

**JOINT IATTC AND WCPFC-NC WORKING GROUP  
CATCH DOCUMENTATION SCHEME (CDS) TECHNICAL MEETING**

Fukuoka, Japan  
09:00 – 12:30, 3 July 2023

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**MEETING NOTICE AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

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**IATTC-NC-CDS04-2023/01**

**MEETING NOTICE**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> CDS Technical Meeting was held as an electronic meeting on 12 July 2022, discussed general pending issues based on the paper submitted by Japan ([IATTC-NC-CDS03-2022/02](#)) and established small working group for further reviewing the budgetary and administrative considerations for the development of the electronic Pacific Bluefin Tuna Catch Documentation (ePBCD) system. Refer to [IATTC-NC-CDS03-2022/00](#) for the *Chair's Summary of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Catch Documentation Scheme (CDS) Technical Meeting*, also annexed to this document. It was agreed that the scope and functions of the draft CMM for the development of ePBCD would not include seafood traceability and would not go beyond the scope of CDS utilized by CCSBT and ICCAT, and not include specific MCS measures.

The 4<sup>th</sup> CDS Technical Meeting is expected to further the discussion on budgetary and administrative consideration and the next steps for the development of a draft CMM for the ePBCD for consideration by both WCPFC and IATTC. The meeting will be held in Fukuoka, Japan, (in a hybrid format), on Monday, 3 July 2023 (09:00 – 12:30) in the conjunction with the 8<sup>th</sup> Joint IATTC and WCPFC-NC Working Group Meeting.

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

**1. Opening of Meeting**

1.1 Welcome

1.2 Appointment of rapporteur

The rapporteur will be appointed.

1.3 Adoption of the agenda

The agenda will be adopted.

1.4 Meeting arrangements

The Chair will explain meeting arrangements.

**2. Development of a Catch Documentation Scheme for Pacific Bluefin Tuna**

2.1 Review of the 3<sup>rd</sup> CDS Technical Meeting and intersessional work

The Chair will briefly review the discussion at the 3<sup>rd</sup> CDS Technical Meeting and intersessional work.

2.2 Budgetary and administrative consideration

The meeting will discuss possible options for the budgetary and administrative issue for the development ePBCD.

2.3 Discussion on the draft CMM

The Meeting will discuss any element to be contained in the draft CMM and decide next steps for developing draft CMM.

**3 Next Meeting**

The meeting will discuss and agree, as necessary, to the date and place of the 5<sup>th</sup> CDS Technical Meeting.

**4 Other Business**

The meeting will discuss any other business and/or remaining issues.

**5 Report to the Joint WG**

The meeting will develop a brief summary on the progress of the 4<sup>th</sup> Technical Meeting for reporting to the 8<sup>th</sup> Joint WG.

**6 Close of the Meeting**

**JOINT IATTC AND WCPFC-NC WORKING GROUP  
CATCH DOCUMENTATION SCHEME (CDS) TECHNICAL MEETING**

ELECTRONIC MEETING  
09:00 – 11:00, Japan Standard Time  
12 July 2022

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**CHAIR'S SUMMARY OF THE  
3<sup>RD</sup> CATCH DOCUMENTATION SCHEME (CDS) TECHNICAL MEETING**

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**IATTC-NC-CDS03-2022/00**

**1. Opening of Meeting**

**1.1 Welcome**

1. Mr. Shingo Ota, Chair of the CDS Working Group, opened the meeting and welcomed the participants.

**1.2 Selection of rapporteur**

2. Mr. Alex Meyer of Japan was appointed the rapporteur for the meeting.

**1.3 Adoption of the agenda**

3. The provisional agenda was adopted without any change (Appendix 1).

**1.4 Meeting arrangements**

4. The WCPFC Secretariat explained the meeting arrangements.

**2. Development of a Catch Documentation Scheme for Pacific Bluefin Tuna**

**2.1 Review of the 2<sup>nd</sup> CDS Technical Meeting and intersessional work**

5. The Chair briefly reviewed the results of the 2<sup>nd</sup> CDS Technical Meeting and related discussions at the 16<sup>th</sup> Regular Session of the Commission.

6. Japan briefly reviewed work conducted intersessionally after the 2<sup>nd</sup> CDS Technical Meeting towards developing the draft CMM for the establishment of a CDS.

**2.2 Discussion on the draft CMM**

7. The meeting participants held discussions on general pending issues based on a paper that was submitted by Japan (IATTC-NC-CDS03-2022/02). The meeting participants concluded the following:

(1) Budgetary and administrative consideration for the development of the electronic Pacific Bluefin Tuna Catch Documentation (ePBCD) system

The participants agreed to establish a small working group that will further review the budgetary and administrative considerations for the development of the ePBCD system and report on the outcomes of its review to the next CDS Technical Meeting. The small working group will be led by Japan and participated in by Chinese Taipei and Canada. Other members interested in

participating in the small working group were requested to notify Japan by the end of 15 July 2022.

The small working group will work with the secretariats of the IATTC and the WCPFC, contact the secretariats of the CCSBT and ICCAT to seek more information regarding their bluefin tuna CDSs, and take into consideration the ongoing work to develop a CDS at the IOTC. If the small working group determines that the hiring of a consultant may be required, it will present such a proposal to the next CDS Technical Meeting.

(2) Scope and functions of the draft CMM for the development of CDS

The participants agreed that the scope and functions of the draft CMM for the development of CDS would: i) not include seafood traceability and not go beyond the scope of the bluefin tuna CDSs utilized by the CCSBT and ICCAT, and ii) not include specific monitoring, controlling and surveillance measures.

(3) Next steps

The participants agreed to further review the budgetary and administrative considerations for the development of the ePBCD system through the aforementioned small working group.

The participants recommended convening two one-day meetings of the CDS Technical Meeting in 2023. The first will be held in January or February 2023 and the timing will be duly notified. The second will be held in conjunction with the 2023 Joint Working Group meeting.

**3 Next Meeting**

8. The participants recommended convening one one-day meeting in January or February 2023 and one one-day meeting in conjunction with the 2023 Joint Working Group meeting.

**4 Other Business**

9. No other business was raised.

**5 Report to the Joint WG**

10. The Chair will provide his Summary of the CDS Technical Meeting to the Joint IATTC-WCPFC NC Working Group.

**6 Close of the Meeting**

11. The meeting was closed at 10:25 am, Japan Standard Time.