
AGENDA FOR THE THIRTEENTH WORKING PARTY ON TROPICAL TUNAS

Date: 16–23 October 2011

Location: Paradise Island Resort, Lankanfinolhu,
North Malé Atoll, Maldives

Time: 09:00 – 17:00 daily

1. **OPENING OF THE MEETING** (Chair)
2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA** (Chair)
3. **OUTCOMES OF THE THIRTEENTH SESSION OF THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE** (Secretariat)
4. **OUTCOMES OF THE FIFTEENTH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION** (Secretariat)
5. **PROGRESS ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF WPTT12** (Secretariat)
6. **REVIEW OF DATA AVAILABLE FOR TROPICAL TUNA SPECIES**
 - 6.1 Review of the statistical data available for tropical tuna species (Secretariat)
 - 6.2 Develop recommendations to the Scientific Committee
7. **NEW INFORMATION ON BIOLOGY, ECOLOGY, FISHERIES, ENVIRONMENTAL DATA AND STOCK STRUCTURE RELATING TO TROPICAL TUNAS**
 - 7.1 Review new information on the biology, stock structure, their fisheries and associated environmental data (CPC papers)
8. **REVIEW OF NEW INFORMATION ON THE STATUS OF SKIPJACK TUNA**
 - 8.1 Data for input into stock assessments:
 - Catch and effort
 - Catch at size
 - Growth curves and age-length key
 - Catch at age
 - CPUE indices and standardised CPUE indices
 - Tagging data
 - 8.2 Stock assessments
 - 8.3 Selection of Stock Status indicators
9. **REVIEW OF NEW INFORMATION ON THE STATUS OF YELLOWFIN TUNA**
 - 9.1 Data for input into stock assessments:
 - Catch and effort
 - Catch at size
 - Growth curves and age-length key
 - Catch at age
 - CPUE indices and standardised CPUE indices
 - Tagging data
 - 9.2 Stock assessments
 - 9.3 Selection of Stock Status indicators
10. **REVIEW OF NEW INFORMATION ON THE STATUS OF BIGEYE TUNA**
 - 10.1 Data for input into stock assessments:
 - Catch and effort
 - Catch at size

- Growth curves and age-length key
 - Catch at age
 - CPUE indices and standardised CPUE indices
 - Tagging data
- 10.2 Stock assessment updates
- 10.3 Selection of Stock Status indicators

11. DEVELOPMENT OF TECHNICAL ADVICE ON THE STATUS OF THE STOCKS

12. ANALYSIS OF TAGGING DATA

13. ANALYSIS OF THE TIME-AREA CLOSURES (including Resolution 10/01)

14. EFFECT OF PIRACY ON TROPICAL TUNA CATCHES

15. METHODS

- 15.1 Reference points and harvest control rules for IOTC stocks
- 15.2 Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE)
- 15.3 Advances in CPUE standardisation
- 15.4 Presentation of stock assessment results from multiple models

16. RESEARCH RECOMMENDATIONS AND PRIORITIES

- 16.1 Develop a draft work plan
- 16.2 Develop recommendations to the Scientific Committee

17. OTHER BUSINESS

- 17.1 Development of priorities for an Invited Expert at the next Working Party on Tropical Tuna meeting
- 17.2 Date and place of the Fourteenth Session of the Working Party on Tropical Tunas
- 17.3 Election of a Vice-Chairperson of the Working Party on Tropical Tunas for the next biennium
- 17.4 Review of the draft, and adoption of the Report of the Thirteenth Session of the Working Party on Tropical Tunas