



Management Strategy Evaluation for EPO tropical tunas: Workplan, Status and Next Steps

Evaluación de Estrategias de Ordenación para atunes tropicales en el OPO: Plan, Situación y pasos siguientes

3rd IATTC Tropical Tuna MSE Workshop, by videoconference, December 08-09, 2022



What are Management Strategies?

¿Que son las Estrategias de Ordenación?

- Combination of monitoring, stock status evaluation, control rule and management actions **designed to achieve fisheries objectives.**
Combinación de monitoreo, evaluación stocks, regla de control y acciones de manejo diseñadas para lograr objetivos de ordenación
- Strategies can't be properly evaluated without **specific** management objectives, data, analyses, control rule, uncertainty, other components
Estrategias no pueden ser evaluadas sin especificar objetivos, datos, análisis, regla de control, incertidumbre y otros componentes
- Development and success of Management Strategies benefit from **involvement of all stakeholders** in the planning stage
El desarrollo y éxito de Estrategias de Ordenación se benefician con el involucramiento de todas las partes interesadas en su planificación
- Management Strategy Evaluation components/*Componentes de EEO*
Dialogue: define alternative strategies to evaluate/*Diálogo: definir estrategias a evaluar*
Technical: evaluate strategies via simulations/*Técnico: evaluar estrategias con simulación*

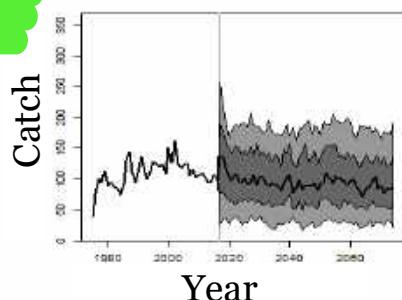
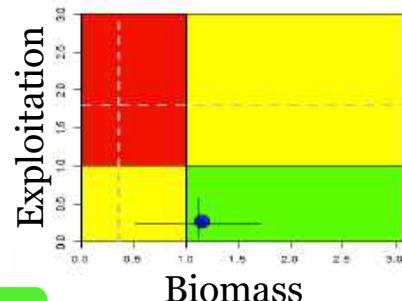
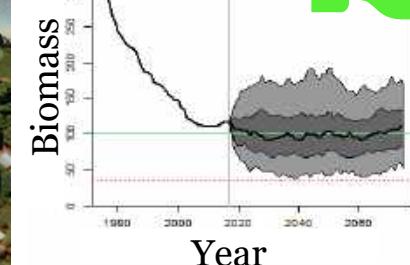
Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE)

Evaluación de Estrategias de Ordenación (EEO)

- Used to evaluate management alternatives via computer simulations:
Usadas para evaluar alternativas de ordenación vía simulación con computadoras
- Quotas (individual, total) / *Cuotas (individuales, totales)*
- Closures (time, spatial) / *Vedas (temporales, espaciales)*
- Fishing effort limits (number of sets, FADs, etc) / *Límites de esfuerzo (núm. de lances, FADs, etc)*
- New data (tagging, ageing, genetics, etc) / *Nuevos datos (marcado, edad, genética)*
- Alternative harvest control rules / *Reglas de control alternativas*



