



**COMMISSION
SIXTEENTH REGULAR SESSION**
Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea
5 – 11 December 2019

INDICATIVE SCHEDULE

**WCPFC16-2019-01A
4 December 2019**

[Note: The Indicative Schedule will be updated daily as the meeting progresses.]

DAY 1 - THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER

8am Onwards	Registration desk opens	Doc
8.45 – 9.00am	Meeting participants should be seated for start of opening ceremony	
9.00 – 10.00am	Opening Ceremony	
10.00 – 10.30am	MORNING TEA <i>Finalisation of CMR SWG – Breakout Room 1</i>	
10.30 – 12.30pm	Agenda item 1. Opening of meeting 1.1 Adoption of agenda 1.2 Statements from Members and Participating Territories 1.3 Meeting arrangements <i>1.3.1 Establishment of SWGs (see page 2)</i>	01
	Agenda item 2. Report of the Executive Director	04
	Agenda item 3. Membership and other applications 3.1 Status of the Convention 3.2 Update on observer status 3.3 Applications for CNM status	05 06 07
	Agenda item 5. Special requirements of developing states 5.1 Implementation of Article 30 and CMM 2013-07 5.2 Updated Strategic Investment Plan	IP01 DP01 (FFA) DP18 (EU) 08
	Agenda item 4. New Proposals <i>List of proposals as considered by HOD (see page 3-4)</i>	(see page 3)
12.30 – 1.30pm	LUNCH <i>CMM on CMS SWG – Breakout Room (tbc)</i>	
1.30 – 3.30pm	Agenda item 4. New Proposals (to continue)	
3.30 – 4.00pm	AFTERNOON TEA	
4.00 – 5.30pm	Agenda item 4. New Proposals (to continue)	
6.30pm – 9pm	Opening Reception at APEC House hosted by PNG Government	

List of possible SWGs

as amended considering HOD discussions

- Cooperating Non-Members SWG - **Nauru**
- Finalisation of the Compliance Monitoring Report (WCPFC16-2019-fCMR_draft) – **TCC Chair** (*Day 1 morning tea*)
- E-Monitoring Concept Paper (ERandEMWG-01) – **ERandEMWG Chair**
- Review of Transshipment CMM IWG – **Review of CMM 2009-06 Co-Chairs**
- Draft CMM for Sharks (IWG_Sharks-01) – **Shark IWG Chair**
- Considering enhancements to CMM on CMS in accordance with future work in Section IX in CMM 2018-07 - **TCC Vice Chair** (*Day 1 lunch*)
 - Development of process for assessing CCM actions in accordance with paragraph 7(ii) to replace paragraph 27 in CMM 2018-07 (DP03 – FFA)
 - Review Section IX of CMM 2018-07 (ref paper 30)
- List of obligations to be assessed by the CMS in 2020 – **WCPFC Vice-Chair**
- *Others as decided during WCPFC16*

**** FAC13 will continue to meet in the margins of WCPFC16**

List of Proposals for Presentation under Agenda 4
as amended considering HOD discussions

