



Circular Communication to Commissioners. Contracting Governments and
Members of the Scientific Committee
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Submission of Scientific Progress Reports

Scientific Progress Reports have their origin in Article VIII, Paragraph 3 of the Convention and are formalised in the Rules of Procedure of the Scientific Committee (Rule E.1).

Accordingly all member nations are requested by the Commission to provide Progress Reports to the Scientific Committee in accordance with its guidelines. These are to be submitted using the online facility (<https://portal.iwc.int>) as agreed at the 2010 meeting of the Scientific Committee and modified in the light of discussions at the 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 meetings. Paper reports will not be accepted this year.

The individual log-in details for submission of data set up last year are still current and can be used again this year. However, if you or your representative have not previously accessed the portal you will need to first register online and then contact brendan.miller@iwc.int, or if you have forgotten your log-in details given last year you can reset your details online.

If your country has not submitted a Progress Report in the last few years please send the following information to brendan.miller@iwc.int

- Country represented
- Full name
- Email address
- Organisation or Department

On receipt of this information, detailed instructions on how to use the online portal will be forwarded.

All data received by the **20 May 2016** will be available for statistical query at the meetings of the Scientific Committee at SC66B in Bled, Slovenia.

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