

Provisional Agenda
Extended Scientific Committee for the Twenty Fourth Meeting of the Scientific Committee

Cape Town, South Africa
2 - 7 September 2019

1. Opening

- 1.1. Introduction of Participants
- 1.2. Administrative Arrangements

2. Appointment of Rapporteurs

3. Adoption of Agenda and Document List

4. Review of SBT Fisheries

4.1. Presentation of National Reports

Paragraph 19 of the October 2017 Compliance Committee meeting, states that “It was agreed that transparency of how Members estimate attributable catch was important and would be part of future Extended Scientific Committee (ESC) reporting”. Members should provide this information in their national reports or in a separate meeting paper for the ESC.

4.2. Secretariat Review of Catches

5. Report from the CCSBT Maturity Workshop

6. Report from the Ecologically Related Species Working Group (ERSWG) meeting

7. Report from the Tenth Operating Model and Management Procedure (OMMP) Technical Meeting

8. Develop methodology for analysis of farming and market data

*The 2018 Extended Commission (EC) meeting developed a [Terms of Reference for discussion on Australian Farm Analysis and Japanese Market Analysis at the 2019 ESC meeting](#). The ESC Meeting is expected to review the history of discussion on these two issues and develop methodologies for estimating possible unaccounted mortality. **In order to facilitate discussion at the 2019 ESC Meeting, the EC encouraged Members to submit papers on the development of methodologies for estimating possible unaccounted mortality.** In addition, two independent experts (one for farms and one for markets) have been appointed to assist the ESC in its task of developing methodologies. The independent experts will review historical reports and information to give them a background in the issues, and they will provide independent advice on technical matters and contribute ideas on a way forward. Additional advice is expected from the independent experts in specific aspects of farm and market analyses as specified in sections 3(2) and 3(3) of the [Terms of Reference](#).*

It is envisaged that there will be about one hour of plenary discussion each day for considering the farm and market issues. This will be supplemented by discussions between Members and the experts in the margins, with the experts preparing options for the meeting to consider in subsequent plenary discussions.

9. Review of results of the Scientific Research Plan and other inter-sessional scientific activities

- 9.1. Results of scientific activities
- 9.2. Updated analysis of SBT catch by non-Members

10. Evaluation of Fisheries Indicators

11. SBT stock status

- 11.1. Evaluation of meta-rules and exceptional circumstances
- 11.2. Summary of the SBT stock status

12. SBT Management Advice

13. Development of new MP

This is one of the most important agenda items for this meeting. It is envisaged that discussion on this agenda item could occur earlier in the meeting than its position in the agenda indicates. This will be partially dependent on whether any difficulties occur in updating the Operating Model prior to the June OMMP meeting and the progress made at the OMMP meeting on reviewing the results from testing of Candidate Management Procedures.

13.1. Review Candidate Management Procedures (CMPs)

The June 2019 OMMP meeting will recondition the operating model and review initial updated versions of CMPs to develop a limited set to put forward to the ESC. Members will update their CMPs as appropriate after the OMMP meeting and present these in papers for the ESC. In addition, the 2018 ESC meeting agreed that between the 2019 OMMP and ESC meetings, CMP developers should upload their results to GitHub and use the Shiny App so that they can see the results of other CMP developers without needing to wait for ESC papers to be developed. This will enable developers to learn from each other in a timely manner and enable CMPs to be adjusted in advance of the ESC. The ESC will review the CMPs that are put forward to the ESC.

13.2. Provide advice to the Extended Commission (EC) on a set of CMPs

The EC will be aiming to select and adopt a Management Procedure at its October 2019 meeting. The 2018 ESC meeting noted that it is important for Member scientists to consult with their Commissioners prior to the 2019 ESC meeting so that the ESC can be fully informed of the requirements of Commissioners. The ESC will aim to provide advice to the EC on a very limited set of CMPs to assist the EC with its Management Procedure selection process.

14. Update of the Scientific Research Plan

The 2018 ESC meeting held preliminary discussions on updating the Scientific Research Plan (see paragraphs 170-176 of the [SC23 Report](#)). The ESC expected that substantive discussion of the Scientific Research Plan (SRP) would occur in either 2019 or 2020. The SRP is an important plan and for suitable discussion to occur, substantive papers on updating the SRP will need to be prepared by Members. If such papers are not prepared, or the meeting is running short of time, this agenda item maybe deferred until 2020 to ensure that adequate attention is given to this matter.

15. Requirements for Data Exchange in 2020

16. Research Mortality Allowance

17. Workplan, Timetable and Research Budget for 2020 (and beyond)

17.1. Overview, time schedule and budgetary implications of proposed 2020 research activities and implications of Scientific Research Plan for the work plan and budget

17.2. Timing, length and structure of next meeting

18. Other Matters

19. Adoption of Meeting Report

20. Close of Meeting