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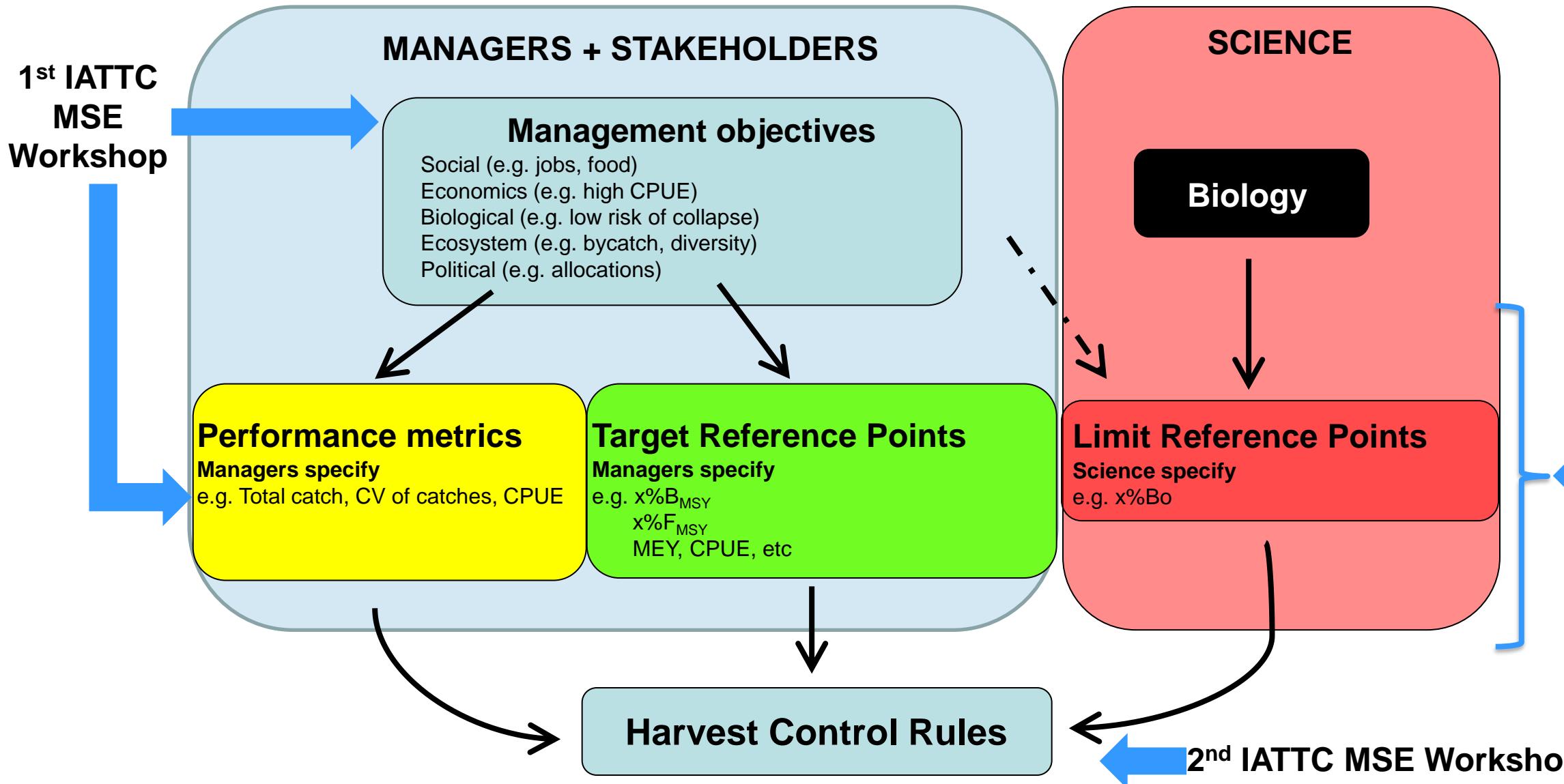
EPO tropical tuna Management Strategy Evaluation

Evaluación de Estrategias de Ordenación, atunes tropicales en el OPO

- Tropical Tuna Harvest Control Rules / *Reglas de Control* ([Resolution C-16-02](#))
“...MSE is necessary to evaluate the HCR (...) and alternatives (...) to allow the Commission to adopt a permanent HCR”
“...EEO es necesaria para evaluar la RCE (...) y alternativas (...) para permitir a la Comisión adoptar una RCE permanente”
- Workshops Terms of Reference / *Términos de referencia de talleres* ([Resolution C-19-07](#))
- SAC-12 Recs. supports staff's MSE workplan/*Apoyo del SAC a plan de EEO*
- 5-year (2018-2023) IATTC staff MSE Workplan/ *Plan de EEO, 2018-2023* ([SAC-12-01](#))
- Workshops (2015-2021), 1st and 2nd IATTC MSE WS / *Talleres previos* ([WSMSE-1](#); [WSMSE-2](#))
- 2021-2023 MSE funding from the European Union
2021-2023, financiación de la Unión Europea para trabajo de EEO
 - Two components/ *Dos componentes*:
 - Consultative/dialogue process (e.g. series of MSE workshops)/ *Proceso de diálogo (ej. serie de talleres)*
 - Technical implementation of MSE / *Implementación técnica de la EEO*



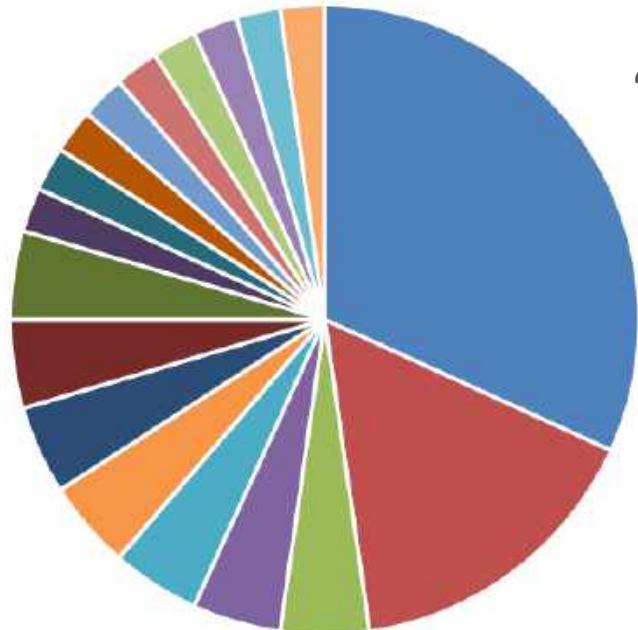
Where we are, where we are going? Stakeholder roles ¿Donde estamos, hacia donde vamos? Roles de partes interadas



[1st MSE Workshop report link](#)

