



PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE 28TH SESSION OF THE INDIAN OCEAN TUNA COMMISSION

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Chairperson: Ms Jung-re Riley Kim (Rep. of Korea)

Vice Chairpersons: Mr Adam Ziyad (Maldives), Mr Qayiso Mketsu (South Africa)

1. **OPENING OF THE SESSION**
2. **LETTERS OF CREDENTIALS**
3. **ADMISSION OF OBSERVERS**
4. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION**
5. **DETERMINATION OF THE STATUS OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNITED KINGDOM IN THE IOTC**
6. **UPDATE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISIONS OF THE COMMISSION IN 2023 (S27)** (IOTC-2024-S28-02)
7. **AMENDMENTS TO THE IOTC RULES OF PROCEDURE**
8. **REPORT OF THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE** (IOTC-2024-SC26-R)
 - 8.1. Overview of the 2023 SC26 Report (SC Chairperson)
 - 8.2. Discussion on any related conservation and management measures
9. **CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES**

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

PropA. On management of drifting fish aggregating devices (DFADs) in the IOTC area of competence (cf Res 19/02) – Korea

PropB. On climate change as it relates to the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (cf Res 22/01) – Korea

PropC. On conservation and management on marine pollution – Korea

PropD. On establishing a programme for transshipment by large-scale fishing vessels (cf Res 23/05) – Korea

PropE - On the biodegradability of drifting fish aggregating devices (DFADs) in the IOTC area of competence – European Union

PropF - On establishing a list of vessels presumed to have carried out illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing in the IOTC area of competence (cf Res 18/03) – China

PropG - On a management procedure for swordfish in the IOTC area of competence – Australia

PropH – On a management procedure for skipjack tuna in the IOTC area of competence (cf Res 21/03) - European Union

PropI – On a regional observer scheme (cf 22/04) - European Union

PropJ – On the conservation of sharks caught in association with fisheries managed by IOTC (cf Res 17/05) - European Union

PropK – On management of drifting fish aggregating devices (FADS) in the IOTC area of competence (cf Res 19/02) - European Union

PropL – On a high seas boarding and inspection scheme – European Union

PropM - On establishing a fishing closure in the Indian ocean for the conservation of tropical tunas (cf Res 23/03) – European Union

PropN - On establishing a programme for transshipment by large-scale fishing vessels (cf 23/05) – Japan

PropO – Mandatory statistical reporting requirements for IOTC contracting parties and cooperating non-contracting parties (CPCS)(cf Res 15/02) - Seychelles

PropP - On the recording and reporting of catch and effort data by fishing vessels in the IOTC area of competence (cf Res 15/01)- Seychelles

PropQ - On a ban on discards of bigeye tuna, skipjack tuna, yellowfin tuna, and non- targeted species caught by vessels in the IOTC record of authorisation that operate in the iotc area of competence - Seychelles

PropR - On management of drifting fish aggregating devices (DFADs) in the IOTC area of competence (cf. Res 19/02) – (Indonesia, Pakistan, Somalia and South Africa)

PropS - On establishing a programme for transshipment by large-scale fishing vessels (cf. Res 23/05) (Indonesia)

PropT - On the promotion of the implementation of IOTC conservation and management measures (cf Res 14/01, Res 16/10) – South Africa

PropU - On an interim yellowfin tuna rebuilding plan (cf Res 21/01) – Pakistan, South Africa and Iran

PropV – On the conservation of sharks caught in association with fisheries managed by IOTC (cf Res 12/09, 13/05, 13/06, 17/05 and 18/02) – Maldives and Pakistan

PropW – On measures to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing (cf 07/01 and 18/03) – Somalia

PropX - To promote compliance by nationals of contracting parties and cooperating non-contracting parties with IOTC conservation and management measures (cf Res 07/01) – United Kingdom

- 9.1. Current Conservation and Management Measures that require action by the Commission in 2024 (IOTC-2024-S28-03)
- 9.2. Review of objections received under Article IX.5 of the IOTC Agreement (IOTC-2024-S28-04)
- 9.3. Proposals for new or revised Conservation and Management Measures (noting that, some proposals will be considered under other agenda items, as relevant).

10. REPORT OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON ALLOCATION CRITERIA (IOTC-2023-TCAC12-R)

- 10.1. Overview of the TCAC12 Report (TCAC Chairperson)
- 10.2. Future Direction of the TCAC
 - IOTC-2024-S28-07 - *Working towards further progress on the development of an allocation of fishing opportunities for IOTC species (South Africa)*
- 10.3. Election of TCAC Chair

11. REPORT OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES

- 11.1. Overview of the TCMP07 and TCMP08 Reports (TCMP Chairpersons)

12. REPORT OF THE COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE (IOTC-2024-CoC21-R)

- 12.1. Overview of the CoC21 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
- 12.4. Review of CPCs Compliance Reports

13. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE (IOTC-2024-SCAF21-R)

- 13.1. Overview of the SCAF21 Report (SCAF Chairperson)
- 13.2. SCAF feedback on draft rules of Procedure for the IOTC Meeting Participation Fund
- 13.3. Adoption of the Programme of Work and Budget of the Commission (see also IOTC-2024-SCAF21-08)
- 13.4. Schedule of meetings for 2025-2026

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 14.1. Cooperation with other organisations and institutions (IOTC-2024-S28-05)
- 14.2. Proposal for a Code of Conduct for IOTC Meetings (IOTC-2024-S28-06)
- 14.3. Date and place of the first session of the Working Party on Socio Economics

14.4. Date and place of the 29th Session of the Commission and the meetings of its associated subsidiary bodies in 2025

15. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE 28th SESSION OF THE COMMISSION