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MoP12- Provisional Agenda

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Abstract	
According to rule 10 of the SIOFA RoP, the Executive Secretary has prepared a draft provisional agenda in consultation with the MoP Chairperson and is circulated by the Secretariat. CCPs are invited to comment on it and include new items to it.	

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1. Opening of the meeting

- 1.1. Opening statements
- 1.2. Practical arrangements for the meeting
- 1.3. Admission of observers
- 1.4. Status of the Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement
- 1.5. Participation in decision-making

2. Administrative arrangements

- 2.1. Adoption of the agenda
- 2.2. Confirmation of meeting documents
- 2.3. Appointment of rapporteurs

3. Intersessional Decision-Making

- 3.1. Review of intersessional decisions taken since MoP11

4. Compliance Committee (CC) and report of the CC9

Discussion of the CC recommendations to the MoP

- 4.1. Presentation of the report of the 9th Meeting of the Compliance Committee

- 4.2. SIOFA Compliance Report (SCR)

The Meeting of the Parties shall consider the Provisional SIOFA Compliance Report (pSCR) prepared by the CC and any comments from CCPs on their respective sections of the pSCR. The Meeting of the Parties shall adopt by consensus a Final SIOFA Compliance Report (fSCR) at its ordinary meeting in accordance with Article 8 of the Agreement and Rule 12 of the Rules of Procedure (ref. CMM 11 para 22)

- 4.3. Report of Intersessional Vessel Monitoring System working group

- 4.4. Listing of IUU fishing vessels

The Meeting of the Parties shall review the Provisional IUU Vessel List, considering any new suitably documented information [...] and adopt a new IUU Vessel List (ref CMM 06(2024))

- 4.5. Recommendations from the Compliance Committee on current SIOFA CMMs

- 4.6. Operationalization of the SIOFA VMS

- 4.7. Recommendations for the development of the SIOFA Information System Security Policy (ISSP)

- 4.8. Other recommendations from the Compliance Committee

5. Scientific Committee (SC) and Report of the SC10

Discussion of the SC recommendations to the MoP

- 5.1. Presentation of the report of the 10th Annual Meeting of the SIOFA Scientific Committee (SC10)

5.1.1. Fisheries reports

5.1.2. Data Standards, Access and Dissemination

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- 5.1.3. SIOFA Bottom Fishing Impact Assessment
- 5.1.4. SIOFA Precautionary Approach and Management (PAM)
- 5.1.5. Stock assessments and advice
- 5.1.6. Bycatch and incidental captures
- 5.1.7. Vulnerable Marine Ecosystems (VME)
- 5.1.8. Marine protected areas
- 5.1.9. New and Exploratory Fisheries and Research cruises
- 5.1.10. Scientific Observers
- 5.1.11. Climate change
- 5.1.12. Future work
- 5.1.13. Other recommendations

6. News and Exploratory Fisheries

- 6.1 New Fisheries
- 6.2 Exploratory Fisheries

7. Data access and dissemination

- 7.1. Data and security audits implementation update
- 7.2. Discussion on public data definition and limitation, recommendation from SC10
- 7.3. *Review of the criteria and process by which papers are classified and implications for the RoP*
- 7.4. *Review of the data collected by the CCPs and data reported to the Secretariat*

8. Interim bottom fishing measures

- 8.1. States or fishing entities that became CCPs before the MOP in 2017 – revision to measures established under CMM 01(2024).
- 8.2. States or fishing entities that became CCPs after the MOP in 2017 – approval of measures pursuant to paragraph 28 of CMM 01(2024).

9. Review and amendment of Conservation Management Measures (CMMs) currently in force.

Standing agenda item for the presentation of reviews or proposed amendments to existing CMMs and possible adoption

10. New Conservation and Management Measures (CMMs)

Standing agenda item for the presentation of any proposals of new CMMs and possible adoption

11. Capacity building needs for developing states

- 11.1. Technical assistance needed for the implementations of obligations
- 11.2. Review of existing mechanisms to provide support to developing States and other relevant information relating to Article 13.
- 11.3. Review of the options to facilitate and address the capacity building need of CCP developing States.

12. Climate change

- 12.1. Identification of advice required from Scientific Committee on the implications of climate change

13. Secretariat administration

- 13.1. Report on the Secretariat activities (since MoP11)

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- 13.1.1. Actions done relative to SIOFA Performance Review recommendations.
- 13.2. Financial status
 - 13.2.1. Update on the 2020 fraud.
 - 13.2.2. Financial report.
 - 13.2.3. External Auditor report.
- 13.3. SIOFA Budget
 - 13.3.1. Mid-year budget tracking paper with the actual expenditure.
 - 13.3.2. Provisional 2026 budget and 2027 forecast budget.
 - 13.3.3. Adoption of the budget.
- 13.4. SIOFA Procurement Policy for High-Value Services / Goods

14. Cooperation with other RFMOs, international bodies and other relevant matters

- 14.1. Cooperation with CCAMLR, RFMOs and other international organisations
 - 14.1.1. CCAMLR
 - 14.1.2. SEAFO
 - 14.1.3. SWIOFC
 - 14.1.4. SPRFMO
 - 14.1.5. ACAP
- 14.2. Cooperation with FAO
 - 14.2.1. IOTC
 - 14.2.2. FAO ABNJ Deep Sea Fisheries Project
 - 14.2.3. FAO Regional Fishery Body Secretariats 'Network (RFBSN)
 - 14.2.4. FAO FIRMS

15. Cooperating non-Contracting Parties

- 15.1. Renewal of CNCP status
 - 15.1.1. Comoros
 - 15.1.2. India

16. Future Chairing arrangements

- 14.1 Chairperson of the SC

The contract in progress for the SC will end in 2025 after MoP12.
- 14.2 Chairperson of the Compliance Committee

The nomination in progress for the CC is going for 2 years and could be renewed for 2 years more in 2026 after MoP13.
- 14.3 Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the Meeting of the Parties

In accordance with Rule 5 of the RoP, the Chair of the Meeting of the Parties will be held by France-OT, and the Vice-Chair of the MoP will be held by EU for the 2025-2026 period.

15 Any other business

16 2026 meeting arrangements

17 Report adoption.

18 Meeting closure