

**REPORT FROM THE CCSBT OBSERVER (TAIWAN)
ON THE 98th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION**

1. The 98th annual meeting of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) was held from 23-27 August 2021 by Videoconference.
2. The Meeting was attended by representatives of 20 Members of the Commission (Kiribati was absent). Bolivia, Chile, Honduras, Indonesia and Liberia attended as Cooperating Non-Members. Several international governmental organizations and non-governmental organizations were also represented.

Cooperation between IATTC and CCSBT

3. No matter related to cooperation between IATTC and CCSBT was discussed in the meeting.

Adopted Resolutions

4. *A long term Conservation and Management measures for Pacific Bluefin tuna in the eastern Pacific Ocean*

Based on the outcome of the Joint IATTC-WCPFC Northern Committee (NC) Working Group meeting held in July, the United States proposed a revision of a long term management framework for the conservation and management of Pacific Bluefin Tuna in the eastern Pacific Ocean, adding the harvest control rules during the second rebuilding period. This proposal was approved by members and adopted by the Commission.

Other Issues Discussed

5. Base on the outcome of 1st Workshop on Implementation of an Electronic Monitoring System (EMS), the Commission discussed and reviewed elements of the EMS workshop, the terms of reference, the definition and the workplan. All of the elements were tentatively approved. And the next meeting of the EMS workshop will be held in October to further discuss institutional structure, goals and scope of the EMS.

Place and date of next meeting

6. The 98th annual meeting was divided into two sessions, the 98th annual meeting in August and the 98th annual meeting (continued) in October. And it was agreed that the 98th annual meeting (continued) of IATTC will be held in 18 October by videoconference in order to avoid overlapping meetings with other RFMOs.