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SUBJECT: INTERSESSIONAL WORKPLAN FOR PANEL 1

Further to ICCAT Circular 1931/21, please find attached the workplan for the first intersessional period of Panel 1 (July meeting), together with a letter from the Chair of Panel 1. The Panel 1 Chair is currently working on the schedule for the second period (September meeting) which will be circulated to Panel 1 members in due course.

The Agendas and other meeting documents will be published in the [OwnCloud document folder](#) as they become available.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Executive Secretary

Camille Jean Pierre Manel

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Attachments: Letter from Chair of Panel 1 and Provisional Panel 1 Work Plan for 2021 (Part 1).



8 April 2021

Dear Colleagues,

Please find attached a draft work schedule for the July meeting. In order to make progress I should like to remind all Panel 1 members of the importance of respecting the deadlines in the plan, which in all cases refer to 18:00 hours Madrid time. I want very much for the voice of all members to be heard and everyone be given the same opportunities to put forward their proposals.

To this end, while I am not imposing at this time a length restriction for draft proposals or working papers, (other than Statements in accordance with the general policy) I would ask all CPCs to be as succinct as possible, both to avoid delays in translation (bearing in mind that several similar parallel processes are taking place and the resources of the Secretariat are limited) and also to ensure that the most important points being raised can be easily grasped by all CPCs.

Any CPC may put forward proposals for consideration, but I would urge bi-lateral and multi-lateral contacts in advance to reduce the number of initial proposals to be considered, the better to make progress on those remaining. When commenting on any proposal which has been put forward, please offer alternative wording to the sections you would like to see changed.

Please note that while I have given a deadline of **23 April 2021** for the translation and publication of fishing and FAD plans, some of these are already available on the meeting documents website.

A detailed work plan for the period July – September will follow, but I would reiterate the usefulness of maintaining contacts among yourselves to advance as much as possible in the meantime.

I very much hope that we can work together in a spirit of cooperation to develop and agree on sound management measures for these important stocks this year.

Looking forward to seeing you, albeit online, in July.

SHEP Helguilè
Chair of Panel 1