



**DRAFT: AGENDA FOR THE 16TH WORKING PARTY ON
TROPICAL TUNAS**

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Location: Ramada Bintang Bali Resort, Jalan Kartika Plaza, Tuban, Kuta
Bali, Indonesia

Time: 09:00 – 17:00 daily

Chair: Dr. Hilario Murua; **Vice-Chair:** Dr. Shiham Adam

1. **OPENING OF THE MEETING** (Chair)
2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION** (Chair)
3. **OUTCOMES OF THE 16th SESSION OF THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE** (IOTC Secretariat)
4. **OUTCOMES OF SESSIONS OF THE COMMISSION** (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 4.1 Outcomes of the 18th Session of the Commission (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 4.2 Review of Conservation and Management Measures relevant to tropical tunas (IOTC Secretariat)
5. **PROGRESS ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF WPTT15** (IOTC Secretariat)
6. **NEW INFORMATION ON FISHERIES AND ASSOCIATED ENVIRONMENTAL DATA RELATING TO TROPICAL TUNAS**
 - 6.1 Review new information on fisheries and associated environmental data (CPC papers)
7. **BIGEYE TUNA – REVIEW OF NEW INFORMATION ON STOCK STATUS**
 - 7.1 Review of the statistical data available for bigeye tuna (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 7.2 Review new information on the biology, ecology, stock structure, their fisheries and associated environmental data for bigeye tuna (CPC papers)
 - 7.3 Data for input into stock assessments (indicators):
 - Catch and effort
 - Catch at size
 - Growth curves and age-length key
 - Catch at age
 - CPUE indices and standardised CPUE indices
 - Tagging data
 - 7.4 Stock assessment updates
 - 7.5 Selection of Stock Status indicators
 - 7.6 Development of technical advice on the status of bigeye tuna
8. **SKIPJACK TUNA – REVIEW OF NEW INFORMATION ON STOCK STATUS**
 - 8.1 Review of the statistical data available for skipjack tuna (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 8.2 Review new information on the biology, ecology, stock structure, their fisheries and associated environmental data for skipjack tuna (CPC papers)
 - 8.3 Data for input into stock assessments (indicators):
 - Catch and effort
 - Catch at size
 - Growth curves and age-length key
 - Catch at age
 - CPUE indices and standardised CPUE indices

- Tagging data
 - 8.4 Selection of Stock Status indicators
 - 8.5 Development of technical advice on the status of skipjack tuna
 - 8.6 Progress on the development of Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE) and Harvest Control Rules (HCR) for skipjack tuna
- 9. YELLOWFIN TUNA – REVIEW OF NEW INFORMATION ON STOCK STATUS**
- 9.1 Review of the statistical data available for yellowfin tuna (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 9.2 Review new information on the biology, ecology, stock structure, their fisheries and associated environmental data for yellowfin tuna (CPC papers)
 - 9.3 Data for input into stock assessments (indicators):
 - Catch and effort
 - Catch at size
 - Growth curves and age-length key
 - Catch at age
 - CPUE indices and standardised CPUE indices
 - Tagging data
 - 9.4 Selection of Stock Status indicators
 - 9.5 Development of technical advice on the status of yellowfin tuna
- 10. EFFECT OF PIRACY ON TROPICAL TUNA CATCHES**
- 11. RESEARCH RECOMMENDATIONS AND PRIORITIES**
- 11.1 Revision of the WPTT Program of Work (2015–2019)
 - 11.2 Development of priorities for an Invited Expert at the next WPTT meeting
- 12. OTHER BUSINESS**
- 12.1 Election of a Chairperson of the WPTT for the next biennium
 - 12.2 Date and place of the 17th Session of the WPTT
 - 12.3 Review of the draft, and adoption of the Report of the 16th Session of the WPTT