

IOTC S28 Day 1 Recap

Agenda	status	Decision points and conclusions	Issues to be revisited
1. Opening of the Session	closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Meeting officially open at 9 	none
2. Letters of Credentials	closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All credentials checked 	none
3. Admission of Observers	closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ List of admitted Observers noted 	none
4. Adoption of Agenda and Arrangements for the Session	closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Agenda adopted without amendments 	none
5. Determination of the Status of the Membership of the UK	closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Decision deferred to next year if the UK does not provide clarification in due course 	none
6. Update on the Implementation of Decisions of the Commission	closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Implementation of decisions noted 	none
7. Update on Implementation of Decisions of the Commission in 2022	closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Commission noted Paper IOTC-2023-S27-02 without any further requests for actions, instructions or guidance 	none
8. Report of the Scientific Committee	closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Commission endorsed the report and recommendations the 26th session of the SC 	none
9.1 Current CMMs that require action by the Commission	closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No actions required ▪ Prop T ADOPTED 	none
9.2 Review of Objections	closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Review noted 	none
9.3 New or Revised Conservation and Management Measures	open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proposals T, K, R, E, U, discussed 	Further discussions needed on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DFAD proposals : ▪ Prop U (YFT) ▪ Prop M (total closure)

Status of Proposals

Subject area	Prop	Name	Cf Res	Proponent	Status
Yellowfin tuna	U	On an Interim Yellowfin tuna Rebuilding Plan	21/01	PAK, ZAF, IR	Initial discussion taken place
	M	On establishing a fishing closure in the Indian Ocean for the conservation of tropical tunas	23/03	EU	Initial discussion taken place
DFADs	R	On Management of DFADs in the IOTC Area of Competence	19/02	IDN, PAK, SOM, ZAF	Initial discussion taken place
	K	On Management of DFADs in the IOTC Area of Competence	23/02	EU	Initial discussion taken place
	A	On Management of Drifting Fish Aggregating Devices	19/02	KR	Initial discussion taken place
	E	On biodegradability of DFADs in the IOTC area of competence	18/04	EU	Initial discussion taken place
HSBI	L	On High seas boarding and inspection scheme	new proposal	EU, IND, SCL	
IUU	F	On establishing a list of vessels presumed to have carried IUU fishing in the IOTC area of competence	18/03	CN	
	W	On Measures to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate IUU Fishing	07/01 & 18/03	SOM	

	X	To promote compliance by nationals of CPCs with IOTC conservation and management measures	07/01	UK	
Transshipment	D	On establishment of a program for transshipment by large scale fishing vessels	23/05	KR	
	N	On establishment of a program for transshipment by large scale fishing vessels	23/05	JP	
	S	On establishment of a program for transshipment by large scale fishing vessels	23/05	IDN	
Regional Observer Scheme	I	On a regional observer scheme	Resolution 22/04	EU	
Sharks	V	On the conservation of sharks caught in association with IOTC fisheries	17/05, 18/02, 13/06, 12/09, 13/05	MDV, PAK	
	J	On conservation of Sharks caught in association with IOTC fisheries	17/05,	EU	
Reporting catch and effort	O	Mandatory statistical reporting requirements for IOTC CPCs	15/02	SCL	
	P	On the recording and reporting of catch and effort data by fishing vessels in the IOTC area of competence	15/01	SCL	

Ecosystems and bycatch	B	On climate change as it relates to the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission	22/01	KR	
	C	On conservation and management on marine pollution	new proposal	KR	
	Q	On a ban on discards of by vessels on the record of IOTC authorized vessels that operate in the IOTC area of competence	19/02	SCL	
Management Procedure	G	On a Management Procedure for swordfish in the IOTC area of competence	new proposal	AU	Reviewed at TCMP, Rev 1 to be considered
	H	On a Management Procedure for Skipjack tuna in the IOTC area of competence	new proposal	EU	Reviewed at TCMP, Rev 2 to be considered
IOTC process	T	On promotion of the implementation of IOTC CMMs	14/01, 16/10	ZAF	ADOPTED

Day 2 Plans (30 min extension envisaged)

Props on 9.3 Proposals

HSBI (L), IUU (W, X, F), Transshipment(D, N, S), Regional Observer(I), Sharks (V, J), C&E Reporting(O, P), Ecosystem and bycatch (B, C, Q)

Suggested Approach to DFADs SWG

1. COM Chair to lead, with the aim at producing a “Chair’s document;”
2. Two pronged approach—Small Working Group (any interested CPCs) to discuss the substance / Drafting Group (1 person / proponents) to draft;
3. EU has offered their room (3rd floor);
4. Kick-off meeting during Day 2 lunch (1:30-2:30), 2nd meeting TBD.