



IDEAS FOR COLLABORATION ON TUNA RFMOS (ICCAT)

LDAC
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AGENDA

3 MARCH 2023

12:00-12:05. Welcome by the LDAC Chair

12:05-12:15 Setting the scene: ToR and aim of this meeting (LDAC Secretary)

12:15 – 12:30 Summary by each AC of their work on ICCAT (3-5 minutes each of the 4 AC)

12:30 – 12:45 Open discussion: Exchange of views on identified areas of cooperation and how to convey Inter-AC messages to DG MARE

12:45 – 12:55 Way forward: calendar of meetings and expected production of advice

12:55 – 13:00 Summary of actions agreed and conclusions

BACKGROUND

At the Inter-AC meeting between Chairs & Secretariats held in Copenhagen on 11 January 2023, the LDAC requested a certain degree of coordination for the concerned ACs in relation to work in the provision of advice on tuna RFMOs.

ICCAT was identified as the first to start work with, potentially followed by IOTC in the future.

It was agreed that collaborative work would be explored in 2023. Four ACs have been identified to have submitted advice or worked in the past in ICCAT: MEDAC, SWWAC, CCRUP and LDAC.

PROPOSAL FOR TERMS OF REFERENCE

An informal meeting between Chairs and Secretaries of the LDAC, MEDAC, SWWAC and ORAC was held via Zoom on 3 March 2023 to exchange views on work priorities for ICCAT (areas and stock covered, main topics of interest...). This meeting served to explore avenues of collaboration for developing joint positions or coordinated pieces of advice in the future to DG MARE.

The long-term objectives of this collaboration would be to:

- Set up a forum for dialogue (formal/informal) between Chairs, Secretariats and MEMBERS to coordinate and be aware of each AC work on this area;
- AC Chairs, Secretariats and/or designated members to participate in observer/expert capacity at each relevant AC Working Groups dealing with this subject (and follow up actions and minutes from them)
- Consider creating a joint (in person/hybrid/virtual) AC Focus Group meeting periodically to deal with topics of interest in ICCAT – each AC could rotate in terms of organization (agenda, minutes, actions...)
- Keep each other informed on relevant consultation procedures and content of advice that can be endorsed/signed-off/incorporated in several AC pieces of advice
- Have a coordinated voice with the DG MARE, in forthcoming technical coordination Inter-AC meetings on this topic.

REFERENCES TO LDAC ADVICE ON ICCAT (2016-2022)

NO WRITTEN ADVICE SUBMITTED
IN 2018 AND 2021

ICCAT Annual Meeting 2022

- LDAC Advice on ICCAT – YFT-SKJ-BET PA1, BSH-NSAM PA4, IUU fishing, MSE, sea turtles

https://ldac.eu/images/ICCAT2022-LDAC_Advice_07-11-2022_final.pdf

ICCAT Annual Meeting November 2020

LDAC Position on Northern Atlantic Shortfin Mako (NASM) + EC Reply

https://ldac.eu/images/EN_LDAC_Position_ATLANTIC_MAKO_ICCAT_Nov2020.pdf

ICCAT Annual Meeting November 2019

- LDAC Advice on ICCAT Tropical Tuna and Sharks BSH, NSAM (Nov 2019):

https://ldac.eu/images/LDAC_Advice_ICCAT_Annual_Mtg_2019.pdf

ICCAT Annual Meeting November 2017:

LDAC Advice on YFT-SKJ-BET, ALB, BSH, NSAM + EC reply

https://ldac.eu/images/documents/publications/LDAC_Recommendation_for_ICCAT_November2017.pdf

https://ldac.eu/images/documents/publications/Commission_reply_LDAC_ICCAT_advice_number_R-06-17.WG7.pdf

ICCAT Annual Meeting November 2016:

LDAC Advice + EC Reply

https://ldac.eu/images/documents/publications/LDAC_Advice_ICCAT.pdf

https://ldac.eu/images/documents/publications/Commission_reply_to_LDAC_Advice_on_ICCAT_Annual_Meeting_2016.pdf