44 participants / *participantes*

Participant's affiliation / *Afiliación de participantes*

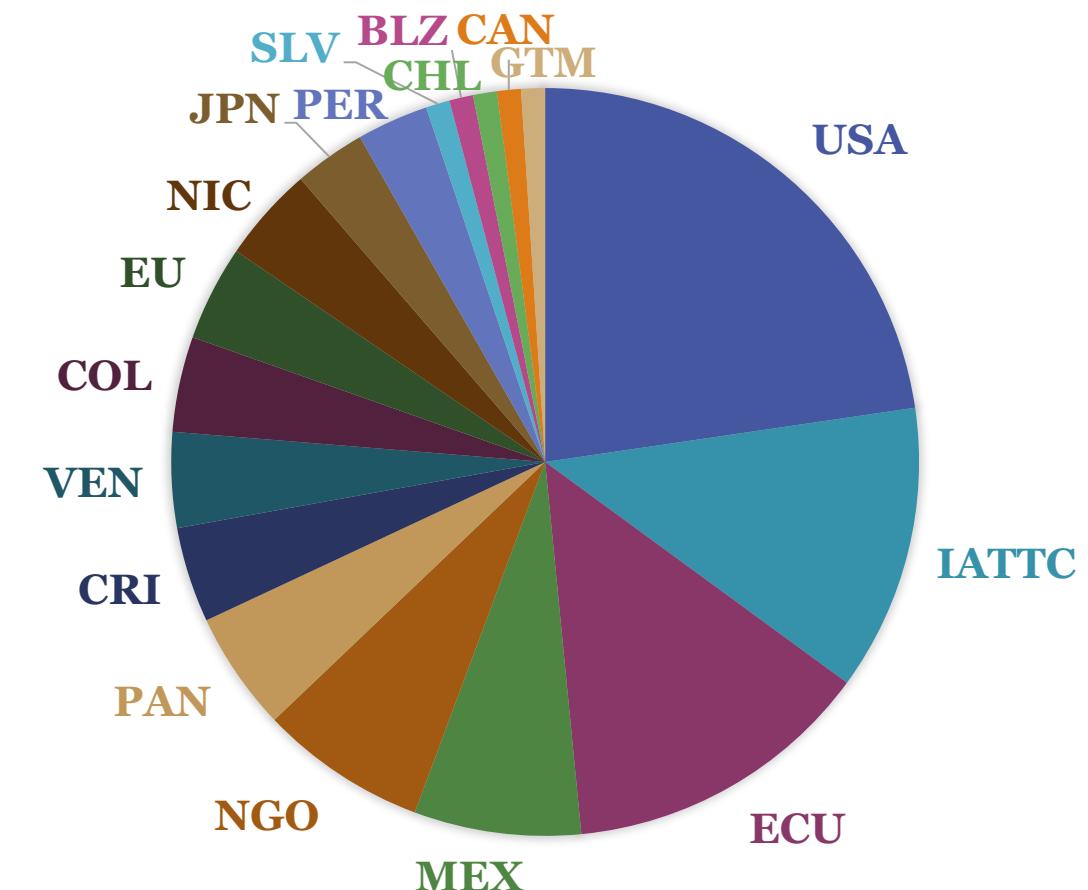


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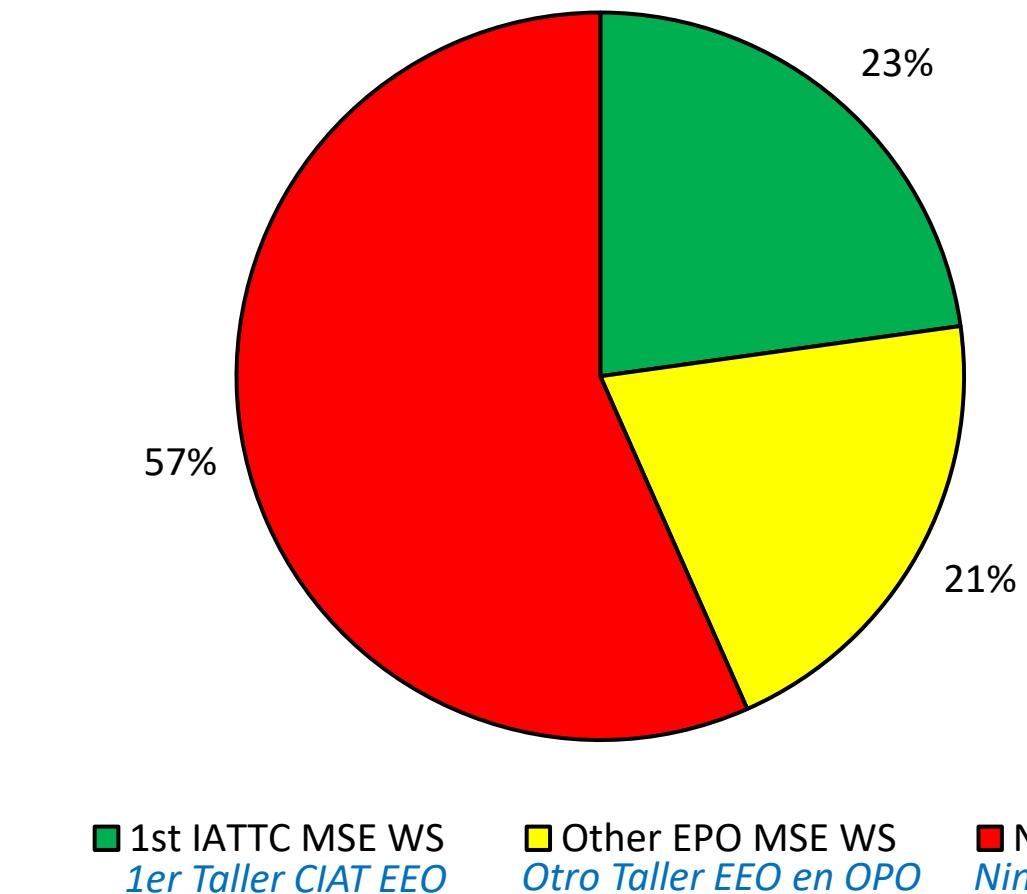
[2nd MSE Workshop report link](#)

