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COMMISSION INTERNATIONALE POUR LA CONSERVATION DES THONIDES DE L'ATLANTIOUE

COMISION INTERNACIONAL PARA LA CONSERVACION DEL ATUN ATLANTICO

Madrid, 3 September 2025

ICCAT CIRCULAR # 08565 / 2025

SUBJECT: INTERSESSIONAL MEETING OF PANEL 1 ON TROPICAL TUNAS MSE (online, 8 October 2025)

I should like to inform you that an **Intersessional Meeting of Panel 1 on Tropical Tunas MSE** has been scheduled for **8 October 2025**. The main focus of the meeting will be the **western Atlantic skipjack MSE**, but an update on tropical tunas multi-stock MSE process will also be provided. The meeting will have an **online format**, and the meeting times will be 12:00 to 16:30 (Madrid time). If work cannot be completed an additional 30 minutes may be envisaged. There will be a 30-minute break at 14:00.

The Tentative Agenda can be found here attached and will be posted together with any other documents in the meeting nextCloud folder. Please note that our mailing distribution list is limited. Therefore, I should like to ask that you circulate this announcement among potential delegates. This announcement will also be included on our current meetings webpage. CPCs wishing to submit any documents for discussion at the meeting, or any additional reports/background information which may be of interest to the Group, are requested to submit these before **20 September 2025**, in order to ensure that they can be translated and published in time for the start of the meeting.

In order to organise the meeting and issue the online participant links, you are kindly requested to send to the Secretariat a list of delegates who will participate in the meeting by **1 October 2025**. Any late submission of the official delegation may cause a delay in providing access to participants to the meeting. All participants must also register for the meeting by this date (**1 October 2025**), using the online registration form which will soon be available on our meetings webpage.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Executive Secretary

Camille Jean Pierre Manel

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Attachment: Tentative agenda.

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Intersessional Meeting of Panel 1 on Tropical Tunas MSE

(online, 8 October 2025)

The Recommendation by ICCAT on a Candidate Management Procedure for western Atlantic skipjack tuna (Rec. 24-04) calls for the SCRS to advance work in support of the Commission's plan for adoption of a management procedure for western Atlantic skipjack in 2025. In this meeting, the SCRS will present Panel 1 with updates on the progress of this work. This will include the candidate management procedures (CMPs) that were tested and their performance. The Resolution by ICCAT on interim operational management objectives for Atlantic bigeye tuna, yellowfin tuna, and the eastern stock of skipjack tuna (Res. 24-02) provided interim management objectives to guide the SCRS in advancing its work on the tropical tunas multi-stock MSE, covering the Atlantic yellowfin tuna, Atlantic bigeye tuna, and eastern Atlantic skipjack stocks. In this meeting, the SCRS will also report on the progress on the tropical tunas multi-stock MSE during 2025. The workplan for the latter MSE process will also be presented, along with discussion of any additional guidance the SCRS is seeking from Panel 1.

Tentative Agenda

- 1. Opening of the meeting and meeting arrangements
- 2. Appointment of Rapporteur
- 3. Adoption of agenda
- 4. Western skipjack MSE
 - 4.1 Review of the progress made by the SCRS in 2025
 - 4.2 CMPs and their performance results
- 5. Tropical tunas multi-stock MSE
 - 5.1 Review of the progress made by the SCRS in 2025
 - 5.2 Multi-stock MSE workplan and discussion on where the SCRS is seeking additional guidance from Panel 1
- 6. Other matters
- 7. Adoption of report and closure