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**Scientific Advisory Committee
Sub-Committee on Marine Environment and Ecosystems (SCMEE)
Sub-Committee on Stock Assessment (SCSA)
Sub-Committee on Economic and Social Sciences (CESS)**

Second transversal workshop on red coral
Ajaccio, Corsica (France), 5-7 October 2011

Draft annotated Agenda

Wednesday, 5 October 2011
Morning Session, 9:00-13:00

1. Opening, arrangement of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

1.1. Introductory speeches

- *La pêche au corail rouge en Corse* (R. Miniconi. Conseil scientifique régional du patrimoine naturel)
- *La pêche au corail rouge en région Provence* (to be confirmed)

2. Scientific progress on the medium term working plan on the status of red coral banks in the Mediterranean: fisheries, biology, ecology and genetics

2.1. Presentations

- *Molecular ecology of the red coral *Corallium rubrum*: state of the art and new tools for pending questions* (Aurette D.)
- *Genetic structuring of shallow vs. deep red coral populations: what can this tell us about the conservation strategies* (Abbiati M.)

2.2. General discussion

Lunch time (13.00-14.30)

Afternoon session, 14.30-18.00

3. Status of data available including with regard the use of ROV

(Representatives from responsible institutions are expected to introduce their data collection and management schemes at national level)

Presentations

- *The Italian research project on the deep-dwelling red coral populations: the first survey along the Tyrrhenian (NW Mediterranean) coasts (Santangelo et al.)*
- *Red coral (Corallium rubrum) in Sardinian sea: main regulations, status and biological features (Follesa et al.)*

3.1. General discussion

Thursday, 6 October 2011

Morning Session, 9:00-13:00

4. Strategy to set up a system for data collection and reporting to the GFCM

4.1. Presentation

- *GFCM Proposal for a regional database on red coral. Data requirements and data entry tool.*

4.2. General discussion

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5. Strategies for planning local and regional management and conservation plans.

5.1. Presentations

- *Monitoring and Spatial Analysis of Red Coral Fishing Activity: a new approach for prediction of vulnerable operating areas (Abdellaoui et al.)*
- *Beyond human capacities: An advanced two units ROV for pilot studies for red coral (Corallium rubrum) fishing (Nutarelli et al.)*

5.2. General discussion

6. Management advice including on minimum size

Friday, 7 October 2011

Morning Session, 9:00-13:00

7. General conclusions /Recommendations

8. Any other matters

9. Adoption of the Report and closure of the meeting