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**SOUTH PACIFIC ALBACORE ROADMAP INTERSESSIONAL WORKING GROUP**

**(SPA-RM-IWG05)**

ELECTRONIC MEETING

09:00 – 13:00 Pohnpei Time, Friday, 11 October 2024

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| **PROVISIONAL AGENDA** |

**SPA-RM-IWG05-2024-01 (Rev.01)**

1. **OPENING OF MEETING**

Chair Moses Mataika will open an online meeting by summarizing the IWG's progress.

1. **SOUTH PACIFIC ALBACORE HARVEST STRATEGY UPDATES**

SPC provides an update on the latest development of the harvest strategy for South Pacific albacore since SMD02, including updates on target reference points and evaluation of candidate management procedures.

* 1. **South Pacific Albacore Interim Target Reference Points**

As requested by SC20 and SMD02, SPC will provide an updated evaluation of TRPs by setting EPO fisheries to average levels from 2017 to 2019.

The IWG will provide any agreed TRPs to the Commission if available.

* 1. **South Pacific Albacore Management Procedures**

SMD02 selected additional candidate MPs for further evaluation, including effort-based MPs and new MPs with alternative HCRs. Additionally, the exclusion of archipelagic waters from MP should be considered.

SPC will provide an update on the current outcomes of the MP evaluations requested by SMD02. The IWG will provide the Commission with advice based on the available information.

1. **ALLOCATION**

The Secretariat presents [WCPFC-TTMW4-2023-IP03](https://meetings.wcpfc.int/node/20780) (*Information Paper on Elements of Allocation Frameworks in Other RFMOs*) for discussion. IWG will consider approaches (allocation principles, including elements) to develop an allocation formula as needed.

1. **CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURE FOR THE SOUTH PACIFIC ALBACORE**

Discuss the approach to developing a new/revised CMM that includes the range of the South Pacific albacore stocks and all fisheries targeting albacore and implementing an adopted management procedure.

1. **COOPERATION WITH IATTC**

The WCPFC Secretariat will summarize the SMD02 discussions regarding future collaboration with the IATTC. The IWG may explore establishing a mechanism, such as a joint working group, to facilitate the joint management of South Pacific albacore stocks in coordination with the IATTC. This would include developing compatible measures between the two RFMOs, mainly focused on developing harvest strategies for South Pacific albacore.

1. **SPARM-IWG WORK PLAN**

As needed, the IWG will review and revise the [SPARM-IWG Work Plan 2023 -2026](https://meetings.wcpfc.int/node/21325).

1. **OTHER MATTERS**

The IWG will consider other matters for future IWG activities.

1. **ADOPTION OF AGREED POINTS**

If available, the IWG will adopt the agreed points and recommend them to the Commission.

1. **Closing of THE MEETING**