

COMISION INTERAMERICANA DEL ATUN TROPICAL (CIAT) INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION (IATTC)

MEMORANDUM

13 April 2023
Ref.: 0181-410

To: Commissioners and Heads of Delegation

cc.: Bolivia, Chile, Honduras, Indonesia, Liberia

From: Arnulfo Franco, Director, and SAC Chair

Re: 14th annual meeting of the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) and working groups – May 2023 – format of the meeting and additional information

As a follow-up to my previous memorandum ref. 0065-410 dated 14 February 2023, I would like to inform you about an additional arrangement made for the meetings of the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) and associated working groups. This arrangement is intended to facilitate the participation of delegation members who are not permitted to be physically present in the meeting rooms (three individuals in the plenary and potentially fewer in smaller rooms).

All meetings will be broadcast via the Zoom platform, which provides simultaneous interpretation in both English and Spanish. All these other delegation members referred to above will have the opportunity to join the meetings as registered attendees.

Upon request from the head of the delegation or the head representative present in the meeting room, any of these virtual participants may be granted the floor to speak, but only upon such request.

The meetings for the working groups and the Committee will take place at the Embassy Suites Hotel, located at 4550 La Jolla Village Dr., La Jolla, CA 92122. You can contact the hotel at (858) 453-0400. The Commission has arranged a special room rate of US \$229.00 (plus taxes) for single or double occupancy. To reserve a room at this rate, please use the following [Embassy Hotel link](#). The deadline to book rooms at this special rate is April 27.

Registration for the working group and SAC meetings will begin on Thursday, 11th, and Friday, 12th, at 8:30 AM. For those attending only the SAC meeting, registration will start on Monday, 15th, at 8:30 AM. All sessions will begin at 9:00 AM. Any documents related to the meeting that are available beforehand will be posted on the Commission's website.

Please notify the name of your delegation members as soon as possible. In the case of those delegates needing financial support under the “*Special fund for strengthening the institutional capacity of developing countries and territories for the sustainable development of fisheries for highly migratory species*”, please submit the corresponding notification request by 23 April 2023 are at the latest.