 12/07)
- IOTC–2013–S17–PropS Prohibiting the abandonment of fish aggregating devices (FADs) on the high seas in the IOTC area of competence **France(OT)** (new proposal)
- IOTC–2013–S17–PropT Procedures on a fish aggregating devices (FADs) management plan, including 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 – **European Union** (revision of Resolution 12/08)
- IOTC–2013–S17–PropU Procedures on a fish aggregating devices (FADs) management plan – **Mauritius** (revision of Resolution 12/08)
- IOTC–2013–S17–PropV On an IOTC tropical tuna – bigeye tuna, skipjack tuna and yellowfin tuna, catch certification scheme – **European Union** (new proposal)
- IOTC–2013–S17–PropW On penalties to be applied in case of non fulfilment of reporting obligations in the IOTC – **European Union** (new proposal)
- IOTC–2013–S17–PropX On the conservation of albacore caught in the IOTC area of competence – **European Union** (new proposal)

## 12. OTHER BUSINESS (Chair)

### 12.1 Proposal for a statement on piracy (European Union)

- IOTC–2013–S17–09: Statement of the IOTC plenary on piracy in the western part of the IOTC area of competence – 2013

### 12.2 Election of a Chair and Vice-Chair/s for the next biennium

IOTC Agreement: Article VI. Sessions of the Commission: Paragraph 6: *The Commission shall elect its Chairperson and no more than (two) Vice-Chairpersons, each of whom shall serve for a term of two years and shall be eligible for re-election but shall not serve for more than four years in succession. In electing the Chairperson and the Vice-Chairpersons the Commission shall pay due regard to the need for an equitable representation from among the Indian Ocean States.*

## 13. DATE AND PLACE OF THE 18<sup>th</sup> SESSION OF THE COMMISSION AND OF THE COMMISSIONS SUBSIDIARY BODIES (Chair)

## 14. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE 17<sup>th</sup> SESSION OF THE COMMISSION (Chair)