
**PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA FOR THE 20TH SESSION OF THE
COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE**

Date: 25 April 2023

Date: 30 April – 02 May and 04 May, 2023

Location: InterContinental Mauritius Resort Balaclava Fort, Mauritius (Hybrid)

Time: 09:00 – 17:00 hrs

Chairperson: Prof Indra Jaya, **Vice-chairperson:** Mr Zahor El Kharousy

30 April– 02 May

1. Opening of the Session.

The Chair will provide opening remarks to the 20th Session of the Compliance Committee.

2. Letters of Credentials.

The Secretariat will inform the meeting on the number of CPCs and observers who have submitted credentials to participate in CoC20.

3. Admission of Observers.

The Chair will invite the Secretariat to inform the meeting on the number of observers who have submitted credentials to participate in CoC20.

In accordance with Article VII of the IOTC Agreement on 'Observers' and Rule XIV of the IOTC Rules of Procedure on the 'Participation by observers', Observers from FAO Members and Associate Members of FAO, intergovernmental organisations, non-governmental organizations, consultants and experts may be represented and authorised to participate in the discussions of the Commission, the Committees and the other subsidiary bodies of the Commission, without voting right.

4. Adoption of the Agenda and arrangements for the Session.

The Chair will introduce the Provisional Agenda for CoC20 (IOTC-2023-CoC20-01a) that was made available in accordance with Rule IV of the Commission's Rules of Procedure (2022), the Provisional Annotated Agenda (IOTC-2023-CoC20-01b) and the List of Documents (IOTC-2023-CoC20-02).

5. Report of the Working Party on the Implementation of Conservation and Management Measures (WPICMM06).

The Chair will invite the plenary to note document [IOTC-2023-CoC20-12](#). The Chair will invite the Chair of WPICMM06 to present a summary of the report of the last meeting of the Working Party and to inform the Compliance Committee of any issues, outstanding or not, that require the attention of the Committee.

5.1. Review the list of Large-Scale Tuna Longline Vessels (LSTLVs)/carrier vessels presumed to have committed infractions against IOTC CMMs under the at-sea transshipment programme.

The Secretariat to introduce document [IOTC-2023-CoC20-08b](#), related to the Summary report on possible infractions observed under the Regional Observer Programme in 2022.

The Chair will invite the plenary to consider and discuss the evidence indicating possible violation of IOTC CMMs by a LSTLV, which the flag State has not provided a report of its investigation for the consideration of the WPICMM06, and recommend actions. The Chair will summarise the discussions on document IOTC-2023-CoC20-08b.

5.2. Review of the IOTC Glossary of terms and definitions.

The Chair will invite the plenary to note document [IOTC-2023-CoC20-16](#). The Chair will invite the plenary to consider and discuss the terms of the Glossary that have already been agreed by the WPICMM06 and make a recommendation to the Commission (S27).

6. Reports of the Working Groups on:

The Chair will invite the plenary to note documents [IOTC-2023-CoC20-12](#) and [IOTC-2023-CoC20-12 Add1](#).

6.1. Catch Documentation Scheme (CDS).

The Chair will present a summary of the meetings of the CDS Working Group that took place during the last intersessional period. The Chair will invite the plenary to review and discuss the IOTC CDS Strategy and make a recommendation to the Commission (S27).

6.2. An IOTC Vessels Monitoring System (VMS).

The Chair will invite the Chair of the VMS Working Group to present a summary of the meetings of the VMS Working Group that took place during the last intersessional period. The Chair will invite the plenary to discuss the progress made by the VMS Working Group and make recommendations to the Commission (S27).

7. Report on the development of a scheme to operationalise the FAO Voluntary Guideline for Fishing Gears and FADs in the IOTC Area.

The Chair will invite the Secretariat to present a background and summary of [document IOTC-2023-CoC20-12 Add2](#). The Chair will invite the plenary to provide comments, observations and, as appropriate, make recommendation(s) on this document. The Chair will summarise the discussions on document IOTC-2023-CoC20-12_Add2.