97 participants / *participantes*



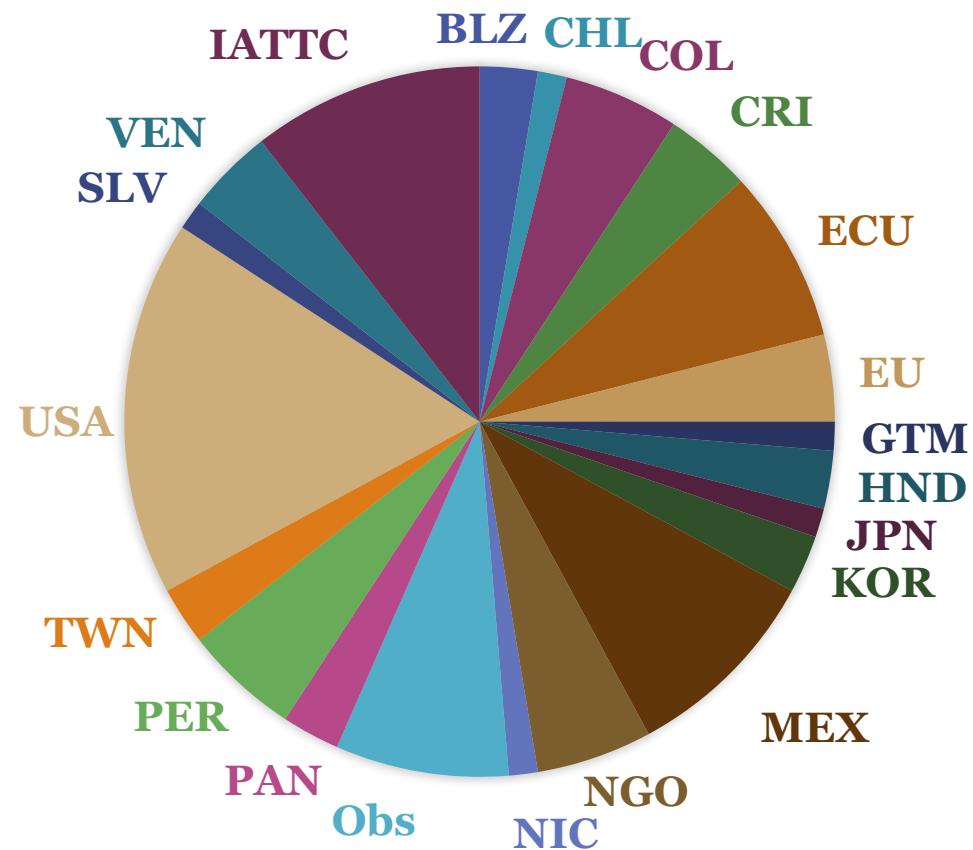
Previous EPO Tropical tuna MSE workshops

Previos talleres EEO atunes tropicales en OPO



3rd IATTC Tropical Tuna MSE Workshop, December 2022, participants 3^{er} Taller CIAT sobre EEO, Diciembre 2022, participantes

80 participants / *participantes*



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1st IATTC MSE Workshop, December 2019

