

CCSBT-EC/1810/05 (Rev. 1)

DRAFT REVISED 2018 BUDGET

Purpose

To agree a revised budget for 2018.

Discussion

A draft revised budget for 2018 is provided at **Attachment A**. The revision incorporates actual income and expenditure as at 31 August 2018 together with forecast income and expenditure for the remainder of the year.

The following assumptions have been made with respect to the income and expenditure in the draft revised budget.

Income:

• No assumptions required: The assumptions in the previous revision of this paper have now been realised.

Expenditure:

• A further saving of about \$100,000 is possible if the Australian Government is able to revise its regulations relating to the CCSBT¹ to fully exempt the CCSBT from the Australian Goods and Services Tax (GST). It is not yet known when the revised regulations will be finalised and approved, so this potential saving has not been incorporated in the revised budget.

Given the above assumptions, the forecast final income and expenditure for 2018 is provided at **Attachment A**.

The variations in income for 2018 from that approved by CCSBT 24 were:

- A reduction of \$17,000 in planned withdrawals from accumulated savings²;
- Improved returns on investments of \$17,969³;
- An increase of \$4,397 in voluntary contributions from Members⁴; and
- Increased returns of \$662 from the Staff Assessment Levy⁵.

Expenditure for 2018 is forecast to total \$2,805,753, which is a 3.7% decrease on the amount of \$2,915,006 approved for 2018. Minor savings are forecast across each of the seven expenditure areas of the budget.

The indicative budget for 2019 considered by CCSBT 24 assumed that there would be a \$50,000 saving from 2018 that could be carried forward to 2019. More than double this amount was achieved, with the actual savings in expenditure being ~\$109,000. However, nearly \$23,000 of this saving is against the European Union grant for meeting costs, so that the expenditure savings for the CCSBT becomes ~\$86,000.

¹ Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna (Privileges and Immunities) Regulations 1996.

² The reduction in withdrawals was due to reduced expenditure.

³ Largely due to interest from term deposits opened in 2017 that matured in 2018.

⁴ Due to: (1) Better than anticipated exchange rate between the Euro and the Australian dollar; and (2) Inclusion of voluntary funds to be provided by New Zealand for the OMMP consultant.

⁵ The Staff Assessment Levy appears on both the income and expenditure side of the budget, so it has no net effect.

The Extended Commission is invited to consider the forecast final income and expenditure in Attachment A for the revised budget for 2018.				
Prepared by the Secretariat				

GENERAL BUDGET - 2018

INCOME	2018 APPROVED BUDGET	Forecast Final Income	% Variation	
Contributions from Members	\$2,506,088	\$2,506,088	0.0%	
Japan	\$717,862	\$717,862		
Australia	\$717,862	\$717,862		
New Zealand	\$204,081	\$204,081		
Korea	\$219,514	\$219,514		
Fishing Entity of Taiwan	\$219,514	\$219,514		
Indonesia	\$195,378	\$195,378		
European Union	\$95,092	\$95,092		
South Africa	\$136,785	\$136,785		
Staff Assessment Levy	\$109,300	\$109,962	0.6%	
Carryover from previous year	\$0	\$0	-	
Voluntary contributions from Members ¹	\$105,388	\$120,467	14.3%	
Voluntary contributions to meeting costs ²	\$158,230	\$147,548	-6.8%	
Withdrawal from savings	\$17,000	\$0.00	-100.0%	
Interest on investments ³	\$19,000	\$36,969	94.6%	
TOTAL GROSS INCOME	\$2,915,006	\$2,921,034	0.2%	

¹ The voluntary contributions in 2018 is a maximum of \$120,467 (80,000 euros) for stage 1 of the Long-Term Gene Tagging in 2018 from the European Union (EU), subject to invoices at the end of the project - it is expected that invoices will reach the maximum amount.

² The voluntary contributions to meeting costs for 2018 comprise: (1) a maximum of \$175,059 (113,986 euros) for meetings being hosted by the European Union in 2018, subject to invoices at the end of the project. The amount recorded in the interim draft revised budget reflect the anticipated invoices at conclusion of these meetings; and (2) \$9,825.45 provided by New Zealand for the fees, accomodation and subsistance of the consultant for the OMMP 9 meeting.

³ Interest on investments does not include interest earned from the staff liability fund (which is estimated to be \$4,779 in 2018).

