

**REPORT FROM THE CCSBT OBSERVER TO
SIXTEENTH SESSION OF
INDIAN OCEAN TUNA COMMISSION (IOTC)
(22 Australia – 26 April 2012, Fremantle, Australia)
CCSBT Observer (Japan)**

The Sixteenth Session of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) was held in Fremantle, Australia, from 22 to 26 April 2012. Delegates from 26 Members of the Commission, 1 cooperating non-Contracting Parties, 18 Observers (including invited experts) attended the Session.

The Commission adopted the following 15 Conservation and Management Measures in 2012, consisting of 13 Resolutions and 2 Recommendations. No matter related to cooperation between IOTC and CCSBT was discussed in the meeting. The next session of IOTC will be held in the first quarter of 2013 in Mozambique.

- Resolution 12/01 *On The Implementation Of The Precautionary Approach.*
- Resolution 12/02 *Data Confidentiality Policy And Procedures.*
- Resolution 12/03 *On Catch And Effort Recordings By Fishing Vessels In The IOTC Area Of Competence.*
- Resolution 12/04 *On The Conservation Of Marine Turtles.*
- Resolution 12/05 *On Establishing A Programme For Transshipment By Large-Scale Fishing Vessels.*
- Resolution 12/06 *On Reducing The Incidental Bycatch Of Seabirds In Longline Fisheries.*
- Resolution 12/07 *Concerning A Record Of Licensed Foreign Vessels Fishing For IOTC Species In The IOTC Area Of Competence And Access Agreement Information.*
- Resolution 12/08 *On A Fish Aggregating Devices (Fads) Management Plan.*
- Resolution 12/09 *On The Conservation Of Thresher Sharks (Family Alopiidae) Caught In Association With Fisheries In The IOTC Area Of Competence.*
- Resolution 12/10 *To Promote Implementation Of Conservation And Management Measures Already Adopted By IOTC.*
- Resolution 12/11 *On The Implementation Of A Limitation Of Fishing Capacity Of Contracting Parties And Cooperating Non-Contracting Parties.*
- Resolution 12/12 *To Prohibit The Use Of Large-Scale Driftnets On The High Seas In The IOTC Area.*
- Resolution 12/13 *For The Conservation And Management Of Tropical Tunas Stocks In The IOTC Area Of Competence.*
- Recommendation 12/14 *On Interim Target And Limit Reference Points For The Major IOTC Species.*
- Recommendation 12/15 *On Best Available Science.*