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SIOFA SC Workshop to progress future protected area designation (WS2024-PAD)

Virtual, 13 and 20 November 2024

WS2024-PAD-ADM-04

Revised Provisional Agenda for the SIOFA SC Workshop to progress future protected area designation (WS2024-PAD)

Meeting time: 07.30 UTC to 11.30 UTC

Held by video conference using the ZOOM platform

Convener: Mr Trent Timmiss (AUS)

Session 1 - 13th November 2024 from 07.30 UTC to 11.30 UTC

1. **Opening**
   a. Welcome from Convenor
   b. Introduction of meeting participants
   c. Adoption of agenda
   d. Confirmation of meeting documents
   e. Workshop report arrangements
2. **Background**
   a. Basis for the current SIOFA interim protected areas
   b. SIOFA Bottom fishing footprint
   c. International Obligations and Initiatives of potential relevance
3. **SIOFA Protocol for future marine protected areas designation**
   a. Review Interim Protocol and criteria (SC3 report, Annex H)
   b. Application of Bioregionalisation (Paper SC-09-27)
   c. SIOFA PAE2022-MPA1 - Protocols to designate and evaluate MPAs, project report
   d. Other potential protected approaches in the SIOFA Area:
      I. Marine OECMs (Information Paper MoP-11-INFO-21),
      II. Ecological or Biologically Significant Areas (EBSAs),
      III. Important Marine Mammal Protected Areas (IMMAs)
   e. Advice to SC10 on the existing SIOFA MPA protocol

Session 2 - 20th November 2024 from 07.30 UTC to 11.30 UTC

4. **Evaluation of SIOFA Benthic Protected Areas (BPAs)**
   a. Interim SIOFA BPAs (CMM 01(2024) Annex 3)
   b. Current voluntary BPAs (Proposal MoP-11-29 rev2)
   c. Advice to the SC10 and MoP12 on their application as effective spatial management tools and for providing clarity for BPA adoption within the SIOFA benthic management framework (MoP11 Report, Para 161)
5. **Workplan to progress identification and designation of future MPAs**
   a. Draft workplan and indicative budget
6. **Summary of advice to SC10**