WCPFC16-2019	Title	Date of issue	Referred to agenda
DP 01 (FFA)	FFA key priorities for WCPFC 16	Nov 5	7.2.1.1 7.2.1.2 7.2.2.1 7.8 9.1 9.4.2 13.2A.4
DP 02 (FFA)	Proposal for a CMM on Mobuild Rays caught in association with fisheries in the WCPFC Convention Area	Nov 5	8.4
DP 03 (FFA)	Proposal on CMM 2018-07, Section XI: Future Work, para 46(i): development of a process for assessing CCM actions in accordance with para 7(ii)(b) to replace para 27	Nov 5	10.2
DP 04 (FFA) DP04_suppl	Climate Change	Nov 5 Dec 4	13.2A.3
DP 05 (FFA)	South Pacific Albacore Roadmap and Harvest Strategy	Nov 5	7.3.1
DP 06 (FFA)	Views on high seas limits and allocation in the tropical tuna CMM	Nov 5	7.2.2.1
DP 07 (NZ)	Proposal on guidelines for the safe-handling and release of seabirds	Nov 5	8.3
DP 08 (EU)	Proposal to amend CMM2010-06 (WCPFC IUU List)	Nov 5	11
DP 09 (EU)	Joint T-RFMO FAD Work Group recommendations for consideration by WCPFC 16	Nov 5	7.2.2.4
DP 10 (USA)	Proposals on CMM on tropical tunas	Nov 5	7.2.2.1 7.2.2.3 7.2.2.4
DP 11 (USA)	Rules of Procedure relating to the Northern Committee	Nov 5	9.2
DP 12 (USA)	Rebuilding plan for North Pacific striped marlin	Nov 5	7.7.1
DP 13 (USA)	Proposal for CMM for Charter Notification Scheme	Nov 5	13.2A.4
DP 14 (USA)	Draft guidelines for participation of observers in closed meetings of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies which consider the compliance monitoring report	Nov 5	10.2
DP 15 (Korea)	Proposed amendment to CMM for protection of cetaceans from purse seine fishing operations (CMM2011-03)	Nov 6	8.4
DP 16 (Korea)	Proposed changes to the Rules for the FAD Closure	Nov 6	7.2.2.4

WCPFC16-2019	Title	Date of issue	Referred to agenda
DP 17 (Japan)	Proposed research project to compare WCPFC aggregated historical VMS data with AIS data on the WCPFC high seas	Nov 6	13.2A.1
DP20 (Indonesia)	Harvest Strategies for Tropical tuna in Archipelagic waters of Indonesia: Update	Nov 26	6/7
DP21 (Indonesia)	Improvement on data collection for shark as bycatch in tuna fisheries	Nov 26	5.1
IWG_Sharks-01	Draft CMM for Sharks for WCPFC16 discussion	Nov 13	8.2
IWG_CMSAuditPoints-01	Report from the IWG to develop CMS Audit Points	Nov 21	10.2
ERandEMWG-01	Revised Concept Paper on Electronic Monitoring in the WCPFC	Dec 1	9.4.2
NC15	Proposal to revise CMM on Pacific Bluefin	Dec 4	7.4
NC15	Proposal to revise CMM on North Pacific Albacore	Dec 4	7.5

* All proposals will be introduced under Agenda 4 and then substantive discussions will be referred to the relevant agenda items.

DAY 2 - FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER

9.00 – 10.30am	Continue Agenda item 5. if needed <i>Notes on Ordering of Agenda 6 and 7as considered by HOD (see page 7-8)</i> Agenda item 6. Harvest Strategy 6.1 Overview of Harvest Strategy 6.2 Harvest Strategy Display Software	09 10 11
10.30 – 11.00am	MORNING TEA	
11.00 – 12.30pm	Agenda item 7. WCPO Tuna and Billfish Stocks 7.1 General overview of stocks status 7.2 Bigeye, Skipjack and Yellowfin 7.2.1 Harvest strategy issues 7.2.1.1 Review of TRP for skipjack 7.2.1.2 TRP for bigeye and yellowfin	SC15 IP03_rev1 14 15 DP01 (FFA)
12.30 – 1.30pm	LUNCH <i>Side event for Harvest Strategy Display Software Q & A (Breakout room 1)</i>	
1.30 – 3.30pm	7.2.1.3 HCRs and MSE for skipjack 7.2.2 Review of CMM 2018-01 7.2.2.1 Purse seine limits for high seas 7.2.2.2 Purse seine EEZ limits for concerned CCMs yet to notify their limits 7.2.2.3 Longline limits for bigeye 7.2.2.4 FAD Management 7.2.2.5 Other commercial fisheries 7.2.2.6 New CMM for tropical tunas	16 17 13 IP04 IP05_rev1 DP06 (FFA) DP10 (USA) DP09 (EU) DP16 (Korea)
3.30 - 4.00 pm	AFTERNOON TEA	
4.00 – 6.00pm	7.2.2 Review of CMM 2018-01 (to continue)	
6.00 – 7.00pm		
7.00 – 8.00pm		

