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Annex B

Agenda

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 - 1.4 Establishment of sub-committees and Working Groups
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 - 3.3.3 Progress on programme verification projects
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 - 4.2 Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna (CITES)
 - 4.3 Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species (CMS)
 - 4.3.1 Scientific Council
 - 4.3.2 Conference of Parties (COP)
 - 4.3.3 Agreement on Small Cetaceans of the Baltic and North Seas (ASCOBANS)
 - 4.3.4 Agreement on the Conservation of Cetaceans of the Black Sea, Mediterranean Sea and Contiguous Atlantic Area (ACCOBAMS)
 - 4.3.5 Other
 - 4.4 Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO)
 - 4.5 Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC)
 - 4.6 Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Program (AIDCP)
 - 4.7 International Committee on Marine Protected Areas (ICMMPA)
 - 4.8 International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES)
 - 4.9 International Maritime Organization (IMO)
 - 4.10 International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
 - 4.11 North Atlantic Marine Mammal Commission (NAMMCO)
 - 4.12 North Pacific Marine Science Organisation (PICES)
 - 4.13 Protocol on Specially Protected Areas and Wildlife of the Cartagena Convention for the Wider Caribbean (SPAW)
 - 4.14 Other organisations
5. Revised Management Procedure (RMP) – general issues
 - 5.1 Finalise the approach for evaluating proposed amendments to the *CLA*
 - 5.2 Evaluate the Norwegian proposal for amending the *CLA*
 - 5.3 Other computing matters related to the *CLA*
 - 5.4 Update 'Requirements and Guidelines for conducting surveys and *Implementations*'
 - 5.4.1 Model-based estimates
 - 5.4.2 Changing survey coverage in time series of estimates
 - 5.4.3 Use of surveys in different months
 - 5.5 Imbalanced sex ratio in incidental catches
 - 5.6 Work plan
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 - 6.1 North Pacific common minke whales (additional work from completed *Implementation Review*)
 - 6.1.1 Review of intersessional work
 - 6.1.2 Recommendations
 - 6.2 North Atlantic fin whales (*Implementation Review*)
 - 6.2.1 Report of intersessional Workshop
 - 6.2.2 Consideration of available results
 - 6.2.3 Beginning preparations for a basin-wide stock structure study
 - 6.2.4 Recommendations
 - 6.3 North Atlantic common minke whales (*Implementation Review*)
 - 6.3.1 Review report of AWMP/RMP Workshop on stock structure
 - 6.3.2 *Implementation Review*
 - 6.3.3 Recommendations
 - 6.4 North Atlantic sei whales
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 - 6.4.2 Recommendations
 - 6.5 Western North Pacific Bryde's whales
 - 6.5.1 Prepare for 2016 *Implementation Review*
 - 6.5.2 Recommendations
 - 6.6 Work plan
7. Non-deliberate human-induced mortality of large whales
 - 7.1 Entanglement of large whales
 - 7.1.1 Estimation of rates of entanglement, risks of entanglement and mortality
 - 7.1.2 Collaboration with the Commission's Humane Killing and Animal Welfare Methods Working Group, including consideration of mitigation measures and future work
 - 7.2 Ship strikes
 - 7.4.1 Progress on the global database
 - 7.4.2 Estimating rates of ship strikes, risk of ship strikes and mortality