8. Review of minimum standards for the use of Electronic Monitoring Systems (EMS) for purse seine, longline, bait boat (pole and line), handline and gillnet fleets.

The Chair will invite the Secretariat to present a background and summary of document [IOTC-2023-CoC20-15](#).

The Chair will invite the plenary to provide comments, observations and, as appropriate, make recommendation(s) on this document. The Chair will summarise the discussions on document IOTC-2023-CoC20-15.

9. Proposal to amend Appendix V of the IOTC Rules of Procedure (Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Compliance Committee).

The Chair will invite the European Union to introduce document [IOTC-2023-CoC20-13](#). The Chair will invite the plenary to provide comments, observations and, as appropriate, make recommendation(s) on this document. The Chair will summarise the discussions on document IOTC-2023-CoC20-13.

10. Review of the implementation of IOTC Conservation and Management Measures (CMMs) together with associated reports and identification of challenges encountered in the implementation of IOTC CMMs – Appendix V of the IOTC Rules of Procedure.

10.1. Global review of selected CMMs.

Review of the summary report on the level of compliance together with associated reports and identification of challenges encountered in the implementation of IOTC CMMs.

The Chair will invite the Secretariat to introduce document [IOTC-2023-CoC20-03](#). The Chair will invite the plenary to provide comments, observations and, as appropriate, make recommendation(s) on this document. The Chair will summarise the discussions on document IOTC-2023-CoC20-03.

10.2. Review of CPCs Compliance Reports together with associated reports.

The Chair will invite the Secretariat to introduce each CPCs' Compliance Report ([IOTC-2023-CoC20-CR01-31](#)).

The Chair will invite CPCs to give their reactions and additional information/clarifications on their Compliance Report, followed by other CPCs who may wish to seek additional information/clarifications from the CPCs with compliance issues. The Chair will invite the plenary to provide comments, observations and, as appropriate, make recommendation(s). The Chair will summarise the discussions on each CPCs' Compliance Report.

Other documents relevant to this agenda item are:

- i. [IOTC-2023-CoC20-CQ01-31](#) - Compliance Questionnaires.*

- ii. [IOTC–2023–CoC20–FL01–31](#) - Response to Feedback Letters.
- iii. [IOTC–2023–CoC20–IR01–31](#) - Implementation Reports.
- iv. [IOTC–2023–CoC20–04a](#) - Report on establishing a Programme for Transshipment by Large-Scale Fishing Vessels.
- v. [IOTC–2023–CoC20–05](#) - Implementation of reporting obligations of nominal catch data.
- vi. [IOTC–2023–CoC20–10 Rev1](#) - Summary of compliance with the drifting fish aggregating devices management plans.

10.3. Report on Indonesia's Pilot project on at sea transshipments.

The Chair will invite the Secretariat to present a summary of document [IOTC-2023-CoC20-04c Rev1](#). The Chair will invite Indonesia and the plenary to provide comments, observations and, as appropriate, make recommendation(s) on this document. The Chair will summarise the discussions on document IOTC-2023-CoC20-04c_Rev1.

11. Review of information related to IUU fishing activities in the IOTC Area of Competence.

The Chair will invite:

- i. *The Secretariat and the United Kingdom to introduce the different cases highlighted in document [IOTC-2023-CoC20-08 Rev1](#), on information related to presumed IUU fishing activities in the IOTC Area. The Chair will invite the plenary to provide comments, observations and, as appropriate, make recommendation(s) on this document. The Chair will summarise the discussions on document IOTC-2023-CoC20-08_Rev1.*
- ii. *The United Kingdom to present document [IOTC-2023-CoC20-08a](#), related to the reporting of vessels in transit. The Chair will invite the plenary to provide comments, observations and, as appropriate, make recommendation(s) on this document. The Chair will summarise the discussions on document IOTC-2023-CoC20-08a.*

12. Review of the Draft IUU Vessels List – IOTC [Resolution 18/03](#).

The Chair will invite the plenary to note documents [IOTC–2023–CoC20–09](#) and [IOTC–2023–CoC20–09 Add1](#), which will be introduced by the Secretariat.

