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ICCAT CIRCULAR # 2167 / 2022

SUBJECT: SECOND INTERSESSIONAL MEETING OF PANEL 2 ON BLUEFIN TUNA MANAGEMENT STRATEGY EVALUATION (BFT MSE) (Online, 9-10 May 2022)

Further to Circular #9260/2021 of 20 December 2021, a second intersessional meeting of Panel 2 on BFT MSE has been convened for 9-10 May 2022. This meeting will be held online using the Zoom platform between 11:00 and 17:00 Madrid time, with a break of one hour at around 13:30.

In order to organize the online meeting, Head Delegates are requested to inform the Secretariat of the composition of their delegation by **3 May 2022** at the latest. Any late submission of the official delegation may cause delay on providing access for participants to the meeting. Participants must also register for the meeting by **3 May 2022** using the online registration form which will shortly be available on [ICCAT current meetings webpage](#).

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

Following ICCAT Circulars # 0377/22 and 0888/22, no volunteer to rapporteur this meeting has yet been communicated to the Secretariat. I take this opportunity to urge all CPCs to consider participating in this important work.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Executive Secretary



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Attachment: Meeting objectives and Tentative Agenda.



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Objectives

The objectives of this meeting are for the SCRS to present Panel 2 with material related to several key decision points on operational management objectives, the process for development and performance tuning and the process for an initial narrowing or culling of CMPs based on performance criteria. SCRS will seek further guidance from PA2 on desired tradeoffs and additional changes to CMPs.

Agenda

1. Opening of the meeting and meeting arrangements
2. Nomination of Rapporteur
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Update on BFT MSE framework and Candidate Management Procedures (CMPs) by SCRS
 - a) *SCRS responses to feedback provided at the March PA2 meeting (+20%/-30%; +20%/-20%; +20%/-10% and no limit TAC change explorations, index evaluation table)*
 - b) *Additional requested statistics (F, probability of being above dynamic SSB_{MSY} for each projection year and after 30 years and statistics requested simply for reporting)*
 - c) *SCRS to provide a proposal for a Blim value solely within the MSE framework for the purposes of CMP selection, PA2 to discuss and eventually select an associated probability (see section 6 under key decisions)*
5. CMP performance, refinement and selection
 - a) *Process of development tuning and performance tuning described further*
 - b) *PA2 will see complete set of existing CMPs which will illustrate performance tradeoffs and facilitate decisions in section 7*
 - c) *PA2 will see BFT Species Group recommendations for the process to select a limited set of top performing CMPs*
6. Key Decisions
 - a) *Final operational management objectives and performance statistics*
 - b) *PA2 approval of process for development tuning and performance tuning*
 - c) *Approval of process for narrowing (culling) of CMPs to retain a reduced subset for further consideration*



7. Feedback and guidance on trade-offs and additional changes to CMPs by PA2 to SCRS
 - a) *PA2 provides further feedback on trade-off preferences*
 - b) *Possible 'phase-in' period for management procedures*
8. Other matters
9. Adoption of Report and closure