

## **Provisional Revised Agenda for the Sixth Meeting of the Scientific Committee (SC6)**

Mix of correspondence and videoconference

22–26 March 2021

Videoconferences (22–25 March) times from 6:00 to 9:00 am (UTC)  
Adoption of the report (26 March) by videoconference from 6:00 to 9:00 am (UTC) and  
e-mail

Chair: Mr Alistair Dunn

*Red: High priority, must be treated in session, by correspondence and video conference*

*Black: Urgent, may be treated in session or by correspondence depending on time*

*Grey: Will not be addressed this year due to the reduced format and postponed to 2022*

### **1. Opening**

- 1.1 Opening statement from the Chair
- 1.2 Introduction of participants

### **2. Administrative arrangements**

- 2.1 Adoption of the agenda
- 2.2 Confirmation of meeting documents
- 2.3 Appointment of rapporteurs
- 2.4 Review of functions and terms of reference
- 2.5 Advice to the MoP

### **3. Annual National reports**

- 3.1 Discussion and questions for each annual national report
- 3.2 Recommendations
- 3.3 Advice to the MoP

### **4. Current and historical status of fishing activities**

- 4.1 Spatial Extent of Historic Catch Data, Bottom Fishing Footprint
- 4.2 Overview of SIOFA fisheries 2020
- 4.3 Recommendations
- 4.4 Advice to the MoP

### **5. Scientific data standards**

- 5.1 Templates for data submission
- 5.2 Historical Catch and Effort Data
- 5.3 Annual Catch and Effort Data
- 5.4 Scientific Observer Data
  - 5.4.1 Impact of reduced observer coverage due to responses to the global pandemic
- 5.5 CMM 2019/02 Data Standards

- 5.6 Recommendations
- 5.7 Advice to the MoP

## **6. Report of the Protected Areas and Ecosystems Working Group (PAEWG3)**

- 6.1 Vulnerable Marine Ecosystems
  - 6.1.1 VME taxa list
  - 6.1.2 VME encounter thresholds (WG report)
  - 6.1.3 VME mapping (ongoing consultancy from BOREA Laboratory, Biology of Aquatic Organisms and Ecosystems)
- 6.2 Bottom Fishing Impact Assessments (BFIA)
  - 6.2.1 Trawl cumulative BFIA. Report of consultancy (Project PAE2020-01).
  - 6.2.2 Longline cumulative BFIA. Report of consultancy (Project PAE2020-01).
  - 6.2.3 Advice to the MoP
- 6.3 Protocols for interim Protected Areas and review the protected areas proposal in SIOFA.
- 6.4 Advice on management and/or research plans in the proposed and/or validated protected zones
- 6.5 SIOFA Fishing footprint
- 6.6 Recommendations
- 6.7 Advice to the MoP

## **7. Report of the Stock and Ecological Risk Assessment Working Group (SERAWG3)**

- 7.1 Alfonsino
  - 7.1.1 Update on the fishery
  - 7.1.2 Consideration of advice from SERAWG3
  - 7.1.3 Advice to the MoP
- 7.2 Patagonian toothfish
  - 7.2.1 Update on the fishery
  - 7.2.2 Consideration of advice from SERAWG3
  - 7.2.3 Advice to the MoP
- 7.3 Orange roughy
  - 7.3.1 Update on the fishery
  - 7.3.2 Consideration of advice from SERAWG3
  - 7.3.3 Advice to the MoP
- 7.4 Other species -
  - 7.4.1 Update on the fisheries
  - 7.4.2 Consideration of advice from SERAWG3
  - 7.4.3 Advice to the MoP
- 7.5 Technical work to inform reference points and harvest strategy development -
  - 7.5.1 Report of the Harvest Strategy Standard (Project SER2020-01)
  - 7.5.2 Consideration of advice from SERAWG3
  - 7.5.3 Advice to the MoP
- 7.6 Ecological risk assessment
  - 7.6.1 Deepwater chondrichthyans
  - 7.6.2 Teleosts and others
  - 7.6.3 Consideration of advice from SERAWG3
  - 7.6.4 Advice to the MoP
- 7.7 SIOFA stock assessment framework – implementation, including species categorisation and data characterisation, including refining SIOFA species list.
  - 7.7.1 Consideration of advice from SERAWG3
  - 7.7.2 Advice to the MoP
- 7.8 Reinforcing the data collection, SIOFA data/bases systems, coding and data processes

