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## AGENDA FOR THE 4<sup>TH</sup> WORKING GROUP ON FADS MEETING

Last updated: 23 May 2023

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**Date:** 29 - 30 May 2023

**Location:** Zoom

**Venue:** Virtual

**Time:** 12:00 – 16:00 (Seychelles time)

**Co-Chair:** Dr. Gorka Merino (European Union); **Co-Chair:** Mr. Avelino Munwane

1. **OPENING OF THE MEETING** (Co-Chairs)
2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION** (Co-Chairs)
3. **THE IOTC PROCESS: OUTCOMES, UPDATES, AND PROGRESS** (Secretariat)
  - 3.1. Outcomes of the 25<sup>th</sup> Session of the Scientific Committee
  - 3.2. Outcomes of the 6<sup>th</sup> Special Session of the Commission and the 27<sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission and previous decisions of the Commission in relation to FADs
  - 3.3. Resolution 23/09 *On A Fish Aggregating Devices (FADs) Working Group*
4. **REVIEW OF THE DATA AVAILABLE AT THE SECRETARIAT ON FADS** (IOTC Secretariat)
5. **COMMISSION REQUESTS TO THE SC UNDER RESOLUTIONS 23/02, 23/03 and 23/04** (All)
  - 5.1. Resolution 23/02 *On Management of Drifting Fish Aggregating Devices (DFADs) in the IOTC Area of Competence*
  - 5.2. Resolution 23/03 *On Establishing a Voluntary Fishing Closure in the Indian Ocean for the Conservation of Tropical Tuna*
  - 5.3. Resolution 23/04 *On Establishing Catch Limits for Bigeye Tuna in the Area of IOTC Competence*
  - 5.4. Plan of work for the WGFAD leading up to the next session in October (All)
6. **REVIEW OF ANY NEW INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON FADS**
7. **WRAP UP, SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS** (Co-Chairs)
8. **ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE 4<sup>th</sup> SESSION OF THE WORKING GROUP ON FADS** (Co-Chairs)