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MoP9 Revised Provisional Agenda

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Abstract	
The Provisional agenda for the MoP9 has been circulated on May 10th. This document is the revised provisional agenda that has been prepared by the MoP Chairperson, the Secretariat and circulated. It includes the comment and additions provided by CCPs.	

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This meeting will be held at the hotel "Le Récif" in St Gilles, La Réunion. For registered participants who are unable to travel, it will be possible to attend the entire meeting by videoconference.

Virtual registration will stay open until the 1st July 01:00pm UTC, physical Registration will open on Monday 4th July 2022 at 07:00 local time, near the meeting room.

The meeting will start at 08:00 local time (04:00 UTC)

A Heads of Delegation meeting will take place on Tuesday 28 June from 17:00 to 18:00 local time.

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 MoP8
- 3.2. Standardised template for the reporting of intersessional decisions

4. Report of the Sixth Compliance Committee meeting

Discussion of the CC recommendations to the MoP

4.1. 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 2020/11 para 22)

4.2. 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 2018/06 para 16)

5. Scientific Committee (SC) and Report of the SC7

5.1 Presentation of the SC7 report

5.2 Recommendations from SC7

- 5.2.1 SIOFA bottom fishing footprint
- 5.2.2 Transparency and distribution of meeting documents
- 5.2.3 Harvest Strategies
- 5.2.4 Management of Demersal Stocks

5.3 Grants applications and other funding for SIOFA scientific work

5.4 Scientific Committee work plan and budget

6. Data and Security

6.1. Annual data submission report

According to CMM 2021/02 para 6,7 and 15, CCPs shall submit catch and effort and observer data to the Secretariat by 31 May each year. This item is an overview of the quality of the submission of data that has been provided in 2021.

6.2. Examination of audit report on “SIOFA Access, dissemination and presentation of data”

6.3. Examination of audit report on “SIOFA Cybersecurity”

6.4. Data and security related draft work plan

7. Interim bottom fishing measures

7.1. States or fishing entities that became CCPs before the MOP in 2017 – revision to measures established under paragraph 10 of CMM 2020/01

7.2. States or fishing entities that became CCPs after the MOP in 2017 – approval of measures pursuant to paragraph 28 of CMM 2020/01.

8. 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

8.1. Amendment to CMM 2019/10 (Monitoring) proposed by Chinese Taipei

8.2. Amendment to CMM 2021/02 (Data Standards) paragraph 5

8.3. Amendment to CMM 2019/07 (Vessel Authorisation) proposed by Korea

8.4. Other amendments and recommendations to CMM following CC6 discussion

9. New Conservation and Management Measures (CMMs)

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

10. Performance review of SIOFA

As 2022 will mark the 10th anniversary of the entry into force of the SIOFA Agreement and therefore ten years of operation of SIOFA, it is appropriate to assess the performance of the organisation to ensure that it achieves the objectives set out in Article 2 of the Agreement. The Meeting of the Parties discuss and approve terms of reference for the first Performance Review of SIOFA, to be conducted in the 2022-2023 intersessional period.

11. Secretariat administration

11.1. Report on the Secretariat activities (since MoP8)

11.1.1. New premises for the Secretariat

11.2. Long-term plan scenarios for the structured development of the Secretariat's capabilities and budget

11.3. Financial status

11.3.1. Update on the 2020 fraud

11.3.2. Financial report

11.3.3. External Auditor report

11.4. SIOFA Budget

11.4.1. Mid-year budget tracking paper with the actual expenditure

11.4.2. Provisional 2023 budget

11.4.3. 2024 forecast budget

11.4.4. Adoption of the budget

11.5. Procedure for the appointment of SIOFA Executive Secretary

Rule 7 of the SIOFA Rules of Procedure provide for the appointment of an Executive Secretary by the Meeting of the Parties on such terms as the Meeting of the Parties may determine in accordance with the Agreement, with due regard to principles of economy and efficiency. The Executive Secretary shall hold office for a period of four years from the date of appointment and shall be eligible for re-appointment by the Meeting of the Parties for one additional term. The term of office of the current Executive Secretary expires in December 2023 and SIOFA does not have a procedure in place to ensure the renewal of the incumbent or to appoint a different person. In order to avoid any interruption, we propose that the Meeting of the Parties discuss and adopt a procedure for the appointment of the Executive Secretary.

11.6. Discussion on SIOFA Staff Regulation

The Staff Regulation may require update following the discussions on the appointment of the Executive Secretary (regulation 6), on the temporary staff recruitment (regulation 11) and a review of public holidays in Reunion (Annex A)

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

12.1. Southwest Indian Ocean Fisheries Commission (SWIOFC)

12.2. CCAMLR

Joint workshop on exchange of toothfish data between CCAMLR and SIOFA

12.3. IOTC

Examination and approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between SIOFA and IOTC (initially Letter of Intent reviewed at MoP8)

12.4. FAO ABNJ Deep-Sea Fisheries Project

12.5. FAO Regional Fishery Body Secretariats' Network (RFBSN)

12.6. FIRMS

13. Cooperating non-Contracting Parties

13.1. Renewal of Comoros' CNCP status

13.2. Application of India for CNCP status to SIOFA

14. Application of Art.13.4(e) of the Agreement

The chair of the MoP highlighted the need to guide the application of financial support to developing states bordering the Area for attending SIOFA meetings

15. Future Chairing arrangements

15.1. Chairperson Scientific Committee and co-Chairpersons of its working groups

The SC recommended that the MoP extend the term of the current SC Chairperson for one year. No nomination has been received at SC7 for the SERAWG Chairperson.

15.2. Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the Compliance Committee

The current CC Chairperson's second term will end at the close of the CC of 2023 and cannot be renewed (Rule 5.3 of the RoP). There is currently no CC Vice-Chairperson. CCPs are invited to nominate candidates for the position of Vice-Chairperson.

15.3. 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 the Republic of Mauritius, and the Vice-Chair of the MoP will be held by the Republic of Korea for the 2022-2023 period.

16. Any other business

17. 2023 meeting arrangements

The 2023 SC will take place in Spain (Tenerife, Canary Islands). In line with RoP 1.2 the next meeting of the CC and the MoP and MoP will be held in Mauritius.

18. Report adoption

19. Meeting closure

MoP9 Meeting Tentative Schedule

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10:00-10:30	Morning break		Morning break		Morning break
10:30-12:00	4.1. SIOFA Compliance Report (SCR)	5.3 Grants applications and other funding for SIOFA scientific work 5.4 Scientific Committee work plan and budget 6. Data and Security 6.1. Annual data submission report 6.2. Audit "SIOFA Access, dissemination and presentation of data"	10. Performance review of SIOFA 11. Secretariat administration 11.1. Report on the Secretariat activities 11.2. Long-term plan scenarios for the structured development of the Secretariat's capabilities and budget	12. Cooperation with other RFMOs, international bodies and other relevant matters 12.1. SWIOFC 12.2. CCAMLR 12.3. IOTC 12.4. FAO ABNJ Deep-Sea Fisheries Project 12.5. FAO Regional Fishery Body Secretariats' Network (RFBSN) 12.6. FIRMS	18. Report adoption <i>(continued)</i>
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15:00-15:30	Afternoon break		Afternoon break		Afternoon break
15:30-16:30	4.2. Listing of IUU fishing vessels	7. Interim bottom fishing measures 7.1. States or fishing entities that became CCPs before the MOP in 2017 – revision to measures 7.2. States or fishing entities that became CCPs after the MOP in 2017 – approval of measures.	11.4. SIOFA Budget <i>(continued)</i>	16. Any other business 17. 2023 meeting arrangements	