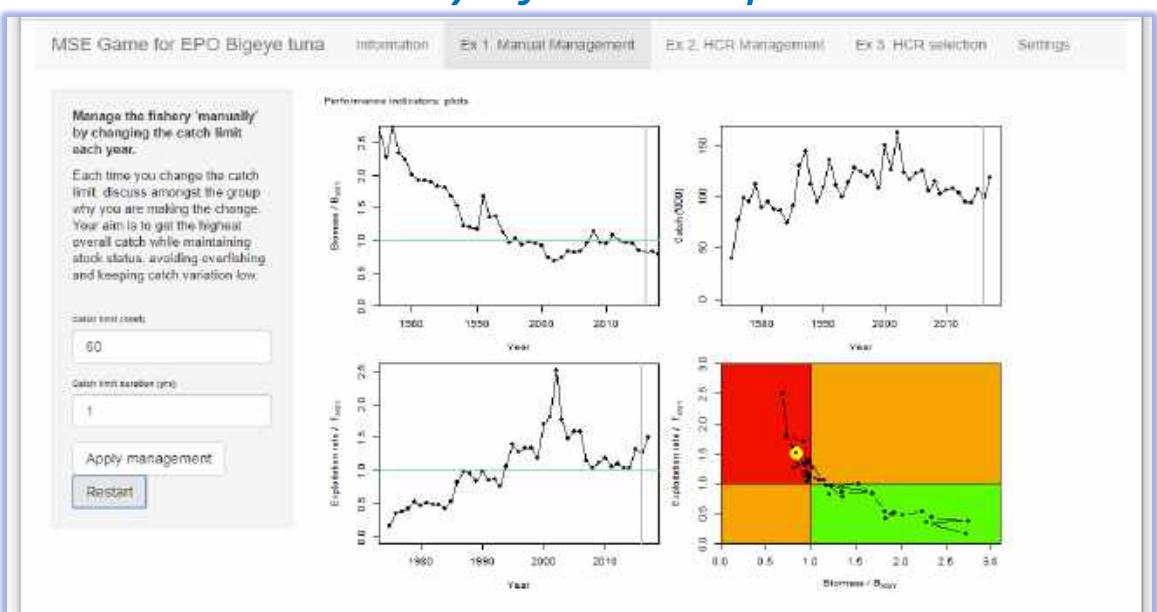
1^{er} Taller CIAT sobre EEO, Diciembre 2019

Presentations, dialogue and discussions

Presentaciones, diálogo y discusiones



Demos and hands-on exercises
Demostraciones y ejercicios prácticos



Online questionnaires
Cuestionarios en línea



EPO Tropical Tuna Workshop
Questionnaire / Cuestionario de Taller
Atunes Tropicales del OPO

* Required

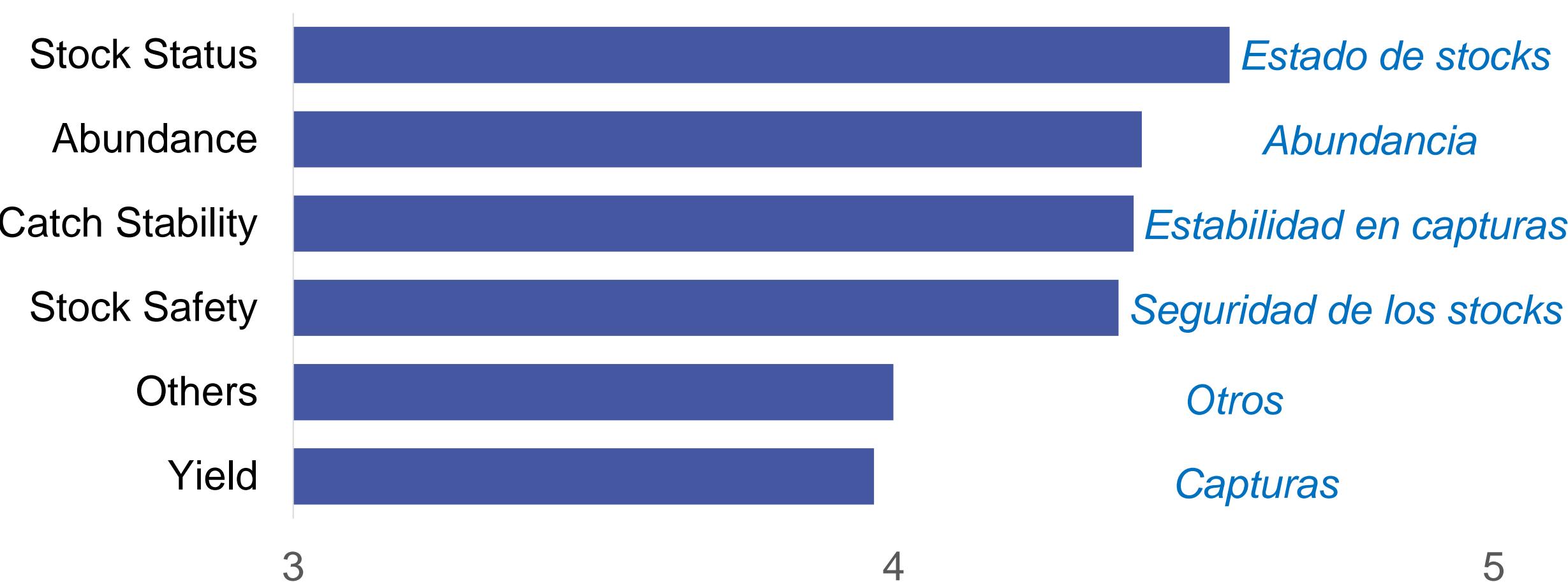
What types of objectives are important to you? Que tipos de Objetivos son importantes para usted?