- 7.4.3 Collaboration with the Commission's Ship Strikes Working Group including consideration of mitigation measures and future work
 - 7.3 Marine debris
 - 7.4 Other issues including mortality from acoustic sources
 - 7.5 Development of five-year plan for Committee's priority work
 - 7.6 Work plan
- 8. Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Management Procedure (AWMP)
 - 8.1 Progress on *SLA* development for the Greenlandic hunts
 - 8.2 New information related to conversion factors for edible products for Greenland fisheries
 - 8.3 Implications of gray whale rangewide Workshop for the AWMP
 - 8.4 Aboriginal Whaling Management Scheme
 - 8.5 Work plan
- 9. Aboriginal subsistence whaling management advice
 - 9.1 E Canada and W Greenland bowhead whales
 - 9.1.1 Stock structure and abundance
 - 9.1.2 Review recent catch information
 - 9.1.3 Management advice
 - 9.2 Eastern North Pacific gray whales
 - 9.2.1 New information including report of the rangewide Workshop
 - 9.2.2 Review of recent catch information
 - 9.2.3 Management advice
 - 9.3 Bering-Chukchi-Beaufort Seas bowhead whale
 - 9.3.1 New information
 - 9.3.2 Management advice
 - 9.4 Common minke whale stocks off Greenland
 - 9.4.1 New information
 - 9.4.2 Management advice
 - 9.5 Fin whales off West Greenland
 - 9.5.1 New information
 - 9.5.2 Management advice
 - 9.6 Humpback whales off West Greenland
 - 9.6.1 New information
 - 9.6.2 Management advice
 - 9.7 Humpback whales off St. Vincent and The Grenadines
 - 9.7.1 New information
 - 9.7.2 Management advice
 - 9.8 Work plan
- 10. Whale stocks
 - 10.1 Antarctic minke whales
 - 10.1.1 Consideration of factors that may drive Antarctic minke whale distribution and abundance
 - 10.1.2 Apply statistical catch-at-age models
 - 10.1.3 Work plan
 - 10.2 Southern Hemisphere humpback whales
 - 10.2.1 Review results of assessment of Breeding Stocks D, E and F
 - 10.2.2 Review new information on other breeding stocks
 - 10.2.3 Work plan
 - 10.3 Southern Hemisphere blue whales
 - 10.3.1 Review new information
 - 10.3.2 Work plan
- 10.4 Distribution of baleen and toothed whales in the Antarctic relative to spatial and environmental covariates
 - 10.4.1 Review new information
 - 10.4.2 Work plan
- 10.5 North Pacific sei whale in-depth assessment
 - 10.5.1 Complete preparations for the in-depth assessment
 - 10.5.2 Work plan
- 10.6 North Pacific gray whales
 - 10.6.1 Review report of intersessional Workshop
 - 10.6.2 Review new information
 - 10.6.3 Conservation advice
 - 10.6.4 Work plan
- 10.7 Southern Hemisphere right whales
 - 10.7.1 Review report of intersessional Workshop on the problem of kelp gulls
 - 10.7.2 Review new information
 - 10.7.3 Work plan
- 10.8 North Atlantic right whales
 - 10.8.1 Review new information
 - 10.8.2 Work plan
- 10.9 North Pacific right whales
 - 10.9.1 Review new information
 - 10.9.2 Work plan
- 10.10 North Atlantic bowhead whales
 - 10.10.1 Review new information
 - 10.10.2 Work plan
- 10.11 Okhotsk Sea bowhead whales
 - 10.11.1 Review new information
 - 10.11.2 Work plan
- 10.12 Arabian Sea humpback whales
 - 10.12.1 Review new information
 - 10.12.2 Progress toward the development of a Conservation Management Plan
 - 10.12.3 Work plan
- 10.13 International cruises
 - 10.13.1 IWC-POWER cruises in the North Pacific
 - 10.13.2 Review of 2013 IWC-POWER sighting survey
 - 10.13.3 Review planning meeting report for 2014 cruise
 - 10.13.4 Recommendations for 2015 cruise
 - 10.13.5 Mid- and long-term recommendations for the IWC-POWER cruises
 - 10.13.6 IWC-SOWER cruises (progress on website, publications, analyses)
 - 10.13.7 Other cruises
- 10.14 Sperm whales
 - 10.14.1 Review new information
 - 10.14.2 Work plan
- 10.15 Other
- 11. Stock definition
 - 11.1 Guidelines for genetic studies and DNA data quality
 - 11.2 Statistical and genetic issues related to stock structure matters faced by the Committee
 - 11.3 Terminology appropriate to stock definition and unit-to-serve
 - 11.4 Testing of spatial stock structure models
 - 11.5 Work plan

