
DRAFT: ANNOTATED AGENDA FOR THE 13TH WORKING PARTY ON NERITIC TUNAS

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Date: 3–7 July 2023

Location: Seychelles

Venue: Eden Bleu Hotel

Time: 09:00 – 17:00 daily (Seychelles time)

Chair: Ms Ririk Sulistyaningsih; **Vice-Chair:** Dr Farhad Kaymaram

- 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING (Chair)**
- 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION (Chair)**
 - IOTC–2023–WPNT13–01a: Draft: Agenda of the 13th Working Party on Neritic Tunas
 - IOTC–2023–WPNT13–01b: Annotated agenda of the 13th Working Party on Neritic Tunas
 - IOTC–2023–WPNT13–02: List of documents of the 13th Working Party on Neritic Tunas
- 3. THE IOTC PROCESS: OUTCOMES, UPDATES AND PROGRESS**
 - 3.1. Outcomes of the 25th Session of the Scientific Committee (IOTC Secretariat)**
 - IOTC–2023–WPNT13–03: Outcomes of the 25th Session of the Scientific Committee (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 3.2. Outcomes of the 26th Sessions of the Commission (IOTC Secretariat)**
 - IOTC–2023–WPNT13–04: Outcomes of the 26th Session of the Commission (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 3.3. Review of Conservation and Management Measures relevant to neritic tunas (IOTC Secretariat)**
 - IOTC–2023–WPNT13–05: Review of current Conservation and Management Measures relating to neritic tuna species (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 3.4. Progress on the recommendations of WPNT12 (IOTC Secretariat)**
 - IOTC–2023–WPNT13–06: Progress made on the recommendations and requests of WPNT12 and SC25 (IOTC Secretariat)
- 4. CPUE WORKSHOP**
 - 4.1. CPUE standardisation materials (IOTC Secretariat)**
 - 4.2. Hands on data analysis work (all)**
- 5. NEW INFORMATION ON FISHERIES AND ASSOCIATED ENVIRONMENTAL DATA FOR NERITIC TUNAS**
 - 5.1. Review of the statistical data available for neritic tunas (IOTC Secretariat)**
 - IOTC–2023–WPNT13-07: Review of the statistical data available for neritic tunas (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 5.2. Demonstration of tools for accessing IOTC statistical data (IOTC Secretariat)**
 - 5.3. Review new information on fisheries and associated environmental data (general CPC papers)**
 - IOTC-2023-WPNT13-09: Artisanal fishing gears efficiency on kingfish species *Scomberomorous commerson* (I. W. Barasa and S. Ndegwa)
- 6. NERITIC TUNA SPECIES – REVIEW OF NEW INFORMATION ON STOCK STATUS**
 - 6.1. Review new information on the biology, stock structure, fisheries and associated environmental data (all)**
 - IOTC-2023-WPNT13-10: Status of Frigate tuna (*Auxis thazard*) and Kawakawa (*Euthynnus affinis*) fishery in the Maldives (M. Shama)
 - IOTC-2023-WPNT13-11: Management measures for sustainable exploitation of Neritic tuna stocks in Iran (R. A. Naderi)
 - IOTC-2023-WPNT13-12: A synoptic review of the biology & population dynamic parameter studies on Narrow barred Spanish mackerel in the Indian Ocean (F. Kaymaram, S. A. Taghavi Motlagh and A. Vahabnezhad)

- IOTC-2023-WPNT13-13: Catch composition and size distribution of neritic tuna caught in the Indonesian waters FMA 572 and 573 (R. K. Sulistyaningsih, L. Sadiyah, F. Satria, B. Setyadji)
- IOTC-2023-WPNT13-18: Population dynamics of Kawakawa (*Euthynnus affinis* (Cantor, 1849)) in Sri Lankan waters (K. R. Dalpathadu, D. G. Balawardhana, S. S. Haputhantri)
- IOTC-2023-WPNT13-20: Neritic Tunas and Seerfishes Fisheries from Purse Seiners in the Andaman Sea of Thailand (P. Noranartragoon, K. Maeroh and S. Piabpabattana)

6.2. Data for input into stock assessments (all)

7. STOCK ASSESSMENT UPDATES

7.1. Stock assessment updates (all)

- Narrow-barred Spanish mackerel
 - Longtail tuna
 - Kawakawa
- IOTC-2023-WPNT13-14: Assessment of Indian Ocean longtail tuna (*Thunnus tonggol*) using data-limited methods (D. Fu)
 - IOTC-2023-WPNT13-15: Assessment of Indian Ocean kawakawa (*Euthynnus affinis*) using data-limited methods (D. Fu)
 - IOTC-2023-WPNT13-16: Assessment of Indian Ocean narrow-barred Spanish mackerel (*Scomberomorus commerson*) using data-limited methods (D. Fu)

7.2. Stock status indicators for other neritic tuna species (all)

- IOTC-2023-WPNT13-19: Preliminary analysis on the abundance indices of neritic tuna species from Indonesian fleets in the north-eastern Indian Ocean 2012-2021 (B. Setyadji, M. Spencer, L. Kell, S. Wright, S. Ferson, R. K. Sulistyaningsih)

7.3. Development of management advice for neritic tuna species (all)

8. PROGRAM OF WORK (RESEARCH AND PRIORITIES)

8.1. Revision of the WPNT Program of Work 2024–2028 (Chair)

- Revision of the WPNT Program of Work (2024–2028) (IOTC Secretariat)

8.2. Development of priorities for an Invited Expert at the next WPNT meeting

9. OTHER BUSINESS

9.1. Election of a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson of the WPNT for the next biennium

9.2. Date and place of the 14th and 15th Working Party on Neritic Tunas (Chair)

9.3. Review of the draft, and adoption of the Report of the 13th Working Party on Neritic Tunas (Chair)