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Launch of updated version of the International Whaling Commission's website

This communication draws attention to the launch of the updated version of the IWC's website which went live on Monday 23 July 2012. A pre-launch version of the website had previously been available for comment during the Commission's 64th Annual Meeting, held between 2-6 July in Panama City.

The website has been updated so as to improve the visual appearance and also increase the ease of navigation between different topics. The website content has in the main part been migrated across from that used in the previous website, although updates have been provided in appropriate places.

In addition, the new website contains the following features:

- A pdf archive of all Chair's reports of Annual and Special meetings from 1955
- A similar archive containing all IWC Annual Reports dating back to the first edition published in 1950
- An archive of Commission Resolutions from 1976 onwards
- An archive of Annual Meeting documents from 2006 onwards. (Extra years will be added in due course).
- Improved access to Commission Circular Communications from the home page

The Secretariat will continue to develop the content of the website over the coming months. Any suggestions for improvement and development, in addition to those already received during the Commission's 64th Annual Meeting are welcome and should be addressed to secretariat@iwcoffice.org

Any users wishing to access the 2012 version of the old website can do so at: http://archive.iwcoffice.org

Versions between 2001 and 2011 can be viewed at: http://wayback.archive.org/web/*/iwcoffice.org

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