

**Circular Communication to Commissioners and Contracting Governments
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IWC68 arrangements

It is very much hoped that the in-person biennial IWC68 Commission meeting (originally scheduled to take place in Slovenia in September 2020, and then postponed by one year to September 2021) will take place at the Grand Hotel Bernardin in Portorož, Slovenia from 3-10 September 2021.

Fri 3 rd Sept	09:00-13:00	Budgetary Sub-Committee
	14:00-18:00	Conservation Committee (1)
Sat 4 th Sept	09:00-13:00	Conservation Committee (2)
	14:00-15:30	WKM&WI
	16:00-18:00	ASW
Sun 5 th Sept	09:00-15:00	Finance and Administration
	16:00-18:00	Private Commissioners' Meeting
Mon 6 th – Fri 10 th Sept	09:00-18:00	Plenary, including Infractions

The deadline for *posting* proposed Resolutions or Schedule Amendments is **8 July 2021**. In order to ensure adequate time for reviewing, formatting, translating and otherwise preparing these documents for posting on this date, the Secretariat requests that all proposals be sent by **24 June 2021**. Kindly indicate on the proposal whether the document is to be considered as a Resolution or a Schedule Amendment.

We hope to be able to confirm if this meeting will be held in person after the Bureau Meeting in May. The Bureau will assess the latest information on the pandemic from all regions before making a proposal to the Commission on whether it is still practical to proceed as planned. We will inform all Commissioners and Contracting Governments of the proposal directly following the Bureau Meeting.



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