

**The Commission for the Conservation and Management of
Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean**

**Scientific Committee
Fifth Regular Session**

**Port Vila, Vanuatu
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**PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE
BIOLOGY SPECIALIST WORKING GROUP**

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1. Opening of the Meeting

2. Selection of Rapporteurs

3. Adoption of Agenda

4. Research

a. Age and growth

BI-WP-1: R. Keller Kopf, Julian Pepperell, and Peter S. Davie. Age, Growth, and Reproductive Dynamics of Striped Marlin (*Kajikia audax*) in the Southwest Pacific Ocean

b. Stock structure

c. Behaviour and movement

d. Reproductive biology including review of the research project, early life history and recruitment strategy

BI-WP-2: Ashida H., T.Tanabe, and N. Suzuki. Recent progress on reproductive biology of skipjack tuna in the tropical region of the Western and Central Pacific Ocean.

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e. Trophic study

f. Other

5. Research Planning

a. Short-and medium-term research plan

b. Work programme for 2011-2012

6. Administrative Matters

7. Adoption of Report (including a one page summary)

8. Close of the meeting