

# **AGENDA for the 7<sup>th</sup> Session of the WPDCS**

## **(3-4 December 2010)**

### **1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**

### **2. PROGRESS REPORT OF THE SECRETARIAT ON DATA RELATED ISSUES**

- Report on IOTC Data Collection and Statistics (IOTC-2010-WPDCS-03)
- Reports on the status of IOTC databases for ALBACORE (IOTC-2010-WPDCS-04) and NERITIC TUNAS (IOTC-2010-WPDCS-05)
- Proposal for a scoring system to assess the quality of datasets at the IOTC (IOTC-2010-WPDCS-06)
- Minimum data collection and reporting requirements for observers (IOTC Resolution 10/04: Regional Scientific Observer Scheme)

### **3. MAIN DATA ISSUES OUTSTANDING**

- Catches of IOTC and bycatch species by gillnet fisheries on the high seas (Iran, Pakistan, Sri Lanka)
- Minimum data requirements for gillnet fisheries (gillnet logbook template)
- Minimum data requirements for pole-and-line fisheries (baitboat logbook template)
- Progress in the review of statistical systems for purse seiners under EU, Seychelles and Thailand flag
- Statistics of fresh-tuna longline fisheries of Taiwan, China, Malaysia and Indonesia
- Statistics of commercial longliners of India and industrial purse seiners of Iran
- Implementation of sampling systems for artisanal fisheries (to cover 5% of vessel activities) (IOTC Resolution 10/04)
- Timely estimation of total catches of main IOTC species by month and fishery (IOTC Resolution 10/01)

### **4. UPDATE ON NATIONAL STATISTICAL SYSTEMS**

- Progress in the completion of IOTC questionnaires on Fisheries Statistics Systems
- New reports on statistical systems (participants invited through IOTC funds or other participants)

### **5. RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE STATISTICS AT THE IOTC**

- Status of implementation of recommendations from WPDCS 2009
- New recommendations

### **6. ACTIVITIES TO ASSIST DATA COLLECTION AND PROCESSING IN COASTAL COUNTRIES**

- Activities under the IOTC-OFCF Project
- Activities funded by the IOTC
- Other activities (COI, BOBLME, SWIOFP)

### **7. DISSEMINATION OF THE IOTC DATA AND DOCUMENTS**

- Data for the IOTC Meetings and the general public
- IOTC Guidelines and forms for the reporting of statistics to the IOTC
- IOTC Data Summary and Field Manual

### **8. OTHER BUSINESS**

- Use of alternative time series of catches for stock assessment
- Cooperation between IOTC and ISSF: Data from canning factories
- Election of Chairperson for the next biennium

### **9. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT**