

REPORT FROM THE CCSBT OBSERVER TO
Twenty Fourth Session of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission
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The Twenty-fourth Session of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission was planned to be held in Bali, Indonesia, in May 2020. However, due to the Covid-19 pandemic situation, the face-to-face meeting was canceled and replaced by a virtual meeting. Therefore, The Twenty-fourth Session of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission plan to be held from 2 to 6 November 2020 through video-conference.

Based on the IOTC HOD meeting on 18 August 2020, it was indicated that the Chair of the Commission did not propose restricting any CMMs proposals being submitted in 2020. However, the Chair strongly recommends that CPs only submit proposals that have already been subject to advanced consultation, and the consensus is possible in a reduced format.

No CMMs will expiring in 2020; however, Resolution 19/01 On An Interim Plan for Rebuilding the Indian Ocean Yellowfin Tuna Stock in the IOTC Area of Competence and Resolution 15/10 On Target and Limit Reference Points and a Decision Framework are due for review. Some of the members proposed that the Commission to roll-over the review of those resolutions to 2021.

Indonesia will continue as CCSBT Observer in The Twenty-fourth Session of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission.