
**PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE
27TH SESSION OF THE INDIAN OCEAN TUNA COMMISSION**

v9 April 2023

Date: 8-12 May 2023**Chairperson:** Ms Jung-re Riley Kim (Rep. of Korea)

- 1. OPENING OF THE SESSION**
- 2. LETTERS OF CREDENTIALS**
- 3. ADMISSION OF OBSERVERS**
- 4. ON THE RECRUITMENT OF THE NEW IOTC EXECUTIVE SECRETARY (FAO)**
- 5. DETERMINATION OF THE STATUS OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF UNITED KINGDOM “BIOT” IN THE IOTC (Mauritius)**
- 6. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION**
- 7. UPDATE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISIONS OF THE COMMISSION IN 2022 (S26) (IOTC-2023-S27-02)**
- 8. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE IOTC RULES OF PROCEDURE**
 - 8.1. Proposal to amend Rule X of the IOTC Rules of Procedure (IOTC-2023-S27-03)
 - 8.2. Proposal to amend Appendix V of the IOTC Rules of Procedure (IOTC-2023-CoC20-13 & IOTC-2023-CoC20-R)
- 9. REPORT OF THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE (IOTC-2022-SC25-R)**
 - 9.1. Overview of the 2022 SC25 Report (SC Chairperson)
 - 9.2. Discussion on any related conservation and management measures
- 10. REPORT OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON ALLOCATION CRITERIA (IOTC-2023-TCAC11-R)**

Overview of the TCAC11 Report (TCAC Chairperson)
- 11. REPORT OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES**

Overview of the TCMP06 Report (TCMP Chairperson)
- 12. REPORT OF THE COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE (IOTC-2023-CoC20-R)**
 - 12.1. Overview of the CoC20 Report (CoC Chairperson)
 - 12.2. Adoption of the List of IUU Vessels
 - 12.3. Requests for accession to the status of Cooperating non-Contracting Party
- 13. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE (IOTC-2023-SCAF20-R)**
 - 13.1. Overview of the SCAF20 Report (SCAF Chairperson)
 - 13.2. SCAF recommendations on a proposal to amend the IOTC Headquarters Agreement (see also IOTC-2023-SCAF20-09)
 - 13.3. SCAF recommendations on draft rules of procedure for the IOTC Working Capital Fund (see also IOTC-2023-SCAF20-10)
 - 13.4. Adoption of the Programme of Work and Budget of the Commission (see also IOTC-2023-SCAF20-08)
 - 13.5. Schedule of meetings for 2024-2025

14. CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES

The following proposals for Conservation and Management Measures have been received:

PropA. Revision of Res 21-01 on management of yellowfin tuna (cf Res 21-01) — Tanzania.

PropB. Multi-annual CMM Plan for tropical tunas (cf Res 21-01) — European Union.

PropC. On a high seas boarding and inspection scheme — European Union.

PropD. On management of DFADS (cf Res 23-02) — European Union.

PropE. Establishing catch limits for bigeye tuna (cf Res 05-01) — Japan.

PropF. Revision of Res 21-01 on management of yellowfin tuna (cf Res 21-01 & 23-02) — Mauritius.

PropG. Reducing bycatch of seabirds in longline fisheries (cf Res 12-06) — Australia.

PropH. Electronic monitoring standards — Australia.

PropI. Recommendation to enhance cooperation in IOTC decision making — Korea.

PropJ. On a FADs Working Group (cf Res 15-09) — Korea.

PropK. On the conservation of cetaceans (cf Res 13-04) — Korea.

PropL. Management of DFADS (cf Res 23-02) — Korea.

PropM. On establishing a programme for transshipment by large-scale fishing vessels (cf Res 22-02) — Indonesia.

PropN. Revision of Res 21-01 On management of yellowfin tuna (cf Res 21-01) — Kenya.

PropO. Recording and reporting catch and effort data (cf Res 15-01) — Seychelles.

PropP. Mandatory statistical reporting requirements (cf Res 15-02) — Seychelles.

PropQ. Establishing a working party on socioeconomics — Seychelles.

PropR. Conservation of sharks (cf Res 18-02, 17-05, 13-05, 13-06, 12-09) — Maldives.

- 14.1. Current Conservation and Management Measures that require action by the Commission in 2023 (IOTC-2023-S27-04).

Note, this document also includes proposed options to reduce the environmental impacts of the IOTC activities (as requested in Resolution 22/01 On climate change as it relates to the IOTC)

- 14.2. Interpretation of Resolution 21/01 *On an interim plan for rebuilding the Indian Ocean yellowfin tuna stock in the IOTC area of competence* (Seychelles, refer to IOTC Circular 2023-21).
- 14.3. Review of objections received under Article IX.5 of the IOTC Agreement (IOTC-2023-S27-05)
- 14.4. Any remaining proposals for Conservation and Management Measures (Contracting Parties), noting that, some proposals will be considered under other agenda items, as relevant.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 15.1. Cooperation with other organisations and institutions (IOTC-2023-S27-06)

- 15.2. Election of the Commission Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

The first term of the current Chairperson (Ms Jung Re Kim - Korea) ends in 2023. The first terms of the current Vice-Chairperson (Mr Adam Ziyad - Maldives) and 2nd Vice-Chairperson (Mr Qayiso Mketsu – south Africa) also end in 2023.

- 15.3. Date and place of the 28th Session of the Commission and the meetings of its associated subsidiary bodies in 2024

16. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE 27th SESSION OF THE COMMISSION