



Madrid, 8 May 2023

ICCAT CIRCULAR # 3915 / 2023

SUBJECT: MEETING OF THE PORT INSPECTION EXPERT GROUP FOR CAPACITY BUILDING AND ASSISTANCE (Online, 30 May 2023)

Further to Circular 9979/22 of 29 November 2022, the Meeting of the Port Inspection Expert Group for Capacity Building and Assistance has been convened for **30 May 2023**. This meeting will be held online using the Zoom platform between 11:00 to 16:00 Madrid time, with a break of one hour at around 13:00.

The current membership of the Expert Group is attached. In order to organize the online meeting, Head Delegates are requested to inform the Secretariat of any change in the member of the Expert Group from their CPC by **19 May 2023** at the latest. Please note that in accordance with the *Recommendation by ICCAT to clarify and supplement the process for seeking capacity building assistance pursuant to ICCAT Recommendation 14-08 (Rec. 16-18)*, paragraph 8 "The Expert Group will consist of **no more than one participant from each CPC**, participating as experts in port inspection and/or developing CPC needs, and not representing the interests of their respective CPCs." Nominated participants must also register for the meeting by **23 May 2023** using the online registration form which will be available shortly on the ICCAT [current meetings webpage](#).

An initial study of possible needs was carried out in 2018, where several CPCs submitted the [Pre-assessment form](#) and in some cases also the [Self-Assessment form](#). Any CPC wishing to request assistance for the first time, or update any previous requests for assistance are invited to submit their new or revised assessment forms to the Secretariat by **15 May 2023**.

The Tentative Agenda is attached and will be uploaded to the Nextcloud document folder, details of access to this folder will be sent to Expert Group members. CPCs wishing to submit a document for consideration by or information of the Expert Group other than the aforementioned assessment forms are requested to do so as early as possible, **preferably before 15 May 2023**.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Executive Secretary



Camille Jean Pierre Manel

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– **Members of the Port Inspection Expert Group for Capacity Building and Assistance.**

Attachments: Tentative agenda and the list of current members.



Tentative Agenda

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Adoption of the agenda and meeting arrangements
3. Review of progress since previous meeting, including results of the Cote d'Ivoire needs assessment
4. Consideration of opportunities and partners to deliver training utilizing the new manual
5. Determination of next steps in the assessment of needs and review of training requests
6. Other matters
7. Adoption of report and adjournment



Current list of members of the Port Inspection Expert Group for Capacity Building and Assistance

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* Member appointed by the CPC, but did not participate in the 2022 meeting.