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**GENERAL FISHERIES COMMISSION FOR
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**COMMISSION GÉNÉRALE DES PÊCHES
POUR LA MÉDITERRANÉE**



SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC)

Fourteenth Session

Sofia, Bulgaria, 20-24 February 2012

PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND TIMETABLE

MONDAY 20 FEBRUARY

Morning: 10.00 - 13.00 hours

1. Opening and arrangements for the Session

2. Adoption of the agenda

3. Intersessional activities

- Review of the recommendations of the Thirty-fifth Session of GFCM concerning the management of fisheries
- Report by the Chairperson: overview of SAC achievements, including:
 - Second Transversal Workshop on Red Coral
 - Expert meeting on Fisheries legislation within the framework of the LaMed Project
 - Working Group on stock assessment of Demersal Species
 - Working Group on stock assessment of Small Pelagic Species
 - Transversal Workshop (SCSA/SCMEE/SCSS) on Spatial Based Fishery Management
 - Workshop on Vessel Monitoring System
 - Second meeting of the Working Group on by-catch
 - Stock assessment of selected species of elasmobranchs
 - First meeting of the *ad-hoc* Working Group on the Black Sea

- Sub-Committees meetings, including workshops Workshop (SCMEE) on Artificial Reefs and Workshop on the processing and analysis of Task 1.3 data
- Salient research activities by Member Countries

Afternoon: 14.30 -17.30 hours

4. Major activities of the Regional projects and initiatives

5. Formulation of advice in the field of fishery management and research

- Conclusions and recommendations of the Sub-Committee on Marine Environment and Ecosystems (SCMEE)

TUESDAY 21 FEBRUARY

Morning: 9.00 - 12.00 hours

6. Formulation of advice in the field of fishery management and research (Cont'd)

- Conclusions and recommendations of the Sub-Committee on Stock Assessment (SCSA)

Afternoon: 14.00 - 17.00hrs

5. Formulation of advice in the field of fishery management and research (Cont'd)

- Conclusions and recommendations of the SCSA (Cont'd)
- Conclusions and recommendations of the Sub-Committee on Economic and Social Sciences (SCESS)

WEDNESDAY 22 FEBRUARY

Morning: 9.00 - 12.00 hours

5. Formulation of advice in the field of fishery management and research (Cont'd)

- Conclusions and recommendations of the Sub-Committee on Statistics and Information (SCSI)

Afternoon: 14.00 - 17.00 hours

6. Issues related to management advices from ICCAT/SCRS
7. Review of the relevant SAC actions with regards to the Task Force on the improvement and modernization of GFCM, including the Framework Programme initiative
8. Review of the activities on the Black Sea including the outcome from the first meeting of the Working Group on Black Sea

THURSDAY 23 FEBRUARY

Morning: 9.00 - 12.00 hours

9. Review of SAC preliminary Workplan for 2012-2013
10. Election of SAC Bureau and confirmation of the nominations of Sub-Committees Coordinators
11. Any other matters
12. Date and place of the next session

Afternoon free

(Preparation of the report)

FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY

Morning: 10.00 - 13.00 hours

13. Adoption of the report