JOINT IATTC AND WCPFC-NC WORKING GROUP MEETING ON THE MANAGEMENT OF PACIFIC BLUEFIN TUNA

FOURTH SESSION

Portland, Oregon, United States of America 3 – 5 September 2019

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

IATTC-NC-JWG04-2019/01

1. Opening of the meeting

2. Designation of co-chairs

The 4th Joint WG meeting will be co-chaired by Masanori Miyahara (WCPFC-NC) and Dorothy Lowman (IATTC).

3. Adoption of agenda

4. Conservation and Management Measures for Pacific bluefin tuna (WCPFC CMM 2018-02 and IATTC RESOLUTION C-18-01)

4.1 Reports from ISC, IATTC-SAC and WCPFC-SC

The Joint WG will review the meeting report of the 19th Meeting of the International Scientific Committee for Tuna and Tuna-like Species in the North Pacific Ocean (ISC19), and also review any additional relevant information from IATTC-SAC10, and WCPFC-SC15.

4.2 Reports on the implementation of conservation and management measures for Pacific bluefin tuna

The Joint WG will review WCPFC and IATTC members' implementation reports on conservation and management measures for PBF and discuss members' plans to remedy shortcomings, if any.

5. Harvest strategy and Long-term Management Framework for Pacific bluefin tuna fisheries (WCPFC HS 2017-02 and IATTC RESOLUTION C-18-02 – Amendment to C-16-08)

5.1 Review of conservation and management measures for PBF

The Joint WG will review the current conservation management measures and if necessary, make recommendation to NC15 and IATTC to amend them.

5.2 Emergency rule

The Joint WG will review all available data and information to detect any drastic drops in recruitment.

5.3 Guidelines for the development of MSE

5.3.1 Report from the MSE Workshop

The Joint WG will review the results of the 2nd ISC's Pacific Bluefin Tuna Management Strategy Evaluation Workshop held in San Diego, USA, during 20-21 May 2019.

5.3.2 Development of MSE

The Joint WG will review information provided by the ISC and consider candidate limit reference points, target reference points and harvest control rules for use in the MSE

5.4 Administrative matters

The Joint WG will consider how to assist the development of MSE including identifying experts and providing additional funds.

6. Catch document scheme

The Joint WG will discuss the results of the CDS technical meeting held prior to its meeting.

- 7. Next meeting
- 8. Other business
- 9. Close of Meeting