

**64<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the International Whaling Commission**

**WORKING GROUP ON THE ROLE OF OBSERVERS  
AT MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSION**

16.00 Hrs            Wednesday 27 June 2012

**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

Resolution 2011-1 *inter alia* requested the Secretary to convene a working group of Contracting Governments and observers immediately prior to IWC/64 to consider the role of observers at meetings of the Commission based on experience gained in that regard at IWC/63 in 2011.

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA  
and annotations**

1. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

- 1.1. Appointment of Chair
- 1.2. Appointment of Rapporteurs            [*Simon Brockington is proposed*]
- 1.3. Review of documents

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

3. ROLE OF OBSERVERS AT MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSION

- 3.1. Summary of recent Commission developments regarding the role of Observers

*The Secretary will provide a short summary of recent developments in the Commission's practice as regards Observers, including the developments at IWC/63 in 2011.*

- 3.2. Working group discussion and recommendations

4. ADOPTION OF REPORT