



**SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE  
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**PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE  
FISHING TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST WORKING GROUP**

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- 1. Opening of the Meeting**
- 2. Selection of Rapporteurs**
- 3. Adoption of Agenda**
- 4. Review of information and related studies**
  - 4.1. Studies related to the influence of FADs and floating objects on target and non-target species
    - a) FT WP-4: Satoh et al. *Preliminary results of the relationship between catch ratio of bigeye tuna to total catch and length of underwater structures*  
– supporting documents FT IP-1, FT IP-2, FT IP-4, FT WP-3
    - b) FT WP-5: Moreno et al. *Fish behaviour from fishermen knowledge: the case study of tropical tuna around drifting fish aggregating devices (DFADs)*
  - 4.2. Improvements in targeting and avoidance of small tuna
    - a) FT WP-2: Schaefer and Fuller. *Acoustic imaging, visual observations, and other information used for classification of tuna aggregations associated with floating objects in the Pacific Ocean*  
– supporting document FT IP-4
  - 4.3. Operational characterization of fleets, effort standardization and effective effort
    - a) FT WP-1: Campbell. *Use of TDRs and hook-timers to ascertain fishing depths and times of capture in the Australian Eastern Tuna and Billfish Fishery*  
– Supporting documents FT IP-3, ME IP-1
    - b) FT WP-6: Ward. *Bait loss and its potential effects on fishing power in pelagic longline fisheries*
    - c) FT WP-7: YE and XU. *Observation of Chinese Purse Seine Fishery in the WCPFC Waters during 2006-2007*

#### 4.4. Information requirements for port sampling and observer programmes

- a) FT WP-2: Itano. *An examination of FAD-related gear and fishing strategies useful for data collection and FAD-based management*
  - *Supporting document FT IP-4*
- b) Production, publication and distribution costs for materials to assist species-specific reporting developed by the FT-SWG in languages useful for the Scientific Committee (*not presented*)
  - FT IP5, FT IP-6, FT IP-7

#### 4.5. Advice to the Scientific Committee

### **5. Research planning and coordination**

#### 5.1. Medium Term Research Plan

#### 5.2. Operational Research Plan for 2007/08 with budget

#### 5.3. Work programme for 2009-2010 with indicative budget

### **6. Other matters arising**

#### 6.1. Format, review and clearance procedures of the FT-SWG report

#### 6.2. Other matters

### **7. Adoption of Report**

### **8. Close of the meeting**