The Chair will invite the proponents for the listing of fishing vessels to the 2023 IOTC Provisional IUU Vessels List, to present their cases. The Chair will invite the concerned flag States to provide their reactions, additional information and/or clarifications. The Chair will invite the plenary to provide comments, observations and, as appropriate, make recommendation(s) on a case-by-case basis. The Chair will summarise the discussions on each case.

In accordance with IOTC Resolution 18/03, if the CoC is satisfied that the documented information establishes that the vessel or vessels (included in the Draft IUU Vessels List) carried out IUU fishing activities, it shall include the vessel or vessels concerned in the Provisional IUU Vessel List. The CoC shall submit the Provisional IUU Vessel List to the Commission for its consideration.

13. Review of recommendations requiring intersessional actions, from CoC19.

- i. *The Chair will invite the Secretariat to introduce document [IOTC–2023–CoC20–14](#) on the Implementation of Recommendations from CoC19. The Chair will invite the plenary to provide comments, observations and, as appropriate, make recommendation(s) on this document. The Chair will summarise the discussions on document IOTC–2023–CoC20–14.*
- ii. *The Chair will invite the Secretariat to introduce document [IOTC–2023–CoC20–06](#) on Capacity of fishing vessels in the IOTC Record of Authorised Vessels. The Chair will invite the plenary to provide comments, observations and, as appropriate, make recommendation(s) on this document. The Chair will summarise the discussions on document IOTC–2023–CoC20–06.*

14. Review of requests for the renewal of the status of Cooperating Non-Contracting Party (CNCP)- Appendix III of the IOTC Rules of Procedure.

The Chair will invite the Secretariat to inform the plenary on request that has been received for application or renewal for CNCP status, compliance status with the deadline to submit requests and compliance status with submission of information in order to have the CNCP status considered.

The Chair will invite Liberia to present its request for the renewal of the status of Cooperating Non-Contracting Party ([IOTC-2023-CoC20–CNCPO1](#)). The Chair will invite the plenary to consider the request of Liberia and make a recommendation for the consideration of the Commission, on Liberia’s request. The Chair will summarise the discussions on Liberia’s request.

15. Activities by the IOTC Secretariat in support of capacity building for developing CPCs – [IOTC Resolution 16/10](#).

The Chair will invite the Secretariat to introduce document [IOTC–2023–CoC20–11_Rev2](#) and summarise Compliance Support Activities implemented. The Chair will invite the plenary to provide comments, observations and, as appropriate, make recommendation(s) on this document. The Chair will summarise the discussions on document IOTC–2023–CoC20–11_Rev2.

15.1. Proposal for a Cooperation Agreement with the Indian Ocean Commission.

The Chair will invite the Secretariat to introduce document [IOTC–2023–CoC20–07](#) and summarise the proposal for a Cooperation Agreement with the Indian Ocean Commission. The Chair will invite the plenary to provide comments, observations and, as appropriate, make a recommendation on this document. The Chair will summarise the discussions on document IOTC–2023–CoC20–07.

16. Date and venue of next meeting.

The annual meeting of the Compliance Committee is normally held one week before the meeting of the Commission and at the same venue. Therefore, the date and venue of the 2024 Commission meeting (S28) will dictate when and where the next Compliance Committee meeting will take place.

17. Any Other Business.

The Chair will invite the plenary to consider any other matters, which relate to the work of the Compliance Committee, proposed in the adopted agenda.

04 May

18. Adoption of the Report of the 20th Session of the Compliance Committee.

The adoption of the report of CoC20 will take place in the morning of 04th May 2023.

The plenary will adopt the report of the 20th Session of the Compliance Committee and the Chair will close the meeting at the end of proceedings.