

**Provisional Agenda**  
**Extended Commission of the Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Commission**  
**10-13 October 2011**  
**Bali, Indonesia**

1. Opening of the Meeting
  - 1.1. Confirmation of Chair and Vice-Chair for the Extended Commission of the Eighteenth Meeting of the Commission
  - 1.2. Adoption of Agenda
  - 1.3. Opening Statements

*Opening statements will be incorporated in the official record of the meeting. Electronic copies should be provided to the Secretariat.*

    - 1.3.1. Members
    - 1.3.2. Cooperating Non-members
    - 1.3.3. Observers
2. Report from the Secretariat

*The Executive Secretary will present a report on the activities of the Secretariat in the preceding year. It is typically assumed that participants have read the report, so this agenda item is primarily for comments and questions on the report.*
3. Finance and Administration

*The Executive Secretary will present a brief outline of the revised 2011 budget and the proposed budget for 2012. Detailed consideration of the budget and other administrative matters will be referred to the Finance and Administration Committee which will report back to the Extended Commission (EC) with a recommended budget. The main pending issues from CCSBT 17 are possible addition of one staff member to the Secretariat to work as a Compliance Officer, and funding for the aerial survey currently conducted by Australia.*

  - 3.1. Report from the Finance and Administration Committee
  - 3.2. Discussion on Finance Issues and adoption of budget
4. Review of SBT Fisheries and ERS Interactions

*Each Member and Cooperating Non-Member will submit a report prior to the meeting, reporting on its SBT fishing activities in the previous season and including all sources of SBT mortality. The current reporting format for the Extended Commission is attached. Participants are expected to have read these reports, so they will not be presented at the meeting. This agenda item is therefore for questions, comments and follow-up discussion in relation to the reports. Discussion may not be necessary for issues that have been discussed in the preceding meeting of the Compliance Committee.*

  - 4.1. Reports on Members projects

*This sub agenda item is placed here to provide an opportunity for Members to report on special projects.*

    - 4.1.1. Market Monitoring
    - 4.1.2. Australian SBT farming operations, including implementation of stereo video monitoring
    - 4.1.3. Other

5. **Report from the Compliance Committee**

*The Chair of the Compliance Committee will present the report of the Committee's Sixth meeting held on 6-8 October 2011. The Compliance Committee may have recommendations or draft resolutions for the EC to consider on issues such as compliance with existing measures, or the Compliance Plan and associated compliance policies.*

6. **Report from the Special Meeting of the Extended Commission**

*The Chair will present the report from the Special Meeting, the major agenda items of which were the evaluation and adoption of a management procedure, and the total allowable catch and its allocation.*

7. **Report from the Extended Scientific Committee**

*The report of the ESC will have been presented to the August Special Meeting of the Extended Commission by the Chair of the ESC. Consequently, it is intended that the ESC Chair only present an abbreviated report to the Extended Commission, or that no report be presented but that the ESC Chair be available for questions and advice. It is suggested that the Special Meeting advise on whether a presentation is required.*

8. **Adoption of a Management Procedure**

*The discussion required for this agenda item will be dependent on the outcomes of the August Special Meeting, which will also be considering the Management Procedure.*

*The Resolution on the Total Allowable Catch and Future Management of Southern Bluefin Tuna adopted at CCSBT 16 specified that a Management Procedure (MP) should be implemented in 2011 and be the basis for TAC setting for 2012 and beyond. The resolution also specified that in the event that an MP cannot be finalised by 2012, the Extended Commission shall adopt a reduction of the TAC for the 2012 fishing season to a level of 5,000t - 6,000t unless the Extended Commission decides otherwise based upon the new stock assessment.*

*Adoption of a Management Procedure and the rules that govern its operation is one of the main priorities for this meeting. In discussing the MP, it should be noted that the recommended strategic plan specifies that parameters should be set for the MP that ensure the precautionary principle is applied and ecosystem management is incorporated.*

9. **Total Allowable Catch and its Allocation**

9.1 **TAC determination**

*The global TAC for SBT in 2012, or 2012 and after, needs to be set at this meeting.*

9.2 **Research Mortality Allowance**

*This item provides the opportunity for Members to seek approval for Research Mortality Allowance associated with national research activity in 2012.*

9.3 **Allocation of TAC**

*The discussion required for this agenda item will be dependent on the outcomes of the August Special Meeting, which will also be considering allocation of the TAC.*

