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FADMO-IWG Work Plan 2024 – 2026¹

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¹ Attachment 19, [WCPFC21 Outcomes Document](#)

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Timeline	Activities	Responsibility
January – February 2024 and 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify priority tasks for 2024 and 2025 as instructed by the Commission. Send circular to CCMs and Observers to gather comments on the draft FADMO-IWG Workplan prepared by the FADMO-IWG Chair including updating of FADMO-IWG members' contact list 	FADMO-IWG Chair, Secretariat
March 2024 - December 2026 July 2024 – December 2024 July 2025 – December 2025	I. Satellite Buoy Data Transmission Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider requirements for the transmission of satellite buoy data from drifting FADs in 2024 to promote effective and sustainable FAD management in the WCPFC (<i>paragraph 56, WCPFC20 Outcomes Document</i>) Prepare document for consideration of SC20, TCC20 and Commission including items II to V Prepare document for consideration of SC21, TCC21 and Commission including items II to VI 	FADMO-IWG, SC, TCC, Commission
March 2024 - December 2026	II. FAD Recovery Programs/Strategies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider ways to implement FAD recovery programs/strategies, including economic aspects and standards required for programs to be effective (<i>paragraph 52, WCPFC20 Outcomes Document</i>) 	FADMO-IWG, SC, TCC, Commission
March 2024 – December 2026	III. FAD logbook³ Consider relevant information/materials to develop the WCPFC FAD logbook for vessel operators (<i>paragraph 53c, WCPFC20 Outcomes Document</i>)	FADMO-IWG, SC, TCC, Commission

² The timeline and activities of the workplan will be updated taking into consideration the FADMO-IWG progress and Commission's tasking to the IWG after its annual meeting (e.g. WCPFC21).

³ PNA+TK suggestion that the FADMO-IWG meet physically no later than 2025 but preferably in 2024.

March 2024 - December 2026	IV. Biodegradable FADs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider ways for the implementation of the stepwise introduction of bio-degradable dFADs (<i>paragraph 53a, WCPFC20 Outcomes Document</i>) 	FADMO-IWG, SC, TCC, Commission
March 2024 - December 2026	V. DFAD Deployment⁴ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide advice to WCPFC23 on the effectiveness of the limit on the number of dFADs deployed as set in paragraph [21] of the CMM 2023-01 (<i>paragraph 53b, WCPFC20 Outcomes Document</i>) 	FADMO-IWG, SC, TCC, Commission
March 2025 - October 2025	VI. Types of Vessels Allowed to Engage in FAD-related Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The Commission tasks FAD Management Options IWG and TCC21 to consider clarifying the ambiguity around the existing participatory rights text as to which types of vessels should be allowed to engage in FAD-related activities and provide recommendations to WCPFC22.</i> 	FADMO-IWG, TCC, Commission
September 2025	VII. Physical Meeting	FADMO-IWG

Reference: Progress of the FAD Management Options IWG on Priority Tasks and Discussions for 2024 ([WCPFC21-2024-19](#))

⁴ PNA+TK proposal to ensure that all drifting FAD Buoys were activated and transmitting position data when in the waters of the WCPFC Convention Area.