

INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION

SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

TENTH MEETING

La Jolla, California (USA)

13-17 May 2019

PROVISIONAL AGENDA (REVISED)

	Documents
1. Opening of the meeting	
2. Adoption of agenda	
3. Research planning:	
a. Staff activities and research work plan	SAC-10-01
4. Review of the implementation of recommendations adopted at previous SAC meetings: progress and outcomes	SAC-10-02
5. The fishery:	
a. The tuna fishery in the EPO in 2018	SAC-10-03
b. National reports	
c. Longline observer program reports	SAC-10-04
d. The fishery on FADs in the EPO	SAC-10-05
6. Stock assessments:	
a. Bigeye tuna: indicators of stock status	SAC-10-06
b. Yellowfin tuna: update stock assessment	SAC-10-07
c. Yellowfin tuna: indicators of stock status	SAC-10-08
d. Skipjack tuna: indicators of stock status	SAC-10-09
e. Updates from ISC Working Groups	
i. Pacific bluefin tuna	
ii. North Pacific albacore tuna	
f. Other species	
7. Modelling:	
a. Improving the bigeye tuna stock assessment (Project H.1.a)	
i. Report of the workshop on age and growth methodologies (Project E.2.b)	
ii. Report of the workshop on longline indices of abundance (Project H.1.d)	
iii. Report of the external review of the bigeye tuna assessment (Project T.1.a)	
iv. Work plan to improve stock assessments of bigeye: update	
b. Relationship between purse-seine vessel characteristics and fishing mortality (Project J.2.a)	SAC-10-10
c. Potential reference points and harvest control rules for dorado in the EPO (Project I.3.a)	SAC-10-11

8. Data collection:	
a. EPO Regional Tagging Tuna Program (Project E.4.a)	
i. Report of the workshop to review proposed activities	
ii. Report on Phase 1	
b. Electronic monitoring of purse-seine vessel activities and catches (Project D.2.a)	SAC-10-12
9. FADs:	
a. Non-entangling and biodegradable FADs (Project M.5.a)	SAC-10-13
b. Report of the joint tuna RFMO Working Group on FADs	
10. Ecosystem and bycatch:	
a. Ecosystem considerations	SAC-10-14
b. Towards standardized ecological indicators for monitoring ecosystem health: an updated ecosystem model of the tropical EPO	SAC-10-15
c. Report of the Working Group on Bycatch	
11. Sharks:	
a. FAO-GEF shark project: progress report	
i. Pilot study for shark fishery sampling program in Central America (Project C.4.a)	SAC-10-16
ii. A long-term shark fishery sampling program in Central America (Project C.4.b)	
b. Purse-seine indicators for silky sharks in the EPO	SAC-10-17
c. Other shark research	
12. Life history:	
a. Review of research at the Achotines Laboratory	SAC-10-18
13. Staff recommendations to the Commission	SAC-10-19
14. SAC recommendations to the Commission	
15. Strengthening and streamlining the IATTC scientific process and the presentation to the Commission of the conclusions and recommendations of the SAC	
16. Other business	
17. Adjournment	