DAY 3 - SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER

9.00 – 10.30am	7.2.2 Review of CMM 2018-01 (to continue if needed) 7.3 South Pacific Albacore 7.3.1 Roadmap for SP albacore 7.3.2 Performance indicators 7.3.3 HCR and MSE 7.3.4 Review of CMM 2015-02	DP05 (FFA) 18 19 20 21 IP08 IP09
10.30 – 11.00am	MORNING TEA	
11.00 – 12.30pm	7.3 South Pacific Albacore (to continue if needed) 7.4 Pacific bluefin 7.4.1 Harvest strategy for Pacific bluefin 7.4.2 Review of CMM 2018-02	NC15 22 IP10

12.30 – 1.30pm	LUNCH	
1.30 - 3.30pm	7.5 North Pacific albacore 7.5.1 Harvest strategy for NP albacore 7.5.2 Review of CMM 2005-03	NC15 23 IP11
	7.6 North Pacific swordfish 7.6.1 Harvest strategy for NP swordfish fisheries	NC15
3.30 – 4.00pm	AFTERNOON TEA	
4.00 – 6.00pm	7.7 North Pacific striped marlin 7.7.1 LRP for NP swordfish fisheries 7.7.2 Review of CMM 2010-01	DP12 (USA) 24
	7.8 South Pacific striped marlin 7.8.1 LRP for SP striped marlin	25
	7.9 Others – SW Pacific Broadbill swordfish	DP01 DP19
	6.3 Management Objectives 6.4 Performance Indicators and Monitoring Strategy 6.5 Management Strategy Evaluation 6.6 TOR for Reference for a Science-Management Dialogue 6.7 Review of Work Plan	09 12 IP02
6.00 – 8pm	Late session (?)	

##Supplementary note on ordering of Discussion under Agenda Items 6 and 7

In order to facilitate discussion of Agenda Items 6 and 7, this will be the order for the discussion:

AGENDA ITEM 6: HARVEST STRATEGY

6.1 Overview of Harvest Strategy

Presentation by Dr Rob Scott (SPC-OFP) in reference to [WCPFC16-2019-09](#)

6.2 Harvest Strategy Display Software

Presentation by Dr Finlay Scott (SPC-OFP) in reference to [WCPFC16-2019-10](#) and [-11](#)

Side event: Harvest Strategy Display Software Q & A on Friday 6th December in Breakout Room 1 during Lunch break

AGENDA ITEM 7: WCPO TUNA AND BILLFISH STOCKS

7.1 General overview of stock status (bigeye, skipjack, SP albacore, yellowfin, Pacific bluefin, NP albacore and NP swordfish)

Presentation by Dr John Hampton (SPC-OFP) in reference to [SC15 outcomes on status of stocks](#) and [WCPFC16-2019-IP03_rev1](#)

Presentation by SC/ISC representative/s in reference to ISC outcomes on status of stocks for Pacific Bluefin, NP Albacore and NP Swordfish

7.2 Bigeye, Skipjack and Yellowfin

7.2.1 Harvest strategies issues

7.2.1.1 Review of target reference point for skipjack

Presentation by Dr Graham Pilling (SPC-OFP) in reference to [WCPFC16-2019-14](#)

Proposals referred from Agenda 4: [FFA \(DP01\)](#)

7.2.1.2 Target reference point for bigeye and yellowfin

Presentation by Dr Rob Scott (SPC-OFP) in reference to [WCPFC16-2019-15](#)

Proposals referred from Agenda 4: [FFA \(DP01\)](#)

