

**Provisional Agenda**  
**Extended Scientific Committee for the Seventeenth Meeting of the Scientific Committee**  
**Tokyo, Japan**  
**27 – 31 August, 2012**

**1. Opening**

- 1.1. Introduction of Participants
- 1.2. Administrative Arrangements

**2. Appointment of Rapporteurs**

**3. Adoption of Agenda and Document List**

**4. Review of SBT Fisheries**

- 4.1. Presentation of National Reports
- 4.2. Secretariat Review of Catches

**5. Evaluation of Fisheries Indicators**

**6. Report on intersessional scientific activities**

*This is a placeholder agenda item to allow presentation on other work not covered in the agenda items. The farm and market studies could go here if required.*

**7. Report from the CPUE modelling group**

- 7.1. Investigation of CPUE data from the early years of the fishery to evaluate whether catchability (q) decreased during the “fishing down” phase
- 7.2. Further analyses on whether there has been a recent increase in catchability and operational changes in the longline fleet

**8. Evaluation of new data sources and models**

- 8.1. Results from close-kin genetics analysis
- 8.2. Direct ageing data
- 8.3. Results from global spatial dynamics project
- 8.4. Possibility of using scientific aerial survey data to develop an index for 1 year old SBT
- 8.5. Evaluation of use of commercial spotting data and the feasibility of conducting scientific aerial surveys less frequently to minimize the financial burden of the surveys

**9. SBT Assessment, Stock Status and Management**

- 9.1. Status of the SBT Stock
- 9.2. SBT Management Recommendations

## **10. Update of MP and OM codes**

- 10.1. Discuss issues related to the update of the MP and OM codes
- 10.2. Review of compiled MP Specifications

## **11. Initial consideration of an updated scientific research plan with the aim of finalizing the plan at the 2013 ESC meeting**

## **12. Requirements for Data Exchange in 2013**

## **13. Research Mortality Allowance**

## **14. Report of the Ecologically Related Species Working Group**

## **15. Use of Trade Figures for Analysing Market Trends**

*The Compliance Committee recommended to the Extended Commission that market analyses be conducted and that a subscription to trade data be taken out to allow the analyses to be undertaken. Further, the Compliance Committee recommended that the ESC be tasked with developing a method for using these trade figures for analysing market trends. The Secretariat will provide a paper detailing the subscription that has been taken out together with some exploratory analyses of the trade information.*

## **16. Workplan, Timetable and Research Budget for 2013**

- 16.1. Overview, time schedule and budgetary implications of proposed 2013 research activities
- 16.2. Timing, length and structure of next meeting

## **17. Other Matters**

## **18. Adoption of Meeting Report**

## **19. Close of Meeting**