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Provisional Agenda

Agenda Item 1. Opening of the Meeting

Agenda Item 2. Adoption of Agenda

Agenda Item 3. Meeting arrangements

Agenda Item 4. Review of reports and recommendations from the Small Scientific Committees (SSC BF-ME and SSC PS) and the Technical Working Group on Chub Mackerel Stock Assessment (TWG CMSA)

- 4.1 Technical Working Group on Chub Mackerel Stock Assessment
- 4.2 SSC on Bottom Fish and Marine Ecosystems
- 4.3 SSC on Pacific Saury

Agenda Item 5. Priority species

- 5.1 Summary of progress on the remaining four priority species
 - 5.1.1 Neon flying squid
 - 5.1.2 Japanese flying squid
 - 5.1.3 Japanese sardine
 - 5.1.4 Spotted mackerel
- 5.2 Development of summary sheets for all priority species
- 5.3 Identification of data needs and data gaps and strategies to fill those gaps

Agenda Item 6. Progress in data collection, management and security

- 6.1 Information management and security regulations
 - 6.1.1 Procedures for sharing code
- 6.2 Data collection
 - 6.2.1 Information about species belonging to same ecosystem or dependent/associated with target stocks

- 6.2.2 Data gaps and needs that could be filled by an observer program
- 6.2.3 Scientific need for electronic monitoring
- 6.3 NPFC data management system (DMS)

Agenda Item 7. Scientific projects for 2022 and 2023

- 7.1 Ongoing/planned projects
- 7.2 New projects
- 7.3 Review and prioritization of projects

Agenda Item 8. Cooperation with other organizations

- 8.1 Reports on the joint NPFC-PICES activities since the SC05 meeting, including a report from PICES Secretariat
- 8.2 Joint PICES-ICES WGSPF, PICES topic session on small pelagic fish (SPF) and PICES-ICES SPF symposium
- 8.3 Joint NPFC-PICES workshop/course on VME indicator identification
- 8.4 SC representation at PICES meetings
- 8.5 NPFC/NPAFC Memorandum of Cooperation and Work Plan
 - 8.5.1 NPFC's participation in the NPAFC's multinational IYS survey in the North Pacific Ocean
 - 8.5.2 Review of the five-year Work Plan to implement NPAFC/NPFC Memorandum of Cooperation
- 8.6 Partnership with the Fisheries and Resources Monitoring System of FAO (FIRMS)
- 8.7 FAO ABNJ Deep-sea fisheries project
- 8.8 FAO-GFW collaboration on AIS
- 8.9 Cooperation with other organizations

Agenda Item 9. 2021-2025 Research Plan and Work Plan

- 9.1 Five-year Research Plan
- 9.2 Five-year Work Plan

Agenda Item 10. Other matters

- 10.1 Review of the Scientific Committee Terms of Reference (TOR)
- 10.2 Selection of SC Chair and vice-Chair
- 10.3 Coordination between SC and TCC
- 10.4 Other issues

Agenda Item 11. Advice and recommendations to the Commission

Agenda Item 12. Next meeting

Agenda Item 13. Press release

Agenda Item 14. Adoption of the Report

Agenda Item 15. Close of the Meeting