



**COMMISSION**  
**FIRST SOUTH PACIFIC ALBACORE ALLOCATION WORKSHOP**  
25 – 26 June 2026  
Wellington, New Zealand (Hybrid)

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**MEETING NOTICE AND ARRANGEMENTS**

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**SPAA01-2026-01**  
**28 April 2026**

At WCPFC22, the Commission adopted CMM 2025-01 on a Management Procedure for South Pacific Albacore Tuna. The Commission also agreed to progress an implementing measure through SPA-IWG activities in 2026, taking into account the proposal from FFA members contained in [WCPFC22-2025-DP02b](#), *a Draft Conservation and Management Measure for Implementing the South Pacific Albacore Management Procedure*, and noting the need for flexibility in developing implementing arrangements.

The Commission adopted [Terms of Reference](#) for a Workshop on the Framework for the Allocation of South Pacific albacore proportional shares. The objective of the workshop will be to undertake preparatory work for the purposes of implementing the South Pacific albacore management procedure, which requires the Commission to agree on proportional shares for Commission Members and Participating Territories, and that adequately take into account Articles 8, 10(3) and 30 of the Convention.

The First South Pacific Albacore Allocation Workshop (SPAA01) will be held on 25–26 June 2026 at [Te Papa Tongarewa](#), Wellington, New Zealand, and will be conducted in hybrid format to allow for remote participation online.

The SPAA01 will start at 9:00am and conclude at 5:00pm, daily, with registration beginning at 8:00am.

### **Registration**

Online meeting registration is available at the [SPAA01 meeting site](#). All participants are requested to register using the “Registration” link on the meeting site as early as possible.

### **Hybrid Meeting Arrangements**

SPAA01 will be a physical meeting, but approved participants can attend virtually through Zoom. Virtual interventions by a CCM will only be permitted if the CCMs HoD cannot participate in the meeting physically. If a CCM cannot attend the meeting physically, please amend the meeting registration to “Online only” participation to receive a Zoom link to the meeting.

Zoom meeting links will be shared with approved online participants one week prior to the start of the meeting.

### **SPAA01 Meeting Documents**

The provisional agenda, the annotated agenda and other relevant documents will be available on the WCPFC [SPAA01 meeting site](#).

All meeting documents should be submitted to the Secretariat through the Science Manager, Dr SungKwon Soh ([sungkwon.soh@wcpfc.int](mailto:sungkwon.soh@wcpfc.int)), with a copy to the Fisheries Management and Compliance Adviser, Ms Hilary Ayrton ([hilary.ayrton@wcpfc.int](mailto:hilary.ayrton@wcpfc.int)) by 25 May 2026 for posting on the website. CCMs are reminded to submit proposals on allocation frameworks by the same date.

In accordance with the [Terms of Reference](#), the Science Services Provider will provide a full complement of EEZ and high seas catch and effort data at least one month in advance of the workshop. CCMs may also request the Secretariat to provide additional data or information relevant to the workshop discussions. Participants will be responsible for downloading and printing their own documents as required.

### **Meeting Venue, Visas for New Zealand, and Accommodation**

New Zealand, as host, has provided a [logistics note](#) covering venue, visa requirements, and accommodation options for participants. The meetings will be held at [Te Papa Tongarewa](#) in central Wellington, with a range of nearby hotels available. Participants are reminded that a visa or NZeTA is required for entry into New Zealand and should be secured well in advance of travel.

### **Climate**

June is winter in Wellington, with temperatures typically ranging from 7–13°C (45–55°F). Conditions are often cool, windy, and wet.

### **Funding for Developing Countries and Territories**

The Commission will fund the participation (a daily allowance and most direct economical airfare) of **one** representative from each developing country and participating territory that is a member of the Commission. Formal nominations for participants to receive this support should be submitted to the Secretariat ([Aaron.Nighswander@wcpfc.int](mailto:Aaron.Nighswander@wcpfc.int)) by **25 May 2026** under the signature of their WCPFC Official Contact for eligible developing countries and participating territories.

The latest travel arrangement for funded nominees is to be finalized two weeks before commencing travel.