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What types of objectives are important to you? *¿Que tipos de objetivos son importantes?*



2nd IATTC MSE Workshop, April-May 2021

2^{do} Taller CIAT sobre EEO, Abril-Mayo 2021

Presentations, dialogue and discussions

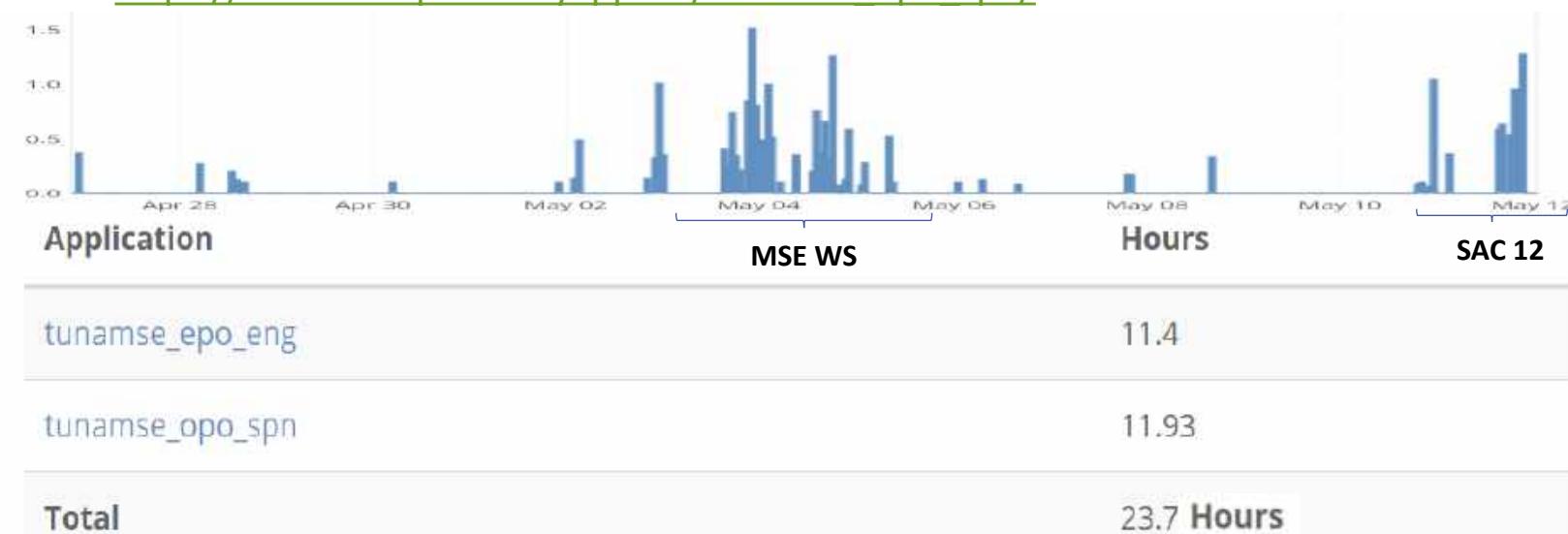
Presentaciones, diálogo y discusiones



Demos and online available Shiny App https://valeromaspez.shinyapps.io/tunamse_epo_eng/

Demos y Shiny App disponible en linea https://valeromaspez.shinyapps.io/tunamse_opo_spn/

A screenshot of a web-based application titled 'MSE Game for EPO Bigeye tuna'. The top navigation bar includes links for 'Introduction', 'EPO Manual Management', 'EPO HCR Selection', 'Settings', and 'Help'. Below the navigation is a large image of a bigeye tuna. The URL in the address bar is https://valeromaspez.shinyapps.io/tunamse_spn_eng/.



Example Toy Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE)

- Objectives (in progress) / *Objetivos (en progreso)*

Maintain stocks at healthy levels in the green sector of the Kobe plot with a 50% probability

Mantener poblaciones saludables en el sector verde de Kobe con 50% de probabilidad

Maintain viable fisheries in the long term (CPUE, all fisheries)

Mantener pesquerías viables en el largo plazo (CPUE, todas las pesquerías)

Maintain low annual variability of allowed catch (less than 20%) or effort (less than 10%)

Mantener baja variabilidad anual límites de captura (menos de 20%) o esfuerzo (menos de 10%)

-Gradual changes in management actions, consider asymmetry for precautionary reasons

Cambios graduales en acciones de ordenación, considerar asimetría precautoria

-Consider different lengths of management cycles

Considerar ciclos de manejo con distinta duración temporal

- Reference Points (in progress) / *Puntos de Referencia (en progreso)*

Dynamic targets *Fishing mortality (F)* and *Biomass (B)*

Objetivos dinámicos para mortalidad por pesca (F) y biomasa (B)

Equilibrium limits for *F* and *B* (risk not to exceed 10%, alternative limits and risk to evaluate)

Límites en equilibrio para F y B (no exceder 10% riesgo, límites alternativos y riesgo a evaluar)

Combination of reference points for status and control points for triggering actions

Combinación de puntos de referencia para estado y puntos de control para gatillar acciones

- Harvest Control Rules (in progress)/ *Reglas de Control (en progreso)*

Further specification of elements and implementation of current rule (C-16-02)

Especificación adicional de elementos e implementación de la regla actual (C-16-02)

Alternative rules (data-based, model-based), gradual changes instead of current step HCR

