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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**

**Date and Place**

- 29 September (9 o'clock) -1 October 2010
- FAO, HQ Rome  
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**Main objectives**

The year 2010 is the first year of data submission on GFCM Task 1 (Task 1.1, 1.2 and 1.4) by all Member Countries, following Recommendation GFCM/33/2009/3.

The SCSI meeting in 2009 included a practical session on the use of the data entry tool and anticipated that some Member Countries could face difficulties in submitting their data on time. By the end of June 2010, four months after the deadline, only ten countries delivered their data to the GFCM Secretariat. In consequence, SCSI proposed a workshop to analyse,

country by country, the data collection methods, and evaluate their coherence with the requirements of the GFCM Task 1. When data on GFCM Task 1 could not be delivered on time, the workshop will try to analyse the problems encountered and propose some solutions based on other countries experiences and sub-regional projects expertise. The SAC (January 2010) agreed with the SCSI proposal.

The recent Commission meeting (34<sup>th</sup> Session, April 2010) endorsed the proposal to convene an ad hoc meeting on this subject following the terms of reference proposed by the SAC :

- a) review the different methods and data collection programmes in place within GFCM Member Countries;
- b) review the problems arising from the submission of Task 1 data;
- c) for each of the problems raised in the point above, exchange experiences from other countries in the same field;
- d) agree on methods to address the problems raised;
- e) anticipate problems related to the submission of Task 1.3

### **Languages**

English, French, Spanish and Arabic may be used for preparation of workshop papers or for data submission. However, no interpretation services will be available. It is expected that English will be the main language for discussions.

### **Registration**

Please register your intention to participate by sending a fax to +39 0657056500 or by e-mail to: [GFCM-Secretariat@fao.org](mailto:GFCM-Secretariat@fao.org).

### **Hotel reservation**

Information on hotels is provided to the participants in a table attached to this message.

Participants must make their own travel accommodations arrangements.