

69th Meeting of the International Whaling Commission

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

16.00-17.30 Hrs	Monday 2 September 2024 Online
14.00-15.30, 16.00-17.30 Hrs	Tuesday 3 September 2024 Online
14.00-15.30, 16.00-17.30 Hrs	Wednesday 4 September 2024 Online
14.00-15.30 Hrs	Thursday 5 September 2024 Online

DRAFT AGENDA

1. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS
 - 1.1 Appointment of Chair
 - 1.2 Appointment of Rapporteurs
 - 1.3 Review of Documents
 - 1.4 Observer Participation
2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
3. CONSERVATION COMMITTEE STRATEGIC PLAN AND WORKPLAN
 - 3.1 Conservation Committee and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework
 - 3.2 Conservation Committee and the International treaty on Sustainable use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ)
 - 3.3 Updates to the Strategic Plan
 - 3.4 Progress on the 2022-2026 Workplan
 - 3.5 Revision of all CC topic Terms of Reference
4. STRATEGIC ISSUES FOR THE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
 - 4.1 Working Methods of the Conservation Committee
 - 4.2 Voluntary Conservation Reports
 - 4.2.1 Contracting member reports
 - 4.2.2 Update on the development of the Conservation Database
5. JOINT WORKING GROUP OF THE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE AND THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE
 - 5.1. Topics to highlight from the last meetings including recommendations directed to the Conservation Committee (2023, 2024)
 - 5.2. Database of Recommendations
 - 5.2.1. Review of implementation of recommendations and agree recommendations to close
6. WHALE SANCTUARIES
 - 6.1. Outcomes of the Review of the Southern Ocean Sanctuary and contiguous Indian Ocean Sanctuary

7. BYCATCH
 - 7.1. Report from the Bycatch Standing Working Group
 - 7.1.1. Progress of the Bycatch Mitigation Initiative workplan
 - 7.1.2. Engagement with RFMOs
 - 7.2. Report from the Scientific Committee
8. WHALE WATCHING
 - 8.1. Report from the Standing Working Group on Whale Watching
 - 8.1.1. Update on the Whale Watching Handbook
 - 8.1.2. Workplan, particularly promotion and communication of the Whale Watching Handbook
 - 8.1.3. Review of the Strategic Plan and WW outputs
 - 8.2. Report from the Scientific Committee
9. CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT PLANS
 - 9.1. Report from the Standing Working Group for Conservation Management Plans
 - 9.1.1. CMP Workplan 2024-2026
 - 9.1.2. Handbook for CMPs
 - 9.1.3. Report from the Scientific Committee
 - 9.2. Progress on current CMPs
 - 9.2.1. Western Pacific Gray whale CMP
 - 9.2.2. Southwest Atlantic Southern Right Whale CMP
 - 9.2.3. Southeast Pacific Southern Right Whale CMP
 - 9.2.4. Franciscana CMP
 - 9.2.5. South American River Dolphins CMP
 - 9.3. Priority species for future CMPs
 - 9.3.1. Arabian Sea humpback whales
 - 9.3.2. Central American humpback whales
 - 9.3.3. Mediterranean fin whales
 - 9.3.4. Mediterranean sperm whales
 - 9.3.5. Asian River dolphins
 - 9.3.6. Lahille's dolphins
 - 9.3.7. Guiana dolphins
 - 9.3.8. Populations requiring further research
10. SHIP STRIKES
 - 10.1. Report from the Ship Strikes Working Group
 - 10.1.1. Progress on the Ship Strikes workplan
 - 10.2. Report from the Scientific Committee

11. MARINE DEBRIS
 - 11.1. Report from the Joint CC/SC Marine Debris Correspondence Group
 - 11.2. Progress on Marine Plastic Pollution Resolution (2022-1)
12. OTHER WORK PROGRAMMES FOR THE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
 - 12.1. Anthropogenic Underwater Noise
 - 12.1.1. Report from the Intersessional Correspondence Group
 - 12.1.2. Report from the Scientific Committee
 - 12.2. Climate Change
 - 12.2.1. Report from the Joint CC/SC Correspondence Group
 - 12.3. Chemical Pollution
 - 12.3.1. Report from the Scientific Committee
 - 12.3.2. Discussion of future steps
13. CETACEANS AND ECOSYSTEM FUNCTIONING
 - 13.1. Report from the Working Group on Cetaceans and Ecosystem Functioning
 - 13.2. Report from the Scientific Committee
14. SMALL CETACEANS
 - 14.1. Report from the Voluntary Fund for Small Cetacean Conservation Research
 - 14.2. Small Cetacean Task Teams
15. SPECIES OR POPULATIONS OF URGENT OR EMERGING CONCERN
 - 15.1. Outcomes of the first Extinction Alert
 - 15.2. Report from the Intersessional group on developing recommendations for how challenges to conservation efforts maybe overcome and made more effective
 - 15.3. Report from the Scientific Committee
 - 15.4. Discussion of future work
16. ENGAGEMENT WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS
17. FUNDING
 - 17.1. Funding opportunities
 - 17.1.1. Report on IWC fundraising
 - 17.2. Report from the Voluntary Conservation Fund
 - 17.2.1. Update on contributions and funding
 - 17.2.2. Update from the Secretariat on fundraising activities
18. CONSERVATION COMMITTEE OFFICERS
19. ADOPTION OF REPORT