7.2.1.3 Harvest control rules and management strategy evaluation for skipjack

Presentation by Dr Rob Scott (SPC-OFP) in reference to [WCPFC16-2019-16](#)

7.2.2 Review of CMM 2018-01 (bigeye, skipjack, yellowfin)

Presentation by Dr Graham Pilling (SPC-OFP) in reference to [WCPFC16-2019-17](#)

For reference: [WCPFC16-2019-13](#), [WCPFC16-2019-IP04](#) and [WCPFC16-2019-IP05_rev1](#)

7.2.2.1 Purse seine limits for high seas

Proposals referred from Agenda 4: [FFA \(DP06\)](#) and [USA \(DP10\)](#)

7.2.2.2 Purse seine EEZ limits for concerned CCMs yet to notify their limits

For reference: [WCPFC16-2019-IP04](#)

7.2.2.3 Longline limits for bigeye

Proposals referred from Agenda 4: [FFA \(DP06\)](#) and [USA \(DP10\)](#)

7.2.2.4 FAD management

Proposals referred from Agenda 4: [EU \(DP09\)](#), [USA \(DP10\)](#) and [Korea \(DP16\)](#)

7.2.2.5 Other commercial fisheries for bigeye, skipjack and yellowfin

For reference: [WCPFC16-2019-IP05_rev1](#)

7.2.2.6 New CMM for tropical tunas

{No presentation}

7.3 South Pacific Albacore

7.3.1 Roadmap for effective conservation and management of SP albacore

Proposal referred from Agenda 4: [FFA \(DP05\)](#)

Presentation by Dr Graham Pilling (SPC-OFP) in reference to [WCPFC16-2019-19](#)

- 7.3.2 Performance indicators**
- 7.3.3 Harvest control rules and management strategy evaluation**
Presentation by Dr Rob Scott (SPC-OFP) in reference to WCPFC16-2019-20 and -21
- 7.3.4 Review of CMM 2015-02 (SP Albacore)**
{No presentation}
For reference: WCPFC16-2019-18, WCPFC16-2019-IP08 and -IP09
- 7.4 Pacific Bluefin**
- 7.4.1 Harvest strategy for Pacific Bluefin**
Presentation by NC/ISC representative in reference to NC15 outcomes
- 7.4.2 Review of CMM 2018-02 and consideration of any proposed amendments**
Presentation by Chair of Northern Committee
For reference: WCPFC16-2019-22 and WCPFC16-2019-IP10
- 7.5 North Pacific albacore**
- 7.5.1 Harvest strategy for NP albacore**
Presentation by NC/ISC representative in reference to NC15 outcomes
- 7.5.2 Review of CMM 2005-03 and consideration of any proposed amendments**
Presentation by Chair of Northern Committee
For reference: WCPFC16-2019-23 and WCPFC16-2019-IP11
- 7.6 North Pacific swordfish**
- 7.6.1 Harvest strategy for NP swordfish fisheries**
Presentation by NC/ISC representative in reference to NC15 outcomes
- 7.7 North Pacific striped marlin**
- 7.7.1 Limit reference point for NP striped marlin**
- 7.7.2 Review CMM 2010-01 and consideration of any proposal for a rebuilding plan**
Proposals referred from Agenda 4: USA (DP12)
For reference: WCPFC16-2019-24
- 7.8 South Pacific striped marlin**
- 7.8.1 Limit reference point for SP striped marlin**
For reference: WCPFC16-2019-25
- 7.9 Others – SW Pacific broadbill swordfish**
Proposals referred from Agenda 4: FFA (DP01) and AU (DP19)
- AGENDA ITEM 6: HARVEST STRATEGY (continued)**
- 6.3 Management Objectives**
- 6.4 Performance Indicators and Monitoring Strategy**
{No presentation}
- 6.5 Management Strategy Evaluation**
Presentation by Dr Rob Scott (SPC-OFP) in reference to WCPFC16-2019-09
- 6.6 Terms of Reference for a Science-Management Dialogue** *For reference: -12*
- 6.7 Review of Work Plan** *For reference: WCPFC16-2019-IP02*