*Allocation of the global TAC for 2012 needs to be decided at this meeting.*

*CCSBT 17 noted that defined rules about allocation of the TAC will be required under the Management Procedure. Allocation issues that require consideration include: Review of Japan's reduced allocation in accordance with paragraph 66 of the CCSBT 13 report; The allocation to South Africa for when it ratifies its Membership to the CCSBT and how CCSBT will allocate to future new Members; and Clear, predefined rules for allocation of the TAC whenever it is changed by the MP.*

**10. Adoption and implementation of the CCSBT Strategic Plan**

*The August Special Meeting of the Extended Commission will be considering the revised Strategic Plan if time permits and may either adopt the plan at its meeting or make recommendations to the Extended Commission. If the plan is adopted by the Special Meeting, implementation issues will need to be considered further here.*

**11. Cooperating Non-Members**

*The resolution establishing the status of Cooperating Non-Member requires an annual review of the continuation of that status based on performance against the undertakings given to the Extended Commission. There are three Cooperating Non-Members to consider: Philippines, South Africa and the European Union.*

**12. Relationship with Non-members**

*This item is for the discussion of issues related to identified countries. A report from the Secretariat will be available to facilitate discussion.*

**13. Activities with Other Organisations**

*CCSBT 17 decided that specific CCSBT Members would act as the CCSBT observers at RFMO meetings of interest<sup>1</sup> and that these Members would provide reports back to the CCSBT on matters of relevance in order to improve coordination with other RFMOs. This agenda item provides the opportunity for:*

- Observer Members to provide brief reports on matters of relevance from these meetings;*
- Agree on CCSBT observers at non-CCSBT meetings during 2012; and*
- The Secretariat to provide a brief report on the 2011 Joint Meeting of Tuna RFMOs (Kobe III), and a summary of the Secretariats activities with other organisations in 2011 together with proposed activities with other organisations in 2012.*

**14. Confidentiality of Data and Documents**

**14.1. Pending issues on CCSBT Confidentiality arrangements**

*Three paragraphs (5c, 21 and 22) of the Rules and Procedures for the Protection, Access to, and Dissemination of Data Compiled by the CCSBT were not implemented at CCSBT 17. The issues with these three paragraphs will be discussed at the August Special Meeting if time permits, in which case, they may not need to be considered further here.*

**14.2. Confidentiality of reports and documents from 2011**

*This agenda item is to determine whether the reports of meetings and any documents produced for meetings related to CCSBT18 should be restricted from public release<sup>2</sup>.*

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<sup>1</sup> With WCPFC, CCAMLR, IOTC, ICCAT and IATTC being observed by New Zealand, Australia, Japan, Japan and Taiwan respectively.

<sup>2</sup> Reports of meetings related to CCSBT 18 become publicly available after CCSBT 18 unless the Extended Commission agrees to restrict the availability of a report. Similarly, documents submitted to such meetings become publicly available after CCSBT 18 unless the document contains previously restricted information, or unless the author of the document (or Member if the author is a representative of a Member) makes a request to restrict its release.

## 15. Other Business

### 15.1. Meetings for 2012

*Consideration needs to be given to the dates, timing, duration and content of Meetings for 2012. In particular:*

#### Ecologically Related Species Working Group (ERSWG)

- *The ERSWG meeting is scheduled for the first half of 2012<sup>3</sup>. Intersessional discussion reached agreement that: (1) the meeting would be held during March/April in Tokyo, with the host country expressing a preference for the middle of March;(2) all Members agreed to a 4 day meeting or were willing to be flexible on duration. However, one Member noted that 4 days might be more than required.*
- *The Extended Commission should give direction on any special issues that it wishes the ERSWG to consider.*

#### Strategy and Fisheries Management Working Group Meeting (SFMWG)

- *The need for an SFMWG meeting in 2012 should be considered, noting that section 7.3(ii) of the proposed CCSBT strategic plan provides that the ongoing role of the SFMWG should be clearly defined.*
- *If an SFMWG meeting is held, it could be held back to back with the ERSWG meeting.*

#### Extended Scientific Committee Meeting (ESC)

- *Assuming successful completion of the stock assessment and adoption of the MP, the duration of the ESC meeting might be reduced and its timing moved back to early September. The ESC should provide recommendations on these matters*

#### Compliance Committee and Annual Commission Meetings

- *The annual meeting usually commences in the middle of October, with the Compliance Committee occurring before that. While the timing is similar each year, the duration of the two meetings could change dependent on progress at CCSBT 18.*

## 16. Close of Meeting

### 16.1. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for the Extended Commission of the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the CCSBT

### 16.2. Adoption of report

### 16.3. Close of meeting

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<sup>3</sup> *CCSBT 16 agreed that the next meeting of the ERSWG would be held no later than the first half of 2012.*