	2018	2018	Forecast	Forecast	
	APPROVED	Expenditure	Remaining	Final	%
EXPENDITURE	BUDGET	to date	Expenditure 1	Expenditure	variation
ANNUAL MEETINGS - (EC/CC)	\$218,900	\$87,621.59	\$113,500	201,122	-8.1
Independent chairs	\$27,900	5,288	21,300 41,300	26,588	-4.7
Interpretation costs Hire of venue & catering ²	\$55,300	13,618	,	54,918	-0.7
Hire of venue & catering Hire of equipment ²	\$63,800	35,491	21,300	56,791	-11.0
	\$33,800 \$10,000	20,240	8,200	28,440 10,000	-15.9
Translation/of meeting documents Secretariat expenses	\$28,100	12,985	10,000 11,400	24,385	-13.2
Secretariat expenses	Ψ20,100	12,703	11,400	24,303	13.2
EXTENDED SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE	\$281,600	\$150,723.36	\$94,900	245,623	-12.8
Interpretation costs	\$68,000	31,353	34,100	65,453	-3.7
Hire of venue & catering ²	\$36,700	22,345	6,800	29,145	-20.6
Hire of equipment ²	\$21,300	13,668	4,700	18,368	-13.8
Hire of consultants - Chairs and Advisory Panel	\$105,200	50,020	48,100	98,120	-6.7
Translation of meeting documents	\$1,000	0	0	0	-
Secretariat expenses	\$49,400	33,337	1,200	34,537	-30.1
SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS	\$116,606	\$113,587.86	-\$3,500	110,088	-5.6
Strategy and Fisheries Management WG Meeting ³	\$59,306	63,041	-12,900	50,141	-15.5
OMMP Technical Meeting (5 day, intersessional) ⁴	\$42,300	41,925	0	41,925	-0.9
OMMP Technical Meeting (1 day, prior to ESC) ²	\$15,000	8,622	9,400	18,022	20.1
SCIENCE PROGRAM	\$949,600	\$654,288.56	\$312,100	934,081	-1.6
Intersessional OM/MP Maintenance & Development	\$7,200	\$417	6,600	7,017	-2.5
Development of the CPUE series	\$3,400	\$65	2,000	2,065	-39.3
Tagging program coordination	\$1,000	\$0	1,000	1,000	0.0
Long-Term Gene Tagging Project ^{5,6}	\$770,000	\$539,000	220,000	759,000	-1.4
Close-kin sampling, DNA extraction & sequencing ⁷	\$79,200	\$39,600	39,600	79,200	0.0
Close-kin identification & exchange (POP & HSP)	\$33,000	\$16,500	16,500	33,000	0.0
Sampling and aging of Indonesian otoliths	\$52,800	\$26,400 \$0	26,400	52,800	0.0
Participation of ERSWG Chair in tRFMO WG meetings	\$3,000	<i>\$0</i>	0	U	-100.0
SPECIAL PROJECTS	\$62,600	\$32,307	26,300	58,607	-6.4
Quality Assurance Review	\$52,600	\$32,307	20,300	52,607	0.0
Compliance assistance	\$10,000	\$0	6,000	6,000	-40.0
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SECRETARIAT COSTS	\$1,109,800	\$704,927.73 \$462.555	\$377,500	1,082,428	-2.5
Secretariat staff costs	\$726,100 \$109.300	, , ,, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	253,400	715,955	-1.4
Staff assessment levy Employer social security	\$109,300	\$70,262 \$88,240	39,700 48,300	109,962 136,540	-1.0
Insurance -worker's comp/travel/contents	\$137,900	\$10,256	3,600	13,856	-3.8
Travel/transport	\$35,200	\$17,774	3,900	21,674	-38.4
Translation of meeting reports	\$21,500	\$0	19,300	19,300	-10.2
Training Training	\$2,000	\$3.169	0	3,169	58.5
Home leave allowance	\$8,600	\$0	8,600	8,600	0.0
Other employment expenses	\$2,300	\$173	700	873	-62.0
Recruitment expenses	\$0	\$0	0	0	-
Staff liability fund (accumulating)	\$52,500	\$52,500	0	52,500	0.0
OFFICE MANAGEMENT COSTS	\$175,900	\$130,203.81	\$43,600	173,804	-1.2
Office lease and storage Office costs	\$68,500 \$87,600	\$50,458 \$70,662	17,500 16,900	67,958 87,562	-0.8
Provision for new/replacement assets	\$12,100	\$5,616	5,500	11,116	-8.1
Telephone/communications	\$7,700	\$3,468	3,700	7,168	-6.9
TOTAL GROSS EXPENDITURE	\$2,915,006	1,841,353	964,400	2,805,753	-3.7

Attachment A

¹ These estimates are rounded up to the nearest \$100

² The EU is hosting these meetings in 2018 and it has provided a grant to the CCSBT Secretariat for the Secretariat to pay the catering, venue and equipment hire components of these costs.

³ Australia (AU) and New Zealand (NZ) jointly funded the participation of two panel members. The negative forecast remaining expenditure is due to a reimbursement for the panel Members that had not been provided as at 31 August 2018 (but has since been provided). The forecast final expenditure does not include the cost of these panel members as it was an AU/NZ initiative (not a CCSBT decision) to have these panel Members at the meeting.

⁴ New Zealand is contributing \$9,825.45 towards the consultants costs for the OMMP 9 meeting.

 $^{^{5}}$ The EU is contributing up to 80,000 euros for stage 1 of the 2018 long term gene tagging project.

⁶ CSIRO is providing an "In-kind" contribution to this project of \$322,000.

⁷ CSIRO is providing an "In-kind" contribution of up to \$61,000 for the close-kin work.