Reglas alternativas (basadas en datos, basadas en modelos), graduales vs. regla abrupta actual

Emergency rules

Reglas de emergencia

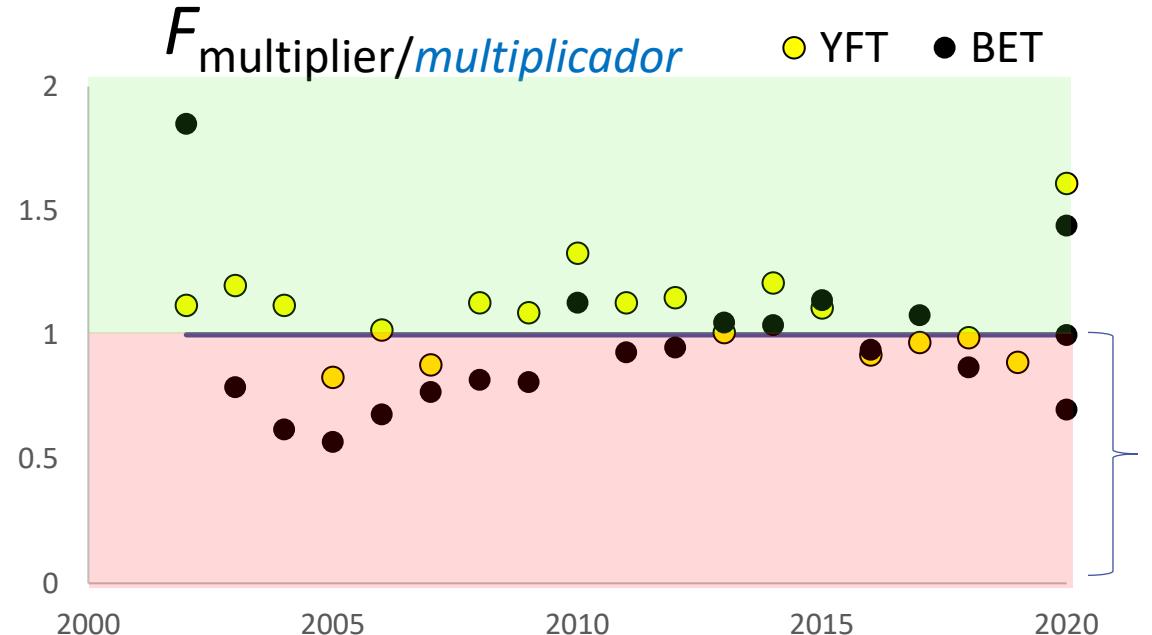
Challenges / Desafíos

- COVID-19 pandemic / *Pandemia de COVID-16*
 - Limitations of virtual workshops, changes to workplan timeline
Pandemia de COVID-16, inhabilidad de tener talleres en persona
- Limited-representation by some CPCs, high turnover of representatives
Representación limitada de algunas CPCs, alto recambio de representantes
- Multiple extraordinary meetings during 2020-2021
Múltiples reuniones extraordinarias durante 2020-2021
- Some challenges expected to ameliorate/*Algunos desafíos se espera que mejoren*
 - COVID pandemic, workplan extended to 2024, conservation measures for 2022 to 2024
Pandemia de COVID, plan de trabajo hasta 2024, medidas de conservación de 2022 a 2024
- Funding for tropical tuna MSE work after 2023 has not been secured yet
Financiación para EEO de atunes tropicales luego de 2023 no está asegurada
 - Work is conducted by contractor with EU funds through the end of 2023
El trabajo es realizado por un contratista con financiación de EU hasta el fin de 2023

Species focus (BET), rationale

Especie de foco inicial (BET), fundamentos

Initial MSE technical focus on BET, moving to other species towards the end of current work plan
Trabajo técnico de EEO inicial en BET, incluyendo otras especies a final de plan de trabajo actual



Historically, BET requires the strictest management
Históricamente, BET requiere el manejo más estricto

- Recent work to improve BET modeling and operating models for MSE
Trabajo reciente para mejorar modelado de BET y modelos operativos para EEO
- Lack of assessment models (or operating models) for SKJ (although recent interim assessment in 2022)
Falta de modelos de evaluación (y modelos operativos) para SKJ (aunque evaluación interina en 2022)
- Need YFT (and SKJ) modeling work to incorporate hypotheses for assessment and operating models
Necesidad de trabajo adicional en modelos de YFT (y SKJ) para evaluación y modelos operativos
- As SKJ and YFT models are developed, they can be included in the MSE work
A medida que modelos de YFT y SKJ son desarrollados, pueden ser incluidos en el trabajo de EEO

Beyond BET MSE

- Multispecies (BET, YFT, SKJ), multi-gear (PS, LL) and fishing modes (FAD, Dolphin, NOA) present several challenges:
 - More difficult to simulate and evaluate
 - Different objectives for different fisheries?
 - Weak stock management? Or each (3 species) individually? or two species?
- Very few truly multispecies MSEs out there, oftentimes they focus on gear interactions (probably the way we should go)
- Need to discuss and plan as part of the next 5-year scientific strategic plan

Initial Species focus, Timeline (REVISED) *Especie de foco inicial, Cronograma (REVISADO)*

DOCUMENT SAC-13-INF-C link

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Expected Timeline and Deliverables / *Cronograma Esperado y Productos*

2021: Workshops to discuss alternative HCRs and refine strategy elements from previous Workshops.

