



**SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

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Manila, Philippines

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE
STATISTICS SPECIALIST WORKING GROUP**

ST-SWG AGEMDA

1. Overview of gaps/issues with data

- a. Summary of 2005/2006 achievements toward filling data gaps
- b. Summary of data gaps remaining
- c. Indonesia and Philippines catch
 - Overview of the IPDCP – achievements and constraints
 - Review of data and information available

The Statistics SWG will receive a briefing on the progress that has been made in the past year with regard to addressing data issues. The purpose of this briefing is to better inform the discussion of other special working groups which meet later in the week.

The Group will also review the status of data and information available for Philippine and Indonesian vessels, and make recommendations on any improvements including the importance of early implementation of the Project in Indonesia.

2. Data confidentiality, security, and dissemination

- a. Rules for access to, and use of, WCPFC data
- b. Rules and Procedures to govern the security of data held by the Commission

The ad-hoc task group scheduled to meet the week prior to the Scientific Committee should provide recommendations on these issues. The Statistics SWG will review these recommendations.

3. Regional observer programme

- a. Priorities and objectives (including species of special interest)
- b. Coverage levels (including by method)
- c. Process for the development of observer data standards

The Statistics SWG will review the scope and quality of data generated by the regional observer programme in terms of its effectiveness in supporting the objectives of the Programme.

4. Recommendations on 2007 work program

5. Membership and partnership agreements (if time permits)

- a. Membership of the Coordinating Working Party on Fishery Statistics (CWP)
- b. Partnership agreement for the Fishery Resources Monitoring System (FIRMS)