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SUBJECT: FIRST INTERSESSIONAL MEETING OF PANEL 1 ON TROPICAL TUNAS MSE
(online, 30 March 2026)

I should like to inform you that the First Intersessional Meeting of Panel 1 on Tropical Tunas MSE has been scheduled for **30 March 2026**. The meeting will have an online format, and the meeting times will be 11:00 to 16:30 (Madrid time). There will be two 30-minute breaks, one at 12:30 and the other at 14:30.

The Tentative Agenda attached herein 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 to 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 Panel, are requested to submit these before **15 March 2026**, in order to ensure that they can be translated and published in advance of 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 ICCAT Secretariat a list of delegates who will participate in the meeting by **20 March 2026**. Any late submission of the official delegation may cause a delay in providing participants with access to the meeting. All participants must also register for the meeting by this date (**20 March 2026**), 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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The *Recommendation by ICCAT replacing Recommendation 24-04 on a Candidate Management Procedure for western Atlantic skipjack tuna (Rec. 25-02)* calls for the SCRS to provide scientific guidance to the Commission for the development of the exceptional circumstances protocol for the adopted SKJ-W MP, for review and adoption by the Commission at its 2026 Annual Meeting. In this meeting of Panel 1, the SCRS will present its workplan and any updates on the progress of this work. 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 the eastern Atlantic skipjack stock. In this meeting, the SCRS will report on the progress on the Multi-Stock MSE and the workplan. In particular, the SCRS is seeking feedback from Panel 1 on the suitability of the current approach in addressing Commission conceptual objectives, and on whether or not Panel 1 wishes to modify or add to the interim operational management objectives included in [Res. 24-02](#).

Tentative agenda

1. Opening of the meeting and meeting arrangement
2. Appointment of the Rapporteur
3. Adoption of agenda
4. Review of the SKJ-W workplan and progress on the development of the scientific components of an exceptional circumstances protocol
5. Review of the progress on the Tropical Tunas Multi-Stock MSE
6. Multi-Stock MSE workplan, and discussion on where the SCRS is seeking feedback and additional guidance from Panel 1 on:
 - 6.1 Suitability of the general approach toward providing advice from the MSE
 - 6.2 Any modifications or additions to the management objectives covered in [Res. 24-02](#)
7. Other matters
8. Adoption of the report and closure