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SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC)

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TERMS OF REFERENCE: WORKSHOP ON ARTIFICIAL REEFS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AND THE BLACK SEA

In the frame of the GFCM/SAC work program for the 2011 intersessional period (13th Session of SAC, Marseille, February 2011) it was recommended to organise a specific workshop on Artificial reefs according to the TORs drawn up during the 11th Session of the Subcommittee on Marine Environment and Ecosystems (SCMEE) in 2010. The objective suggested by the group was to update the information available in the Mediterranean and the Black sea with the specific Terms of Reference outlined here below.

- Gather information on Artificial Reefs (ARs), *e.g.* structures and activities, for the inclusion in a common database to be incorporated in the general information provided by the GFCM.
- Evidences of increased productivity and/or gathering of biomass in ARs of the Mediterranean and Black Sea.
- Monitoring strategies and statistical approaches to study ARs in the Mediterranean and Black Sea.