- 7.9 Review and update of the Scientific Committee workplan
- 7.10 Advice to the MoP
- 8. **Proposals to bottom fish in the Agreement Area in a manner at variance with established measures**
- 9. **Scientific impact assessments**
- 10. **Review and development of Conservation and Management Measures (CMMs)**
  - 10.1 CMM 2019/01 Interim Management of Bottom Fishing
  - 10.2 CMM 2016/03 Data Confidentiality
- 11. **Cooperation with other RFMOs and international bodies**
  - 11.1 ABNJ Deep Sea Project
  - 11.2 FIRMS
  - 11.3 CCAMLR
  - 11.4 ACAP
- 12. **Scientific Committee Work Plan**
  - 12.1 Work plan to realise the General Objectives relating to the 2020 EU Grant  
Report of the consultancy to coordinate, plan, and assist implementation of science consultancies to support the SIOFA scientific working plan (Project SCM2021-01)
  - 12.2 Review and update of the Scientific Committee workplan and budget 2021–2023
  - 12.3 Advice to the MoP
- 13. **Future meeting arrangements**
- 14. **Other business**
  - 14.1 Elections of SC Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Co-Chairs for the PAEWG
  - 14.2 Recommendation for SC Circulars
- 15. **Adoption of the meeting report**
- 16. **Close of meeting**

## Provisional Schedule for the Sixth Meeting of the Scientific Committee (SC6) 22–26 March 2021

Meeting and report adoption videoconferences (22-26 March) times from 6:00 to 9:00 am (UTC)

Chair: Mr Alistair Dunn

Session time (UTC)	Mon 22 March 2021	Tues 23 March 2021	Wed 24 March 2021	Thurs 25 March 2021	Fri 26 March 2021
5:30–6:00	Participants to join online and verify connections and communications with the SIOFA Secretariat				
6:00–6:30	1. Welcome and opening 2. Administrative arrangements	6. Report of the Protected Areas and Ecosystems Working Group (PAEWG3) 6.1 Vulnerable Marine Ecosystems	7. Report of the Stock and Ecological Risk Assessment Working Group (SERAWG3) 7.1 Alfonsino 7.2 Patagonian Toothfish 7.3 Orange Roughy	Summary of Scientific Advice from previous sessions	Resolution of any outstanding items  15. Report adoption
6:30–7:00	3.1 Annual national reports (via email and 2-minute presentations)	PAEWG Report (continued) 6.2 Bottom Fishing Impact Assessments (BFIA)	SERAWG Report (continued) 7.5 Harvest Strategy Standards	12. Scientific Committee Work Plan 12.1 Work plan to realise the objectives of the EU Grant	Report adoption (continued)
7:00–7:30	3.1 Annual national reports (Discussion) 3.2–3.1 Recommendations and advice to the MoP	PAEWG Report (continued) 6.5 SIOFA fishing footprint 6.6 Work plan and resource requirements	SERAWG Report (continued) 7.5 Harvest Strategy Standards (continued) 7.6 Ecological Risk Assessment 7.7 Stock assessment risk framework	Scientific Committee workplan (continued) 12.2 Review and update the scientific workplan and budget 12.3 Advice to the MoP	Report adoption (continued)
7:30–8:00	Break (available time may be varied or shortened as required to accommodate discussions)				
8:00–8:30	4. Current and historical status of fishing activities	PAEWG Report (continued) 6.7–6.8 Recommendations and advice to the MoP	SERAWG Report (continued) 7.8 Work plan and resource requirements	11. Cooperation with other RFMOs and international bodies	Report adoption (continued)
8:30–9:00	5. Scientific data standards	10. Review and development of Conservation and Management Measures (CMMS)	SERAWG Report (continued) 7.9–7.10 Recommendations and advice to the MoP	13. Future meeting arrangements 14. Other business 14.1 Elections 14.2 SC Circulars	Report adoption (continued) 16. Meeting close
9:00–9:30	Available as additional time only if required to complete discussions				

\* Times are approximate and may vary depending on discussions during the meeting