12. Environmental concerns
 - 12.1 State of the Cetacean Environment Report (SOCER)
 - 12.2 Pollution (including POLLUTION 2020)
 - 12.3 Cetacean Emerging and Resurging Diseases (CERD) and mortality events
 - 12.4 Effects of anthropogenic sound on cetaceans and approaches to mitigate these effects (including review of IWC/IQOE Workshop Report)
 - 12.5 Effects of climate change on cetaceans (including review of Arctic impact Workshop report)
 - 12.6 Habitat-related issues (including marine debris)
 - 12.7 Work plan
 13. Ecosystem modelling
 - 13.1 Review ecosystem modelling efforts undertaken outside the IWC
 - 13.1.1 Competition among baleen whales: how can we measure and model it?
 - 13.1.2 Update from CCAMLR's Ecosystem Monitoring and Management Programme (WG-EMM) on krill and its dependent predators
 - 13.2 Explore how ecosystem models contribute to developing scenarios for simulation testing of the RMP
 - 13.3 Review other issues relevant to ecosystem modelling within the Committee
 - 13.3.1 Case studies of the effects of long-term environmental variability on whale populations
 - 13.3.2 Other, if new information is available
 - 13.4 Work plan
 14. Small cetaceans
 - 14.1 Review of selected small cetaceans in the eastern Mediterranean and Red Seas
 - 14.2 Report on the Voluntary Fund for Small Cetacean Conservation Research
 - 14.3 Review progress on previous recommendations
 - 14.4 Review takes of small cetaceans
 - 14.5 Update on proposed joint workshop on monodontids
 - 14.6 Work plan
 15. Whalewatching
 - 15.1 Assess the impact of whalewatching on cetaceans
 - 15.2 Review whalewatching in the Mediterranean and Red Seas
 - 15.3 Progress on Commission's five-year strategic plan including guidelines and regulations
 - 15.4 Report on Oman whalewatching Workshop
 - 15.5 Other issues
 - 15.5.1 Consider information from platforms of opportunity of potential value to the Scientific Committee
 - 15.5.2 Consider emerging whalewatching industries of concern
 - 15.6 Work plan
 16. DNA testing
 - 16.1 Review genetic methods for species, stock and individual identification
 - 16.2 Review results of the 'amendments' of sequences deposited in *GenBank*
 - 16.3 Collection and archiving of tissue samples from catches and bycatches
 - 16.4 Reference databases and standards for diagnostic DNA registries
 - 16.5 Work plan
 17. Scientific permits
 - 17.1 Review report of JARPA II Review Workshop
 - 17.2 Review of results from ongoing permits
 - 17.2.1 JARPN II
 - 17.2.2 JARPA II
 - 17.3 Review of new or continuing proposals
 - 17.3.1 JARPA II
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 - 17.4 Work plan
 18. Whale sanctuaries
 - 18.1 Preparation for the regular review of the Southern Ocean Sanctuary
 - 18.2 South Atlantic Sanctuary proposal
 19. Southern Ocean Research Partnership (SORP)
 20. IWC list of recognised species
 21. Conservation Management Plans
 22. Compilation of agreed abundance estimates
 23. Research and Workshop proposals and results
 - 23.1 Review results from previously funded research proposals
 - 23.2 Review proposals for 2014/15
 24. Committee priorities and initial Agendas for the 2015 and 2016 meetings
 25. Data processing and computing needs for 2014/15
 26. Funding requirements for 2014/15 and 2015/16
 27. Working methods of the Committee
 28. Election of Officers
 29. Publications
 30. Other business
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01. Using baleen whale tag data to inform ecosystem models. Lead researchers: Friedlaender, A.S., de la Mare, W. and Goldbogen, J. 1pp.
02. Proposal to hold a Joint IWC-CCAMLR Workshop on the Development and Application of Multi-Species Models to the Antarctic Marine Ecosystem. Convenor: Currey, M. 3pp.

