
DRAFT: AGENDA FOR THE 6TH WORKING PARTY ON NERITIC TUNAS

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Date: 21–24 June 2016

Location: Mahé, Seychelles

Venue: Coral Strand Hotel, Beau Vallon

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)

- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-01a: Agenda of the 6th Working Party on Neritic Tunas
- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-01b: Annotated agenda of the 6th Working Party on Neritic Tunas
- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-03: List of documents of the 6th Working Party on Neritic Tunas

3. THE IOTC PROCESS: OUTCOMES, UPDATES AND PROGRESS

3.1 Outcomes of the 18th Session of the Scientific Committee (IOTC Secretariat)

- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-03: Outcomes of the 18th Session of the Scientific Committee (IOTC Secretariat)

3.2 Outcomes of the 20th Session of the Commission (IOTC Secretariat)

- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-04: Outcomes of the 20th Session of the Commission (IOTC Secretariat)

3.3 Review of Conservation and Management Measures relevant to neritic tunas (IOTC Secretariat)

- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-05: Review of current Conservation and Management Measures relating to neritic tuna species (IOTC Secretariat)

3.4 Progress on the recommendations of WPNT06 and SC18 (IOTC Secretariat)

- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-06: Progress made on the recommendations and requests of WPNT05 and SC18 (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)

- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-07: Review of the statistical data available for the neritic tuna species (IOTC Secretariat)
- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-09: Changes to the IOTC database and implications for neritic tuna species (IOTC Secretariat)

4.2 Review new information on fisheries and associated environmental data (general CPC papers)

- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-11: Review of neritic tuna fishery in the Maldives (M. Ahusan)
- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-12: Assessment of social consideration on neritic tuna in Iran fishery management (R. Naderi)
- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-13: Method of data collection in the Andaman Sea (T. Jaiyen, S. Panjarat and P. Nootmorn)
- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-14: Towards improvement of neritic tuna data in artisanal fishery (I. Wafula, S. Ndegwa)
- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-15: Fishery, biology and population characteristics of neritic tuna in the West Coast Of Peninsular Malaysia (S. Jamon, E. M. Faizal and S. Basir)
- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-16: A Productivity Susceptibility Analysis for neritic tuna species (J. Robinson)
- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-INF02: A comparison of PSA and SAFE methods (S. Zhou)
- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-23: A review of artisanal tuna fisheries statistical data collection system in Coastal East Africa (M. Igulu)
- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-24: Update on the neritic tuna fisheries of Pakistan (Khan, M.M., Nawaz, R. and Ayub, S.)
- IOTC-2016-WPNT06-10: Overview of the pilot sampling project of artisanal fisheries in North and West Sumatra: implications on IOTC catch estimates of neritic tunas in Indonesia. (IOTC Secretariat)

- IOTC–2016–WPNT06–INF01: BOBLME-DGCF-IOTC-OFCE Pilot Project: Collection of Data from Tuna Fisheries in the Provinces of West Sumatra and North Sumatra in Indonesia (K.Sakonju)

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
 - IOTC–2016–WPNT06–17: Assessment of Indian Ocean longtail tuna (*Thunnus tonggol*) using data poor catch-based methods (IOTC Secretariat)
- 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
 - IOTC–2016–WPNT06–18: Assessment of Indian Ocean narrow-barred Spanish mackerel (*Scomberomorus commerson*) using data poor catch-based methods (IOTC Secretariat)
- 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

- 7.1 Review new information on the biology, stock structure, fisheries and associated environmental data (all)
 - IOTC–2016–WPNT06–19: Size distribution and reproductive aspects of *Auxis* spp. From west coast Sumatera, Eastern Indian Ocean (A.R.P.Prawira et al.)
 - IOTC–2016–WPNT06–20: Exploring gear-vessel catch efficiency of frigate tuna (*Auxis thazard*) in tuna fishery in Sri Lanka (S.S.K. Haputhantri)
 - IOTC–2016–WPNT06–22: Genetic Stock Structure and Phylogenetic Relationship of Kawakawa *Euthynnus affinis* – Cantor (1849) in the Northern Coastal Waters of Tanzania Using Mitochondrial DNA Control Region (Johnson M.G, Mgaya Y.D and Shaghude Y.W)
- 7.2 Data for input into stock assessments (all)
- 7.3 Stock assessment updates (all)
 - IOTC–2016–WPNT06–21: Assessment of Indian Ocean Indo-Pacific king mackerel (*Scomberomorus guttatus*) using data poor catch-based methods (IOTC Secretariat)
- 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 2017–2021 (Chair)
 - IOTC-2016-WPNT06-08: Revision of the WPNT Program of Work (2017–2021) (IOTC Secretariat)
- 8.2 Development of priorities for an Invited Expert at the next WPNT meeting

9. OTHER BUSINESS

- 9.2 Date and place of the 7th and 8th Working Party on Neritic Tunas (Chair)
- 9.3 Review of the draft, and adoption of the Report of the 6th Working Party on Neritic Tunas (Chair)