DAY 4 - MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER

9.00 – 10.30am	<p><i>Report back from SWGs</i></p> <p>Agenda item 8. WCPO Shark Stocks and Bycatch Mitigation</p> <p>8.1 Review of shark measures and consideration of LRPs for sharks</p> <p>8.2 Proposal for a comprehensive CMM for sharks and rays</p> <p>8.3 Review of CMM 2018-03 on Seabirds</p> <p>8.4 Others</p> <p>* Mobulid Rays</p> <p>* Protection of Cetaceans</p>	<p>26</p> <p>IWGSharks-01</p> <p>DP07</p> <p>DP02 (FFA)</p> <p>DP15 (Korea)</p>
10.30 – 11.00am	MORNING TEA	
11.00 – 12.30pm	<p>Agenda item 9. Adoption of Reports from Subsidiary Bodies</p> <p>9.1 SC15</p> <p>9.2 NC15</p> <p>9.3 TCC15</p> <p>9.4 IWGs</p> <p>9.4.1 Review of the Transshipment CMM</p> <p>9.4.2 ERandEM</p>	<p>27 (SC15)</p> <p>NC15</p> <p>28 (TCC15)</p> <p>IWG_transshipment-01</p> <p>ERandEMWG-01</p>
12.30 – 1.30pm	LUNCH	
1.30 – 3.30pm	<p>Agenda item 10. Compliance Monitoring Scheme</p> <p>10.1 Adoption of the Final CMR</p> <p>10.2 Review of workplan of tasks to enhance CMS</p> <p>10.3 Expiry of CMM 2018-07</p>	<p>29</p> <p>30</p> <p>DP03 (FFA)</p> <p>DP14 (USA)</p> <p>IWG_CMSAudit Points-01</p>
	<p>Agenda item 11. Adoption of the 2020 IUU Vessel List</p>	<p>31</p> <p>DP08 (EU)</p>
3.30 – 4.00pm	AFTERNOON TEA	
4.00 – 6.00pm		
6.00 – 8.00pm		

DAY 5 - TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER

9.00 - 10.30am		
10.30 - 11.00am	MORNING TEA	
11.00 - 12.30pm		
12.30 - 1.30pm	LUNCH	
1.30 – 3.30pm		
3.30 – 4.00pm	AFTERNOON TEA	
4.00 – 5.30pm	<p>Agenda item 12. Report of FAC13</p> <p>12.1 Report of FAC13</p> <p>12.2 Approval of Budget for 2020</p>	FAC13
6.30 – 9.00pm	Closing Reception at Stanley Hotel hosted by the PNG government	

DAY 6 (FINAL DAY) - WEDNESDAY 11TH DECEMBER

9.00 – 10.30am	Agenda item 13. Administrative matters 13.1 Secretariat Draft Corporate Plan 13.2 Research projects 13.2.1 ABNJ Project 13.2.2 Pacific Tuna Tagging Project 13.2.3 WCPFC Tissue Bank 13.2.4 WPEA	32 33 34 35 36
	13.2A. 13.2A 1 Japan proposal to compare high seas VMS data with AIS data 13.2A 2 MOU with SPRFMO 13.2A 3. Climate change 13.2A 4 Charter notifications	DP17(JP) 37 DP04 DP04_suppl DP01 (FFA) DP13 (USA)
	13.3 Election of officers	
	13.4 Future meetings	
	Agenda item 14. Other matters	
10.30 – 11.00am	MORNING TEA	
10.00 – 12.30pm		
12.30 – 1.30pm	LUNCH	
12.30 – 5.00pm	Agenda item 15. Summary Report of the WCPFC16 Agenda item 16. Close of meeting	
END OF MEETING		