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St Lucia	29/06/81	Hon. J. Compton-Antoine	23/01/12
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Slovenia	20/09/06	Mr. A. Bibič	20/01/10
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UK	10/11/48	Mr. N. Gooding	01/03/12
Uruguay	27/09/07	Dr. C. Rodriguez Brianza	30/06/15
USA	10/11/48	Mr R.F. Smith III	09/09/14

Dr. S. Brockington, Executive Secretary to the Commission, January 2016



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## Preface

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In light of the decision of the International Whaling Commission to move to biennial meetings, the previous series 'Annual Report of the International Whaling Commission' (ISSN: 1561-0721) has been discontinued and replaced by this new electronic, online free access biennial series 'Report of the Meeting of the International Whaling Commission' (<https://archive.iwc.int/?c=24440>). The series will contain the Chair's report of the biennial meeting, including the reports of all associated Committees<sup>1</sup>, sub-committees and working groups. In addition, it will contain the reports of: (a) any 'in-person' Bureau meetings; and (b) technical workshops and other intersessional meetings that are held in the two-year period prior to the biennial meeting concerned. As in the previous Annual Report series, this series will also contain the text of the Convention and its Protocol, and the latest versions of the Schedule to the Convention and the Rules of Procedure and Financial Regulations.

This, the Report of the 65<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the International Whaling Commission, relates to the biennial meeting held in Portorož, Slovenia in September 2014. It also contains the reports of the following workshops:

- (1) the Report of the IWC Workshop on Impacts of Increased Marine Activities on Cetaceans in the Arctic held in March 2014 in Anchorage, Alaska;
- (2) the Report of the Whale Watch Operators' Workshop held in May 2013 in Brisbane, Australia;
- (3) the Report of the IWC Workshop on Euthanasia Protocols to Optimise Welfare Concerns for Stranded Cetaceans held in September 2013 in London, UK;
- (4) the Report of the Joint IWC-SPAW Workshop to Address Collisions Between Marine Mammals and Ships with a Focus on the Wider Caribbean held in June 2014 in Gamboa, Panama;
- (5) the Report of the IWC Workshop on Mitigation and Management of Threats Posed by Marine Debris to Cetaceans held in August 2014 in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA;
- (6) the Report of the 2013 Standing Working Group on Conservation Management Plans held in May 2013 in Brisbane, Australia; and
- (7) the Report of the 2014 Standing Working Group on Conservation Management Plans: Progress on the Development and Implementation of CMPs held in September 2014 in Portorož, Slovenia.

At the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, the Commission agreed to move from annual to biennial meetings; thus this new report covers work from the two-year period 2013-14. The next meeting of the Commission will take place in October 2016. Information can be found on our website at <http://www.iwc.int>.

The cover photograph shows an aerial view of Portorož taken during a scientific survey of the Adriatic Sea in July 2013.

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<sup>1</sup>The Reports of the Scientific Committee, which continues to meet annually, remain published as a supplement to the *Journal of Cetacean Research and Management* (<https://archive.iwc.int/?c=29>).



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