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Secretariat - Ongoing database hosting by the Secretariat

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PROJECT PROPOSAL REQUEST

1. PROPOSAL TITLE

Ongoing database hosting by Secretariat

2. BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSAL AND ITS EXPECTED OUTCOME

The Committee has strongly advocated the development of an international medium- to long-term research programme involving sighting surveys to provide information for assessment, conservation and management of cetaceans in the North Pacific, including areas that have not been surveyed for decades. Objectives have been developed for the overall plan and requested funding will allow for the continuing work of the initial phase and progress on developing the medium-term phase. The amount of money is extremely small when seen in the context of Japan providing the vessel and associated costs for two years as it has in the past. The IWC contribution is for: (1) IWC researchers and equipment; (2) to allow the Committee's Technical Advisory Group to meet to review the multi-year results thus far and develop the plans for the next phase of POWER based on the results obtained from Phase I; and (3) to enable analyses to be completed prior to the 2020 Annual Meeting.

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3. RELEVANT IWC SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE GROUPS OR SUB-GROUPS

IWC databases are used by all sub-committees.

4. TYPE OF PROJECT (PLEASE TICK)

Research project	
Modelling	
Workshop/meeting	
Database creation/maintenance	£6000 (£500 per month)
Compilation work/editing (e.g. on whalewatching regulations, SOCER, etc.)	
Other (please specify below)	

5. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSAL AND ITS CONNECTION WITH SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS (DO NOT EXCEED 1500 WORDS)

(A) BACKGROUND, RATIONALE, AND RELEVANCE TO THE PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED BY THE IWC SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE:
<p><i>This is a long-term plan that has international collaboration and provides important data relevant to conservation and management of cetaceans in the North Pacific. The data contribute to the work of the Scientific Committee under many sub-committees. It is designed by the Committee itself and is a formal IWC long-term programme. The reports and planning meetings for the programme are available online</i></p> <p>The IWC Secretariat hosts several databases for the SC. These have annual service costs associated with them including, web/database servers, storage, backups, software licences and other associated infrastructure or costs.</p>
(B) SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES OR TOR AND DELIVERABLES/OUTCOMES:
Ongoing hosting of SC databases
(C) METHODOLOGICAL APPROACH/WORK PLAN/ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
(D) SUGGESTIONS FOR OUTREACH

6. TIMETABLE FOR ACTIVITIES AND OUTPUTS

Specify the timetable for project activities and expected outputs separately. For projects with multiple distinct elements please indicate interim goals and timeframes. Add as many rows as you need to the tables below. If publications are an expected output please note whether you will submit the manuscript to the IWC's Journal of Cetacean Research and Management.

Activity to be undertaken	Key person(s)	Start(mm/yy)	Finish (mm/yy)
Ongoing hosting	Secretariat	Ongoing	ongoing

Expected outputs	Completion date (mm/yy)
Database hosting	ongoing

7. RESEARCHERS' (OR STEERING GROUP) NAME(S) AND AFFILIATION

Please, also specify if the project team has any direct connection (e.g. same research group or institute, collaborator on common project) with people involved or likely to be involved in taking the funding decision (e.g. IWC SC heads of delegations, SC convenors, etc.). Add as many rows as you need to the table below.

Name	Affiliation	Connection with decision
IT dept	Secretariat	Infrastructure, admin and maintenance

8. TOTAL BUDGET

Breakdown into: (1) salaries/wages (include name/position of each individual and breakdown of time and duties i; (2) travel/subsistence expenses (breakdown by person and justification) unless for IPs for workshops where a total estimate based on an average for the total number of IPs is acceptable; (3) services (e.g. aircraft/vessel time, consultancy fees, ARGOS fees, etc.); (4) reusable capital equipment (e.g. reusable equipment such as a hydrophone, cameras, etc. Note that this equipment will have to be registered at the IWC Secretariat and will remain property of the IWC at the end of the project), (5) expendable capital equipment (e.g. consumables, tags, stationery), (6) shipping costs, (7) insurance costs, (8) in kind co-funding (specify whether other funding is available for personnel/name, equipment, venues, etc.). Note that "Overheads" are not admissible. Add as many rows as you need to the table below.

Type	Detailed description	Cost in GBP (2021)
(1) Salaries (by person)		
(2) Travel/subsistence (by person or est. total for IPs)		
(3) Services (by item)	Database hosting costs	£6000
(4) Reusable equipment		
(5) Consumables		
(6) Shipping (by Item)		
(7) Insurance (by item)		
(8) Co-funding		
(9) Other		
Total		£6000

We request a reallocation of funds leftover from previous database projects to part-fund this proposal.

£2,024 Ship strikes database development

£1,747 Progress reports database development

Thus, only £2,229 is requested from the 2020 budget

9. DATA ARCHIVING/SHARING

All data archived at the IWC Secretariat