



**NORTHERN COMMITTEE
TWELFTH REGULAR SESSION**

Fukuoka, Japan
29 August – 2 September 2016

MEETING NOTICE AND ARRANGEMENTS

WCPFC-NC12-2016/01

In accordance with the Commission Rules of Procedure, Members, Cooperating Non-Members and Participating Territories (CCMs) are invited to attend the Twelfth Regular Session of the Northern Committee (NC12) of the Commission for the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean. The NC12 meeting will take place in Fukuoka, Japan, 29 August – 2 September 2016. A joint meeting on PBF management of NC and IATTC will be held during NC12 when IATTC agreement is reached at its annual meeting.

NC12 Meeting Documents

In accordance with Rules of Procedure, the following provisional documents have been prepared.

- Notice of Meeting and Meeting Arrangements (WCPFC-NC12-2016/01)
- Provisional Agenda (WCPFC-NC12-2016/02);
- Provisional Annotated Agenda (WCPFC-NC12-2016/03)
- Indicative Schedule (WCPFC-NC12-2016/04)

The inclusion of any supplementary items in the agenda, accompanied by a written explanation, may be requested at least thirty days before the meeting; that is by **30 June 2016**.

Additional meeting documents will be available on the WCPFC Meeting page: <https://www.wcpfc.int/meetings/12th-regular-session-northern-committee>. All participants will be individually responsible for downloading their meeting documents and printing them. Please contact the Secretariat (sungkwon.soh@wcpfc.int) if you experience any difficulties.

Registration

All participants are requested to register electronically on the WCPFC website, NC12 meeting page. If that is not possible please print and return the completed registration form to the Secretariat (sungkwon.soh@wcpfc.int). All registrations should be completed by **5 August 2016**. For those delegations with more than one participant it is preferred that registrations be submitted in one batch by a key contact for that delegation.

Meeting Venue

The meeting venue will be at:
Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk

2-2-3 Jigyohama, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka 810-8650, Japan.
TEL:+81-92-844-8111, FAX:+81-92-844-7887

*English site:

<http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/japan/hilton-fukuoka-sea-hawk-FUKHIHI/index.html>

*Japanese site: <http://www.hiltonfukuokaseahawk.jp/>

Wireless Internet will be available at the meeting room.

Visas for Japan

Participants are responsible for securing the necessary visa to attend the meeting in Japan. Many websites provide visa information for Japan.

Climate

It will be late summer in Fukuoka and the average temperature is expected to be around 26°C (79°F).

Accommodation options

Accommodations for participants have been secured in the Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk at the special rate of 13,500 JPY (for single-use, without tax (8%) and service charge (12%), breakfast inclusive). Dedicated website for the reservation is:

http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/F/FUKHIHI-GWCPA-20160828/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Other accommodations are also available in Tenjin area or Hakata area.

Transportation from the Fukuoka Airport to the hotels

Transport from the Fukuoka Airport to Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk is available by:

- Taxi – approximately 20-minute drive from the airport (approximately 4,000 JPY).
- Bus – get on the bus bound for “Fukuoka Tower TNC (#139)” and get off at “Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk-mae” bus stop (430 JPY). The hotel is one minute walk from the bus stop. Approximately 40-minute ride from the airport.
- Subway – take the Fukuoka City Subway, getting off at “Tojin-machi” station (300 JPY). Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk is 20-minute walk from the station. Approximately 15-minute ride from the airport.

Direction from Fukuoka Airport to Hakata or Tenjin (By subway)

- Fukuoka Airport-Hakata: 5min by Kuko Line
- Fukuoka Airport-Tenjin : 11min by Kuko Line



Direction from Tenjin to Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk



By Bus: From Tenjin, get on the bus bound for “Fukuoka Tower TNC (#W1)” at “Tenjin Bus Center” bus stop and get off at “Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk-mae” bus stop. The hotel is a one minute walk from the bus stop.

Approximately 17 minute ride from the bus stop.

By subway: Take the Fukuoka City Subway, getting off at “Tojin-machi” station (200 JPY). Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk is 20-minute walk from the station.

Direction from Hakata to Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk



By Bus: From Hakata, get on the bus bound for “Fukuoka Tower TNC (#306)” or to “Fujisaki (#306)” at “Hakata bus terminal” bus stop (1F, #6) and get off at “Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk-mae” bus stop. The hotel is a one minute walk from the bus stop.

Approximately 17-minute ride from the bus stop.

By Subway: take the Fukuoka City Subway, getting off at “Tojin-machi” station (260 JPY). Hilton Fukuoka Sea Hawk is 20-minute walk from the station.

The map of the meeting venue, Hakata and Tenjin area



- There are many hotels in Hakata and Tenjin Area (over 60 hotels).
- You could search the hotel in search site by yourself.

(Booking.com (www.booking.com) is useful site (“Fukuoka” or “Hakata” in Destination/hotel name)).



Funding for Developing Countries and Territories

According to the decision made by WCPFC9, five small island developing States would be funded for travel to the NC meeting, with priority given to RMI, FSM and Palau. These are in addition to the Cook Islands, Fiji and Vanuatu who are members of the Northern Committee (Para 26, Attachment W, WCPFC9 Report). Formal nominations for participants to receive this support should be submitted to the Secretariat (aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int) by **31 July 2016** through their WCPFC Official Contact for qualifying developing countries and participating territories.