

**REPORT FROM THE CCSBT OBSERVER (TAIWAN)
ON THE 101st ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION**

1. The 101st annual meeting of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) were held from August 7 to 11, 2023. All Members, except Kiribati, and Cooperating Non-Members attended the meeting. Several international governmental organizations and non-governmental organizations were also represented.

Cooperation between IATTC and CCSBT

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

Adopted Resolutions

There are twelve Resolutions adopted by the 101st annual meeting as below.

3. *Amendment to harvest strategy for north pacific albacore in the eastern pacific ocean (C-23-02)*
4. *Amendment to resolution c-16-02 on harvest control rules for tropical tunas (yellowfin, bigeye, and skipjack) (C-23-06)*
5. *Conservation measures for the protection and sustainable management of sharks (C-23-07)*
6. *Conservation measures for shark species, with special emphasis on the silky shark (Carcharhinus falciformis), for the years 2024 and 2025 (C-23-08)*
7. *On climate change (C-23-10)*
8. *To amend resolution C-14-02 on the establishment of a vessel monitoring system(VMS) (C-23-11)*
9. *Amendment to resolution C-21-01 on a long-term management framework for the conservation and management of pacific bluefin tuna in the eastern pacific ocean (C-23-01)*
10. *Amendment to resolution C-99-08 on fishaggregating devices (C-23-03)*
11. *On the design and biodegradability of drifting fish aggregating devices (DFADS) in the IATTC area of competence (C-23-04)*
12. *Amendment to resolution C-19-01 on the collection and analyses of data fish-aggregating devices (C-23-05)*
13. *Research for the management of dolphinfish (DORADO) (Coryphaena hippurus) (C-23-09)*
14. *Financing for Fiscal Year 2024 (C-23-12)*

Other Issues Discussed

15. Proposed increasing coverage rate of observers on longline vessels

Ecuador put forth a proposal requesting increasing the coverage rate for longline vessels, which is currently 5% as required, through both human and electronic observers. However, the commission didn't reach consensus on this issue.

16. Proposed management on south pacific albacore in the eastern pacific ocean

The commission reached consensus to put in the meeting records that members commit to limit the number of longline vessels fish for South Pacific albacore south of the equator in the Convention Area to the highest level reported during the period from 2012 to 2021.

Place and date of next meeting

17. The Commission decided that the next annual meeting would be held in the early September in 2024. Panama will host the meeting in a venue to be decided and announced.