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Report of the Scientific Committee 2024

I am pleased to announce the report of the IWC Scientific Committee meeting (SC69B) held in-person from 22 April to 3 May 2024 is now available. The report and its annexes can be downloaded [here](#).

The Scientific Committee was again able to meet in-person in Bled, Slovenia. The meeting was attended by 249 cetacean experts including 98 scientists from 26 member countries, 21 observers, 68 in-person invited participants and 62 invited participants who joined virtually for specific agenda items.

I would like to thank the Scientific Committee Chair, Alex Zerbini, and Vice-Chair, Lindsay Porter, for their leadership and everyone involved in the meeting for their cooperative spirit and commitment to ensuring that the meeting was both productive and inclusive.

The report is to be considered for adoption by the Commission at IWC69, if you have any concerns as to the contents of the report, please contact secretariat@iwc.int by **Monday 24 June**.

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