

TO ALL COMMISSION MEMBERS, COOPERATING NON-MEMBERS PARTICIPATING TERRITORIES AND OBSERVERS

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Meeting Notice for the Nineteenth Regular Session of the Technical and Compliance Committee

Dear All,

I am pleased to formally advise all CCMs and Observers that the Nineteenth Regular Session of the Technical and Compliance Committee (TCC19) will be held in the COM/FSM China Friendship Sport Center, Palikir, Pohnpei State, Federated States of Micronesia, from 20 – 26 September 2023.

The attached Meeting Notice is also posted to the TCC19 meeting website page (https://meetings.wcpfc.int/meetings/tcc19) and participants are encouraged to make early accommodation arrangements. A copy of the TCC19 Provisional Agenda has also been posted to the TCC19 website. Other meeting documents will be posted on the TCC19 website in due course.

Please contact the Compliance Manager, Dr Lara Manarangi-Trott (<u>lara.manarangi-trott@wcpfc.int</u>) if you have any questions or require additional information. Your assistance in distributing this Circular to all relevant officials and representatives in your area is appreciated. Thank you.

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Yours sincerely,

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TECHNICAL AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE Nineteenth Regular Session

20 – 26 September 2023 Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia

MEETING NOTICE

WCPFC-TCC19-2023-02 22 June 2023

The Nineteenth Regular Session of the Technical and Compliance Committee of the Commission for the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean (TCC19) will be held in COM/FSM China Friendship Sport Center, Palikir, Pohnpei State, Federated States of Micronesia. from Wednesday 20th to Tuesday 26th September 2023, with Sunday 24th September designated as a free day. A Preparatory Meeting for the Heads of Delegation will be held on Tuesday 19th September. Mr Mat Kertesz (Australia) will chair TCC19.

The TCC19 Provisional meeting agenda (WCPFC-TCC19-2023-02) is issued and posted to the TCC19 meeting website page with this notice. The Annotated Agenda will be posted on the TCC19 website in due course. The inclusion of any supplementary items on the agenda, accompanied by a written explanation, may be requested at least thirty days before the meeting, i.e. by Monday, 21st August 2023.

TCC19 meeting structure

TCC19 will be a hybrid meeting, with participation to take place in-person and virtually through Zoom. CCMs are only permitted to make their interventions virtually if the CCM HOD or alternative is not able to attend the meeting in person. Please contact the Secretariat's IT team (ITSupport@wcpfc.int) for any technical assistance regarding virtual participation.

TCC19 will be supplemented by the TCC19 website and the TCC19 Online Discussion Forum (ODF). The opening and duration of the ODF will be advised in due course. The results of the ODF will be provided to TCC19 as a Summary of Online Discussion Forum and considered as needed under the relevant agenda items.

CCMs are requested to **provide delegation papers/proposals and/or requests for ODF topics** at least 30 days ahead of the meeting, i.e. by **Monday**, 21st **August 2023**.

 Where a CCM requests creation of an ODF topic, they will be responsible for facilitating discussion and presenting summary of discussions and proposed recommendations to plenary where required.

The ODF will be accessible only to registered and approved TCC19 participants. Support for registrations and using Zoom is available from the Online Meeting Resources helpdesk.

An indicative meeting schedule will be developed and posted on the TCC19 website in due course. This will, amongst others, confirm the indicative scheduling for the review of the Draft Compliance Monitoring Reports covering RY 2021 and RY 2022 (CMM 2021-03).

All related enquiries about the TCC19 meeting should be addressed to the Compliance Manager, Dr Lara Manarangi-Trott: lara.manarangi-trott@wcpfc.int.

Meeting Registration

Online meeting registration is available at the SC19 meeting site and all participants are requested to register through this link https://meetings.wcpfc.int/meetings/tcc19.

Continuing the TCC14 pledge for TCC to be 'plastic bottle' free

Participants are reminded to bring their own water bottles for use during the meetings, and as a contribution to minimizing single-use plastic at WCPFC meetings. Extra water coolers will be provided at the meeting.

Funding for Developing Countries and Participating Territories

The Commission will fund the participation (a daily allowance and most direct economical airfare) of one representative from each developing country and participating territory that is a member of the Commission. Formal nominations for participants to receive this support should be submitted to the Secretariat Finance and Administration Manager, Mr Aaron Nighswander at aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int by **Thursday**, **24**th **August 2023**, under the signature of their WCPFC Official Contact for eligible developing countries and participating territories.

The latest date for travel arrangements of funded nominees to be finalized is two weeks prior to commencing travel.

Visa to visit the Federated States of Micronesia

Most participants visiting Federated States of Micronesia should pass through either Honolulu or Guam airport, where they are required to have a US transit visa. Visitors to the Federated States of Micronesia do not require an entry permit for stays up to 30 days; however, visitors must have an onward ticket and a passport valid for at least 120 days. An entry permit is required for visits longer than 30 days, extendable up to one year.

For further visa requirements please refer to: https://visit-micronesia.fm/regulations

Airport Transfers

Transport from the Pohnpei Airport to the hotels in Pohnpei is available by hotel. Please contact your hotels for transportation arrangement.