Talleres para discutir reglas de control y refinar otros elementos de talleres previos

SAC-12 and Annual Meeting: Report on revised MSE plan and outcomes of workshops.

SAC-12 y Reunión Anual: Reporte de plan de trabajo revisado de EEO y resultados de talleres

2022: Workshops to show MSE preliminary results, gather feedback, plan additional evaluation work.

Talleres sobre resultados preliminares de EEO, recibir comentarios, planear trabajo adicional de evaluación

SAC-13 and Annual Meeting: Report on revised MSE plan and preliminary results based on outcomes of workshops.

SAC-13 y Reunión Anual: Reporte actualizado de plan de EEO y resultados preliminares basados en inputs de talleres

Technical implementation of MSE, evaluation work / *Implementación técnica de EEO, trabajo de evaluación*

2023: Workshop to show MSE updated results, gather feedback, plan additional evaluation work

Talleres para discutir resultados actualizados de EEO, planear trabajo adicional de evaluación

SAC-14 and AM: Report on revised MSE plan / *SAC-14 y RA: Reporte de plan de EEO*

Technical implementation of revised MSE, evaluation / *Implementación técnica de EEO, trabajo de evaluación*

2024: Workshop to discuss MSE results, plan for other tropical tunas.

Talleres para discutir resultados de EEO y plan para otros atunes tropicales

SAC-15 and Annual Meeting: Report and presentation of MSE results and plan for other tropical tunas.

SAC-15 y Reunión Anual: Reporte y presentación de resultados de EEO y plan para otros atunes tropicales

Presentation of revised MSE results incorporating stakeholder input to IATTC Annual Meeting

Presentación de resultados de EEO incorporando input de partes interesadas en Reunión Anual

IATTC Staff Activities and Research Plan (REVISED) Actividades y Plan de Trabajo del Personal de la CIAT (REVISADO)

MSE tropical tunas – EEO atunes tropicales

[DOCUMENT SAC-13-INF-C link](#)

GREEN: COMPLETED; **BLUE:** FUNDED; **RED:** UNFUNDED, Text ~~struck through~~ indicates completed or terminated projects

| SSP ref. | Target/Project | 2018 | | 2019 | | 2020 | | 2021 | | 2022 | | 2023 | | 2024 | | |
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| | 1. SUSTAINABLE FISHERIES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Goal I: Test harvest strategies using Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| I.1. | Conduct a comprehensive MSE for bigeye tuna and plan MSEs for the other tropical tuna species | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| I.1.a | 1. Stakeholder and technical MSE workshops | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | a. Technical meetings to agree on overall/revised MSE Plan by IATTC staff and collaborators | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | b. Stakeholder workshops on training and communication on MSE development and results | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2. Technical development of MSE, HCR, MP, outputs | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | a. Improve the bigeye assessment for use as spatial OM | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | b. Run preliminary simulations with spatial OM | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | a. Run preliminary MSE based on initial input from managers and stakeholders | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | b. Run final MSE based on revised input from managers and stakeholders | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | c. Present evaluated HCR/MP to Commission, plan work for other tropical tunas | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

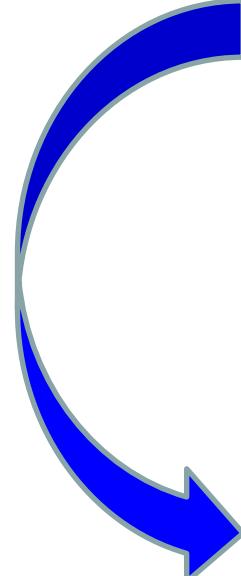
Transition of MSE work to other tropical species (YFT, SKJ) after 2024 to be outlined in the new IATTC Strategic Science Plan (planned in 2023)

Transición a EEO de otros atunes tropicales (YFT, SKJ) en 2024 detallada en el nuevo Plan Estratégico Científico de la CIAT (planeado en 2013)

Funds?
¿Fondos?

Steps in Management Strategy Evaluation

Pasos en Evaluación de Estrategias de Ordenación

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- Define objectives and performance metrics
Definir objetivos y métricas de desempeño
 - Develop candidate management strategies (control rules, etc.)
Desarrollar estrategias de ordenación candidatas (reglas de control, etc)
 - Implement operating models, condition them to historical data
Implementar modelos operativos, condicionarlos a datos históricos
 - Simulation and evaluation of candidate management strategies
Simular y evaluar estrategias de ordenación candidatas
 - Select a management strategy
Seleccionar una estrategia de ordenación
 - Consider implementing the evaluated management strategy
Considerar implementar la estrategia de ordenación evaluada

PROCESS NOT LINEAR!!! / Proceso no lineal!!!
ITERATIVE!!! / Iterativo!!!



Questions? *¿Preguntas?*