
DRAFT: AGENDA FOR THE 3rd WORKING PARTY ON SOCIO-ECONOMICS

UPDATED: 31 MARCH 2026

Date: 1-2 April 2026

Location: Virtual

Time: 11:00 – 15:00 daily

1. **OPENING OF THE MEETING** (Chairperson)
2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION** (Chairperson)
 - IOTC-2026- WPSE03-01a: Draft: Agenda of 3rd Working Party on Socio-Economics
 - IOTC-2026- WPSE03-01b: Draft: Annotated agenda of 3rd Working Party on Socio-Economics
 - IOTC-2026- WPSE03-02: Draft: List of documents of the 3rd Working Party on Socio-Economics
3. **THE IOTC PROCESS: OUTCOMES, UPDATES AND PROGRESS** (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 3.1. Outcomes of the 29th Session of the Commission
 - IOTC-2026- WPSE03-03: Outcomes of the 29th Session of the Commission
 - 3.2. Outcomes of the 28th Session of the Scientific Committee
 - IOTC-2026- WPSE03-04: Outcomes of the 28th Session of the Scientific Committee
4. **INFORMATION ON SOCIO-ECONOMIC DATA FOR IOTC CPCS AND FISHERIES**
 - 4.1. Review of socio-economic data available at the Secretariat and other fishery management organisations
 - IOTC-2026-WPSE03-10: Review of socio-economic data available at FAO (Vannuccini et al)
 - IOTC-2026-WPSE03-07: EU data collection framework and economic indicators available and collected through EU legislation (ICES)
 - 4.2. Socio-economic data assessment relevant to tuna fishing nations and fisheries
 - IOTC-2026-WPSE03-11: Update review of Socio-Economic indicators from Coastal countries in Indian Ocean (IOTC Secretariat)
 - 4.3. Presentations from CPCs
 - IOTC-2026-WPSE03-09 - A study of the dynamics of price fluctuation of the prime tuna species in determining operational strategies of tuna gillnet vessels in Pakistan (Khan)
 - IOTC-2026-WPSE03-12_Rev1-A comparative analysis of the semi-industrial longline fleet efficiency in Seychelles (Antoine et al)
 - IOTC-2026-WPSE03-13 - Socio-Economic dependency and limited adaptive capacity in Indonesian tuna fishing households evidence from Kendari and Ternate (Muawanah et al)
 - 4.4. Selection of Key Indicators
 - Presenting the indicators from last year WPSE meeting for further discussion
 - 4.5. Mapping value chains and market organisation in Indian Ocean coastal countries
 - IOTC-2026-WPSE03-06 - Reducing drifting Fish Aggregating Devices number and impacts through cooperation (Guillotreau et al)
5. **INCORPORATING FISHERIES SOCIO-ECONOMICS INTO IOTC SCIENCE AND MANAGEMENT**
 - 5.1. Applied fisheries economic and social science research relevant to IOTC fisheries (e.g., climate change)
 - IOTC-2026-WPSE03-08 - Extreme and compound climate events and their implications for fisheries (Cheung et al)
 - IOTC-2026-WPSE03-14 - Implications of fishing on climate change and vice versa (Sumaila et al)

6. WPSE PROGRAMME OF WORK (Chairperson and IOTC Secretariat)

6.1. WPSE Programme of Work (2027–2031) and research priorities

- IOTC-2026-WPSE03-05: Revision of the WPSE programme of work (2027–2031)

6.2. Regional cooperation and capacity building

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1. Election of a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson of the WPSE for the next biennium (IOTC Secretariat)

7.2. Date and place of the 4th and 5th Sessions of the WPSE (Chairperson and IOTC Secretariat)

7.3. Development of priorities for Invited Expert(s) or consultant(s) at the next WPSE meeting (Chairperson)

7.4. Review of the draft, and adoption of the Report of the 3rd Session of the WPSE (Chairperson)