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Venue and Dates for the Commission's 68th Meeting (revised)

At IWC67, the Commission was pleased to receive an offer from the Government of Slovenia to host IWC68 in 2020. We are re-confirming the dates of 25 September to 2 October 2020 at the Grand Hotel Bernardin in Portorož and updating the schedule of meetings issued on 2 May 2019. The revised schedule is as follows:

Fri 25 th Sept	09:00-13:00	Budgetary Sub-Committee
	14:00-18:00	Conservation Committee (1)
Sat 26 th Sept	09:00-13:00	Conservation Committee (2)
	14:00-18:00	ASW and WKM&WI
Sun 27 th Sept	09:00-15:00	Finance and Administration
	16:00-18:00	Private Commissioners' Meeting
Mon 28 th – Fri 2 nd Oct	09:00-18:00	Plenary, including Infractions

On behalf of Andrej Bibic, the Chair of IWC, delegations are strongly encouraged to arrive on Thursday 24 September in order to fully participate in Sub-Committees that begin on the morning of the 25 September. This will allow a more informed and effective discussion of the issues on which we will be deliberating during the week of Commission Plenary sessions.

The deadline for *posting* proposed Resolutions or Schedule Amendments is 30 July 2020. In order to ensure adequate time for reviewing, formatting, translating and otherwise preparing these documents for posting on 30 July, the Secretariat requests that all proposals be sent by **15 July 2020.** Also kindly indicate on the proposal whether the document is to be considered as a Resolution or a Schedule Amendment.

We encourage all delegates who require a visa to start their process as early as possible. Further information can be found at https://iwc.int/iwc68.

Additional information regarding meeting logistics (registration, hotel reservations, etc.) and meeting processes will follow in future Circulars and on the above web page. We look forward to seeing you at IWC68.

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