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17.2. Activities with Other Organisations

Purpose

To brief the Extended Commission on interactions with other organisations during 2007 and proposals for 2008.

Activities in 2007

Secretariat staff participated in the following non CCSBT meetings since CCSBT13:

- Joint Tuna RFMO, Kobe
- FIRMS/CWP Technical Meeting, Rome
- Joint Tuna RFMO, Rome
- COFI Meeting, Rome
- Tuna RFMOs Secretaries, Rome
- Joint Tuna RFMO Harmonisation WG, USA

The Executive Secretary was invited to attend the annual meetings of ICCAT, IATTC, IOTC, WCPFC and CCAMLR. After examination of the draft agendas it was judged that there was nothing of direct significance to the CCSBT and the invitations were declined. The Executive Secretary indicated that the interests of the CCSBT would be represented by a member of the CCSBT attending the annual meetings.

The Executive Secretary is in regular contact with the Executive Secretaries of other regional fisheries bodies on matters of mutual interest.

Activities in 2008

Known meetings of interest to the Extended Commission are:-

- Annual meetings of other tuna regional bodies – June-December 2008
- CCAMLR annual meeting – October 2008 Hobart Australia
- Intercessional CWP meeting Dartmouth Canada June 2008
- Chairs Meeting of Joint Tuna RFMO USA February 2008
- Tuna RFMOs Secretaries Rome Early 2008
- 2nd FIRMS Tech group 5th Firms Steer/CWP meeting Rome January 2008
- Harmonisation of trade (Kobe WG2) USA tentative

It is proposed to continue the practice of deciding whether to attend the annual meetings of other regional fisheries bodies and other meetings of interest on the basis of the specific interests of the CCSBT in the agendas.

The budget prepared for 2008 provides for participation in the identified meetings except for the annual meetings of other regional fisheries bodies.

For consideration

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