



Scientific Advisory Committee

11th Session of the Sub-Committee on Stock Assessment (SCSA) Malaga, Spain, 30 November- 3 December 2009 (Chair: Constantina Karlou-Riga)

Draft Annotated Agenda and Timetable

- Monday, 30 November

- Morning Session, 9: 00-12:30

1. Opening and arrangement of the Sub-Committee meetings

- *Opening session for the 4 Sub-Committees (Chaired by the hosting country/SAC Chairperson)*

2. Transversal session: review of transversal issues (chaired by the SAC chairperson)¹

- 2.1 SCSA/SCSA transversal Working Group on GFCM logbook (Rome, 29 June-1st July 2009) (by SCSA coordinator)
- 2.2 SCME/SCSA/SCSA Transversal Working Group on Selectivity improvement and bycatch reduction (Tunis, 23-25 September 2009) (by SCME coordinator) including discussion on the medium term Working programme on elasmobranchs
- 2.3 Progress on improvement and updating of SAC glossary (by J. Leonart)
- 2.4 Progress in the implementation of the FAO-ArtFiMed Project in Morocco and Tunisia (by Caminas and Bernardon)
- 2.5 Presentation of a pilot study on the implementation of the 40 mm square mesh in the bottom trawls (by Jacques Sacchi and Jorge Baro)
- 2.6 Follow up on the issue of the Climate change and its impact on fisheries and ecosystems (By the GFCM Secretariat, M. Camilleri)
- 2.7 Introduction of the activity aimed to update the reference frame and set up a medium strategic plan for the SAC (By J.J. Maguire)
- 2.8 Introduction and discussion on the issue of Alien species in the Mediterranean and Black Sea (by Bayram)

¹ The transversal issues should be discussed and concluded during this specific session

- Afternoon Session, 14:00-18:00

2. Transversal session: review of transversal issues (Con't)

3. Introduction to the SCSA meeting and adoption of the agenda

- *Introduction of participants*
- *Designation of the rapporteur(s)*
- *Adoption of the agenda*

4. Review of new stock assessments of demersal species and related scientific advice

- 4.1. Results of the Working Group on stock assessment of demersal species;
- 4.2. Results of new studies performed in specific GSAs including those carried out in the framework of regional projects and programs

- Tuesday, 1st December

- Morning Session, 9: 00 -12:30

4. Review of new stock assessments of demersal species and related scientific advice (Con't)

- Afternoon Session, 14:00-18:00

5. Review of new stock assessments of small pelagic species and related scientific advices

- 5.1. Results of the Working Group on stock assessment of small pelagic species;
- 5.2. Results of new studies performed in specific GSAs including those carried out in the framework of regional projects and programs

Wednesday, 2 December

- Morning Session, 9: 00-12:30

6. Follow-up of SAC/SCSA recommendations on :

- 6.1. New available information on mapping the distribution of juveniles
 - *The meeting will review the new information and documents submitted to the meeting. The meeting will review the progress on the SAC request*
- 6.2. Establishing GFCM protocols for surveys at sea
 - *Report of the Secretariat on the establishment of regional protocols for surveys at sea (by GFCM Secretariat)*
- 6.3. Priority and shared stocks lists including the identification of criteria to update
 - *The meeting will review the new information and documents submitted to the meeting.*
- 6.4. Contribution to improving and updating the SAC glossary

- *The meeting will review its strategy to coordinate with the expert*

6.5. Progress on the use of biological indicators and development of reference points.

- Afternoon Session, 14:00-18:00

7. General conclusions and scientific advice

8. 2010 SCSA workplan

- Stock assessment of selected elasmobranchs
- Regional training on age reading for some species of interest (jointly with regional projects and other initiatives?)
- GFCM/ICCAT meeting on small tuna fisheries in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea
- Other activities (to be defined by the Sub-Committee)

9. Any other matters

- Issues related to the functioning of the Working Groups on stock assessment
- Improvement of assessment forms

10. Nomination of the SCSA coordinator

11. Date and venue of the next meeting

Thursday 3, December

- Morning Session

- Free (preparation of the report and the executive summary)

- Afternoon Session: 15:00-18:00

12. Adoption of the report and closure of the meeting