Introduction to the outcomes of Expert Group on Pew/ISSF Compliance Workshops

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Brief to TCN/PPFCN

# This work was first initiated in 2020 by...







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# 3 Expert workshops on best practices

 Attended by Chairs of Compliance Committees, Compliance Officers and Executive Secretaries of 10 RFMOs & other experts

#### Themes

- Information management and reporting
- Compliance review and assessment procedures
- Outcomes of compliance review procedures

Transparency

Outcomes
Workshop reports presented at some RFMOs
Recommendations



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#### Task:

To review the collection of Workshop recommendations and findings and prepare a compliance assessment model to strengthen and enhance the RFMO compliance assessment processes Recommended Approaches and Tools to evaluate and strengthen RFMO compliance processes and performance

 This Report contains those recommended approaches, tools and guidance, which are intended to be used to develop new compliance assessment processes and serve as a model against which existing RFMO compliance assessment processes can be evaluated and strengthened



#### Three sections

#### 1. context :

- overarching purpose of compliance assessment processes
- principles for implementation

- 2. guidance for ten (10) elements of compliance assessment processes
- 3. Methodology to assess the effectiveness of an RFMO compliance process
  - Annex 1





 Recommended general areas for RFMOS to consider in evaluating and strengthening their compliance assessment processes:

Ensure governance process is well defined

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Operate transparently and with a goal of demonstrating effectiveness of and continual improvement of agreed management actions

Have robust follow up process to demonstrate progress over time Base compliance processes on clearly defined priority obligations

Have pre-agreed responses to noncompliance

Annex 2 provides a summary of the key recommendations developed through the course of the workshops

**Recommended Approaches and Tools to evaluate and strengthen RFMO compliance processes and performance** 

- identifies key attributes of an effective and welldesigned RFMO compliance assessment process
- provides a menu of recommendations and tools provided in this paper as a means of improving and strengthening RFMO compliance processes
- Annex 1 describes a methodology to assess RFMO compliance processes
- a synthesis of the key recommendations and tools developed through the course of the Workshops is set out in Annex 2



