

# 25<sup>th</sup> Scientific Committee Meeting of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission Victoria, Seychelles

05 December – 09 December 2022

Hosted by



## 1. VENUE

The Scientific Committee Meeting will be held from the 05 December – 09 December 2022, from 09:00 to 16:00 daily

The venue of the meetings will be:

<http://www.edenbleu.com/eden-bleu>



## 2. Contacts

The contacts at the IOTC Secretariat are:

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## 3. Funding

### *IOTC Meeting Participation Fund (MPF)*

The participation of up to two representatives from developing Members of the IOTC may be supported through the IOTC Meeting Participation Fund (MPF). The applications for the MPF, must be received by the IOTC Secretariat ([iotc-secretariat@fao.org](mailto:iotc-secretariat@fao.org)) **no later than 21 October** before the start of the meeting. **NOTE – this 45-day deadline will be strictly enforced.**

Rules of procedure for the administration of the IOTC Meeting Participation Fund as well as guidelines for applying to the MPF can be found in Appendix VIII of the IOTC Rules of Procedure (2022):

[IOTC rules of procedure - click here.](#)

Please be reminded that there is no provision in the IOTC Rules of Procedure (2022) for the IOTC Secretariat to consider late applications to the MPF:

[IOTC rules of procedure - click here.](#)

## Credentials

In accordance with Rule III of the IOTC Rules of Procedure (2014), official credentials are required to participate in the meetings. For your convenience, a draft letter of credentials (from Appendix I of the IOTC Rules of Procedure, 2022) is available [here](#).

## 4. HEALTH ENTRY AND STAY CONDITIONS FOR TRAVELLERS

### Health Entry and Stay Conditions for Travellers

Interim Conditions v4.1; with effect from 15 March 2022; Ministry of Health.

#### Key Changes from v4.1 –

- Pre-travel COVID-19 testing requirements are eased for fully vaccinated travellers to Seychelles.

#### Visitors to Seychelles

	Procedures and Conditions <sup>1</sup>	
	Fully Vaccinated or recent past infection	Not Fully Vaccinated or Never vaccinated
Definition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aged 18y+ - primary series (2 doses typically) + booster, if &gt;6 months has passed from completion of primary series.</li> <li>• Aged 12-18y – primary series only.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not meeting requirements defined under fully vaccinated.</li> </ul>
Pre-Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Entry from All Countries.</li> <li>• No need for pre-travel negative COVID-19 test.</li> <li>• Complete Travel Authorisation at <a href="http://seychelles.govtas.com">seychelles.govtas.com</a>.</li> <li>• Valid Travel &amp; Health insurance to cover COVID-19 related quarantine, isolation or treatment.</li> <li>• Where recent past COVID-19 infection (between 2 to 12 weeks prior to travel), proof of infection and completion of isolation is required for exemption from pre-travel COVID-19 testing (uploaded during Travel Authorisation process).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Entry from All Countries.</li> <li>• Negative COVID-19 PCR test done within 72h before departure or Negative COVID-19 Rapid Antigen Test within 24h before departure (children under age 12 are exempted).</li> <li>• Complete Travel Authorisation at <a href="http://seychelles.govtas.com">seychelles.govtas.com</a>.</li> <li>• Valid Travel &amp; Health insurance to cover COVID-19 related quarantine, isolation or treatment.</li> <li>• Visitors are strongly encouraged to be fully immunised before travel.</li> </ul>
Arrival and Stay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stay in any certified tourism establishments.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stay in any certified tourism establishments.</li> </ul>
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conditions for stay for children up to age 17, will be as for the parent/guardian they are accompanying.</li> <li>• All visitors must report any illness at any point during stay to hotel management and public health authority for further evaluation.</li> <li>• Anyone tested positive, and/or assessed to be a close contact, will be required to undergo isolation or quarantine as per national protocols.</li> </ul>	

## 5. Accommodation

Participants are advised to make their own reservations in the hotel of their choice as early as possible.

Examples of accommodation options are provided below; however, there are numerous hotels, B&Bs and guest houses accommodation options on Mahe (see [tripadvisor.com](http://tripadvisor.com) and [booking.com](http://booking.com) etc).

HOTEL NAMES	ROOM RATES, ROOM TYPES & CONTACTS	
CORAL STRAND HOTEL (Beau Vallon) <a href="http://www.coralstrand.com">www.coralstrand.com</a>	Single Standard €260 BB Double Standard €295 BB	Mrs Shirley Samedi Tel: +248 4392000 <a href="mailto:Henriette@Savoy.sc">Henriette@Savoy.sc</a>
COCO D'OR HOTEL (Beau vallon) <a href="http://www.cocodor.sc">www.cocodor.sc</a>	Single Standard room €139 Double room €204	Ms Priscilla Gouffe Tel: +248 4247331 <a href="mailto:reservations@cocodor.sc">reservations@cocodor.sc</a>
BERJAYA BEAU VALLON BAY <a href="http://www.berjayahotel.com">www.berjayahotel.com</a>	Single Standard room BB \$145 Single Standard Room HB \$180	Ms Erica Tirant Tel: +248 4287287 <a href="mailto:reservation@berjayaseychelles.com">reservation@berjayaseychelles.com</a> <a href="mailto:beauvallon.rsvn@berjayahotel.com">beauvallon.rsvn@berjayahotel.com</a>
SUN RESORT (Beau Vallon) <a href="http://www.sunresort.sc">www.sunresort.sc</a>	Single Standard room BB €115 Double Room BB €135 Complimentary internet in all room	Ms Flora Furneau Tel: +248 4285555 <a href="mailto:sun@seychelles.net">sun@seychelles.net</a>

EDEN BLEU HOTEL <a href="http://www.edenbleu.com">www.edenbleu.com</a>	Single BB \$275 Double BB \$295 Direct booking using <b>CODE:</b> <b>FAO1222</b>	Reservation <a href="mailto:reservations@edenbleu.com">reservations@edenbleu.com</a>
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## 6. TRANSPORTATION

Bus shuttle will be provided daily for the delegates to and from the Beau Vallon area. 1. Participants should make their own airport transfer. Transportation will be provided daily to and from the meeting venue. From Beau Vallon, a bus will leave daily at 08h15 from the Berjaya Hotel and 08h15 from the Coral Strand, returning at 17h15 in the afternoon

## 7. DOCUMENTS

It is advised for participants to download all the documents available from the IOTC website prior to arriving, as the meetings are paperless.

## 8. INTERPRETATION

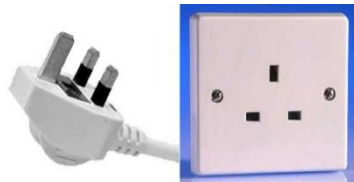
The meeting will be held in English and French using simultaneous interpretation.

## 9. MEETING ROOM ADVICE

Please note that the participation in the meeting room will be limited to 3 person per CPC, and 1 per observer. The air-conditioning in the meeting room can be too cool for some participants. It is advisable to be prepared for this possibility.

## 10. ELECTRICITY

Electricity in Seychelles is 230 Volts, 50 Hertz. Plugs are usually “British” type.



## 11. INTERNET

Wi-Fi will be available in the conference area.

## 12. TOURISM

Information on tourism and other information can also be found [[here](#)].