Currency in FSM

The currency used in the Federated States of Micronesia is the U.S. dollar. Bank of Guam provides currency exchange services for the Australian Dollar, Philippine Peso, Japanese Yen, Hong Kong dollar and Korean Won.

Accommodation

Available accommodation is listed in **Table 1** below. Those participants needing accommodation should book directly with the hotel of their choice as soon as possible. All rates noted below are tax inclusive. Some alternative accommodation options may also be available.

Table 1. Accommodation in Pohnpei

Hotel	Room Rates (tax included)	Amenities	No. of Rooms
Cliff Rainbow Hotel reservations@cliffrainbow.com Ph: (691) 320-2415/2414 320-5939/320-5834	Standard (7) \$ 58.30 Single Deluxe (2) \$ 111.30 Double Deluxe(18) \$ 137.80	Air-conditioned rooms, cable TV, free internet, refrigerators, Airport transfers. Restaurant onsite.	27 Rooms
7 Star Inn 7starsinn@mail.fm www.7starsinn.fm Ph: (691) 320-6383/320-6147 By Dum Mylanney / Amy	Single \$ 78.75 Double \$ 94.50 Deluxe \$ 99.75 Studio \$ 120.75 Suite \$ 136.50	Air-conditioned rooms, cable TV, internet, Restaurant & Bar/Lounge onsite; Airport transfers	11 Rooms
Oceanview Hotel – West Wing rumorsinc@mail.fm www.fm/oceanview Ph: (691) 320-7978/320-3486	Single: Ocean View \$ 95 Mountain View \$ 85 Double: Ocean View \$ 142 Mountain View \$ 132 Cottages: \$ 75 w/Kitchen Ocean View \$125 w/Kitchen Street View \$110 Car Hire \$ 60	Air-conditioned rooms, internet, restaurant on site, airport transfers; \$25 for additional person	9 Rooms & 5 Cottages
Island Palms Hotel islandpalmshotel@gmail.com Ph: 691) 320-1074/320-2573- 2575	Single Standard Full \$ 59 Single Queen \$ 69 Single King \$ 79 Double Standard \$ 95 Single Q Deluxe \$ 94.50 Double Deluxe \$ 110 10% Discount for 3 nights or more (excludes single Standard full/Double standard rooms)	Air-conditioned rooms internet; cable TV; Room service; Complimentary airport transfers; Restaurant on site	27 Rooms
Sea Breeze Hotel seabreeze@mail.fm info@seabreezehotel.fm (691) 320-2065/320-2066	Single: \$ 70.85 Double: \$ 81.75 Triple: \$ 92.65	Air-conditioned rooms, telephone, refrigerator, cable TV, Free internet, airport transfers, Restaurant onsite	19 Rooms

Hotel	Room Rates	Amenities	No. of
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Yvonne Hotel yvonnehotel@hotmail.com Ph: (691) 320-5130/1248 Mangrove Bay Hotel, Bar &	Single Standard \$ 70 Single Deluxe \$ 79 Double \$ 90 Double Deluxe \$ 99 Room No.8 \$100	Air conditioned rooms, telephone, refrigerator, internet, cable TV; Restaurant onsite; Laundry facilities, two rooms w/cooking facilities. Conference and private meeting rooms available; Airport transfers Air-conditioned	24 Rooms 8 Rooms
Marina mangrovebayhotel@gmail.com www.mangrovebaypohnpei.com Ph: (691) 320-5454/925-7233 Oceanview Hotel – East Wing	Room No.1 to 7 \$120 Single rooms	rooms, TV, Telephone, Wi-fi internet, refrigerator, Scenic view & oceanfront bar. kayak and paddle board rentals Air conditioned	10 Rooms
Oceanview_plaza@yahoo.com Ph: (691) 320-5075	Mountain View \$ 80 Ocean View \$ 90 Twin room \$ 120	rooms, refrigerator, telephone, internet, TV only at 2 nd Floor; airport transfers	
China Star Hotel guojunqu@hotmail.com (691) 320-1788/320-4390	2nd Floor Rooms Single \$ 78 Double \$ 88 3rd Floor Rooms Single \$ 88 Double \$ 98	Air-conditioned rooms, refrigerator, telephone TV, Free airport transfers, Close to airport, Restaurant onsite	28 Rooms
Joy Hotel Joy ponape@mail.fm Ph: (691)320-2477/2447	Single (2) \$79.50 Double (8) \$100.70	Air conditioned rooms, telephone, refrigerator, TV, internet, airport shuttle	10 Rooms
Hideaway Hotel hideaway@mail.fm Ph: (691) 320-1970	Cottages \$ 75 Single/Double \$ 85	Air-conditioned rooms, pillow-top mattresses w/bedding, refrigerator, high speed internet	8 Rooms
Beacon Towers Apartment vcs_pws@mail.fm Ph: (691) 320-7820/ 924-6445	Double Rm \$ 85	Air-conditioned rooms, TV and kitchenette	3 Rooms

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