



**GENERAL FISHERIES COMMISSION FOR  
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**Scientific Advisory Committee  
Sub-Committee on Statistics and Information (SCSI)**

**Workshop on data collection methods**

**(applied to all segments of the Fleet and their coherence with the  
requirements of GFCM Task 1)**

**FAO HQs, Rome (Italy), 29 September – 1 October 2010**

**Draft annotated Agenda**

Wednesday 29 September  
09:00 – 12:30 am

1. **Opening and arrangement of the meeting**
2. **Adoption of the agenda**
3. **Appointment of rapporteur(s)**
4. **Recalling basic concepts and tools developed specifically for the GFCM Task 1 database.**
  - *The GFCM Secretariat will present an overview of the status of the data submission to date, in line with Recommendation GFCM/33/2009/3, together with the progress on the development of the Task 1 regional database and related electronic tools developed by the Secretariat.*
5. **National fisheries statistical system(s) in the Mediterranean and Black Sea and practical difficulties encountered by the expert in charge of data collection.**
  - *The national experts at the workshop will be invited to deliver a presentation on their national fisheries statistical system(s) focusing on the information needed for Task 1 requirements. A synthetic description should be given, with a clear explanation on the scope of the existing system(s). Presentations should clearly underline the exact problems or constraints (if any) in the collection and transmission of required data. The presentation should not exceed 15 minutes. The FAO regional projects including MedFisis will be invited to contribute significantly to this agenda item.*

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*Afternoon, 14:30-17:30 pm*

5. **National fisheries statistical system(s) in the Mediterranean and Black Sea and practical difficulties encountered by the expert in charge of data collection (Con't).**
6. **Classification of the problems arising from the data submission requirements.**
  - *This agenda item will be devoted to compiling all the problems encountered by type for the organisation of further discussions. A distinction between field data collection problems, data processing difficulties and information technology constraints should be made.*

Thursday 30 September

*9:00-12:30 am*

7. **Discussion on the problems encountered, exchange of experiences, and proposals of solutions, guidelines and code of good practices.**
  - *At this stage, the workshop will go in depth into analyses and proposals, whilst keeping in mind the requirements laid down in the GFCM Recommendation and the related established data submission standards and protocols.*

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- 7- **Discussion on the problems encountered, exchange of experiences, and proposals of solutions, guidelines and code of good practices (Con't).**
8. **Anticipation of the problems related to the submission of Task 1.3 and 1.5 by January 2011, and the full Task 1 by May each subsequent year, following GFCM Recommendation GFCM/33/2009/3<sup>1</sup>.**
  - *Any additional foreseen constraints relating to the above will be addressed.*

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<sup>1</sup> *Excerpt of the Recommendation:* "Members and Cooperating non-members shall submit Task 1.3. and Task 1.5, by January 2011 at the latest, in coherence with the SAC assessment forms, and subsequently update the relevant data by transmissions to the GFCM Secretariat not later than May each calendar year, and in accordance with appropriate data submission standards and protocols to be set by the Secretariat".

Friday 1 October  
*9:00 – 11:00 am*

**9. Conclusions and Recommendations**

- *The meeting will identify and agree on conclusions and recommendations of the workshop.*

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*Afternoon 14:30-17:30 am*

**10. Adoption of the report and closure of the meeting**

- *The draft report including the agreed conclusions and recommendations will be adopted.*