SC/65b/HIMRP – Research Proposals for HIM Working Group

01. Ship Strikes Database Coordinator. Lead researchers: Panigada, S. and Ritter, F. 2pp.
02. Proposal to hold an IWC Workshop on Preventing the Entanglement of Whales in Fishing Gear. Convenor: Mattila, D. 2pp.

SC/65b/IARP – Research Proposals for IA Sub-Committee

01. IWC-POWER cruises in 2015 and 2016. Lead researcher: Matsuoka, K. (Cruise Leader). 3pp.
02. Assessment modelling for in-depth assessments of Antarctic minke and North Pacific sei whales. Lead researcher: Punt, A.E. 2pp.

SC/65b/RMPRP – Research Proposals for RMP Sub-Committee

01. Proposal for a Workshop to Test Proposed new Guidelines for Evaluating Spatial Model-based and Design-based Abundance Estimates. Convenor: Hedley, S. 3pp.
02. Guidelines for evaluating abundance estimates: diagnostics and testings. Lead researchers: Hedley, S. and Bravington, M. 1pp.

03. Proposal for Workshops to further progress on the *Implementation Reviews* for the North Atlantic minke and fin whales. Convenor: Donovan, G. 2pp.
04. Evaluation of density dependence parameters for inclusion in RMP testing based on energetics modelling. Lead researchers: de la Mare, W. and Andrews-Goff, V. 1pp.
05. Genetic analysis to aid the formulation of plausible stock hypotheses for *pre-Implementation assessment* North Atlantic sei whales. Lead researchers: Palsbøll, P., Pampoulie, C., Palka, D., Robbins, J. and Vikiingsson, G. 1pp.
06. Essential computing support to the Secretariat for RMP. Lead researcher: de Moor, C. 1pp.

SC/65b/SHRP – Research Proposals for SH Sub-Committee

01. Review and synthesis of the Comprehensive Assessment of Southern Hemisphere humpback whales. Lead researcher: Jackson, J. 1pp.
02. Modelling studies to assist the development of future syntheses of assessments of Southern Hemisphere humpback whales and optimised monitoring of these populations. Lead researchers: Butterworth, D.S., Ross-Gillespie, A. and Holloway, S. 2pp.
03. Research Contract 16, Antarctic Humpback Whale Catalogue. Lead researchers: Stevick, P.T., Allen, J.M. and Carlson, C. 2pp.

04. Southern Hemisphere Blue Whale Catalogue 2014/2016. Lead researchers: Galletti, B., Olson, P. and Salgado, C. 2pp.
05. Photo-identification analysis of blue whales from the newly discovered foraging ground in the South Taranaki Bight of New Zealand. Lead researcher: Torres, L. 3pp.
06. Priority research tasks for Arabian Sea humpback whales (ASHW). Lead researchers: Amaral, R., Rosenbaum, H. and Sutaria, D. 6pp.
07. Southern Ocean Research Partnership (IWC-SORP) coordination. Lead researchers: Ball, E.B. and Double, M. 3pp.

SC/65b/SPRP – Research Proposals for Special Permits

01. Proposal to hold an IWC Workshop for the Periodic Review of JARPN II. 2pp.
02. Proposal to hold an IWC Workshop for the Review of Future Japanese Special Permit Research in the Antarctic. 2pp.

SC/65b/WWRP – Research Proposals for WW Sub-Committee

01. Emerging whalewatching industry in Oman. Lead researchers: Baldwin, R., Al Harthi, S., Carlson, C. and Kaufman, G. 2pp.
02. Proposal to hold a Joint Scientific Committee/Conservation Committee Whalewatching Handbook Working Meeting. Convenor: Rojas-Bracho, L. 2pp.