

FOURTH TUNA DATA WORKSHOP (TDW-4)

26–30 April 2010
Noumea, New Caledonia

ANNOTATED AGENDA

Monday 26th April 2010

AGENDA ITEM 1 OPENING OF THE WORKSHOP

- 1.1 Welcome address**
- 1.2 Adoption of agenda**
- 1.3 Workshop arrangements**

AGENDA ITEM 2 REVIEW OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM TDW-3

AGENDA ITEM 3 NATIONAL REPORTS ON THE STATUS OF TUNA FISHERY DATA COLLECTION, MANAGEMENT AND DISSEMINATION

Agenda Item 3.1 National Reports Presentations

Participants will be asked to update their **national report** produced from TDW-2 and TDW-3 prior to the meeting. The national report is a valuable source of current information that is used to plan training courses and attachments, and used to identify where resources may be lacking in your country and thereby where funds may need to be sought and applied. Two new sections have been added to the National report and we will contact further providing specific details.

Participants will also be asked to review their National data collection/management **responsibilities matrix** and bring them to the meeting. Their responsibilities matrix document will be used in an exercise during this session.

Participants will be encouraged to provide a brief presentation during this agenda item.

In plenary, Participants will be asked ...

- .. to describe THREE IMPORTANT ISSUES/EVENTS with respect to data collection/management systems over the past year in your country ... For example, (i) specific improvements in systems, (ii) any new stumbling blocks, (iii) changes to resources for data collection/management, (iv) introduction of special legal provision of data which has had an effect, etc..
- What is the progress with the NATIONAL PROCEDURES documents ?
- SPC and FFA will also highlight the THREE IMPORTANT ISSUES from their perspective

MAIN OUTCOMES: Synthesis of a list of common points from national reports and presentations, perhaps highlighting the main areas for attention, but providing SPC with an invaluable resource to plan training and review of where resources are required in each country. Discussion may provide some ideas on how to resolve any problems. A revised responsibility matrix for each country will also be an output.

Monday/Tuesday 26–27 April 2010

AGENDA ITEM 4 PREPARATION OF ANNUAL TUNA CATCH ESTIMATES

A brief presentation in plenary will cover the following items :

- Review of the timeliness of provision of 2008 estimates before 30 April 2009
- Review of the progress towards the provision of 2009 estimates before 30 April 2010
- Questions that each country will expect to be asked ...
 - What is the status of in preparing this year's estimates
 - What are the problems ?

EXERCISE – Participants will be provided with the template for completing the ANNUAL CATCH ESTIMATES 2009 for their fleets and will be allocated time to advance the preparation of annual catch estimates during the week, with support provided by the OFP.

MAIN OUTCOMES : Participants will have hopefully submitted their annual catch estimates by the end of the TDW-4.

AGENDA ITEM 5 PREPARATION OF SC NATIONAL FISHERIES REPORTS

A introductory presentation used during TDW-3 will be provided including the following :

- Background and purpose of the SC National Fisheries Report
- Guidelines for the structure of the report
- What data summaries are required ?
- A description of the template for producing data summaries for NFRs
- Where to get the data ?
- Schedule for ensuring data is available on time !
- What are the potential problems ?

Questions that each country will expect to be asked ...

- What is the status of in preparing this year's SC National Fisheries Report
- Will their data processing be completed in time to produce their report
- What assistance will each country require from SPC to prepare their reports
- What are the problems ?

EXERCISE – Participants will be asked to produce a schedule for the lead-up and production of their SC national report. Time will be allocated during the week for participants that have completed their annual catch estimates can start to produce their SC National Report, if they wish.

SPC Staff will be on hand to assist participants and the latest version of CES and data will be provided.

MAIN OUTCOMES : Participants will have a basic plan for ensuring the data required for their national report will be available. Some participants would have started to produce the data summaries for inclusion in their SC National Fisheries Reports.

Tuesday/Wednesday 27-28 April 2010

AGENDA ITEM 6 SOME CURRENT ISSUES IN DATA COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT

The workshop will review several current issues in data collection and management that have some importance in the region. There will be a brief presentation introducing each topic/issue, then discussion in plenary. Where relevant, group exercise sessions may be arranged following plenary discussion.

Agenda Item 6.1 Consequences of recent WCPFC decisions related to data

This agenda item will briefly look at any recent WCPFC decisions related to data and how it will affect the work of member countries and the SPC. For example, the need to collect shark data at the species level (key shark species).

Agenda Item 6.2 Improving Purse-seine Unloadings Data Collection

This agenda item will provide an overview of the importance of purse-seine unloadings data collection and methods and procedures for improving the collection of unloadings data from the longline and purse seine fisheries.

Agenda Item 6.3 Future arrangements for Observer Data Mgmt and related problems

This agenda item will cover the current issues with observer data management as a result of the significant increase in observer data collection due to WCPFC and PNA decisions.

EXERCISE : Participants will be asked to indicate what their country's future strategy will be with respect to observer data managements and the output will be compiled for the report of the workshop.

Agenda Item 6.4 DCC 2009 outcomes

This agenda item will review the outcomes of the DCC 2009 meeting.

Agenda Item 6.5 Current status of Artisanal tuna fisheries data collection.

Member countries are encouraged to provide annual catch estimates of tuna from their artisanal fisheries to the WCPFC to ensure their important domestic fishery is recognized. This agenda item will look at current status of artisanal tuna fisheries data collection systems in each country, including projects to improve data collection and where future efforts should be directed. Plenary discussion :

- Briefly describe your artisanal fisheries (number of vessels, gears, seasons)
- What data collection systems currently exist
- What data collection systems could potentially be implemented

Agenda Item 6.6 Review of data reconciliation and coverage

This agenda item again looks at how different types of data can be used to reconcile other types of data, featuring logsheet, unloadings, VMS and telex data. This agenda item also briefly revisits the concepts of COVERAGE.

AGENDA ITEM 7 LEGALLY-ENFORCEABLE DATA COLLECTION

A presentation will be provided updating participants on the issues regarding the legal aspects of data collection.

MAIN OUTCOMES: A recommendation of how to proceed from here.

Wednesday 28 April 2010 (afternoon) / Thursday 29 April 2010

AGENDA ITEM 8 AUDITING DATA COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Brief presentation revisiting the concepts of auditing and a description of two draft WORKBOOKS for auditing (PORT SAMPLING and LOGSHEETS). What is “Self-auditing” and the importance of having independent experts conducting the auditing.

EXERCISE #1 :

1. We are planning to have groups of participants audit a “mock” port sampling programme.
2. The groups will then report back in plenary with a spokesperson from each group presenting the major findings of their port sampling audit. (Thursday morning)
3. Discussion will then concentrate on how to go about resolving the problems. (Thursday morning)
4. The organizers will then provide some background of how the “mock” port sampling programme was structured. (Thursday morning)

EXERCISE #2 :

1. Participants will also be asked to use the LOGBOOK AUDIT WORKBOOK to undertake a self-audit their country’s system.

Participants will be asked to try to identify any deficiencies or areas of improvement in the audit workbooks. (Thursday morning)

MAIN OUTCOMES: Participants will be more familiar with the auditing process and would have provided input into the audit workbook review process.

Thursday 29 April 2010

AGENDA ITEM 9 DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

This session will provide participants with the latest developments in database management systems and tools available to member countries focusing on the TUFMAN system.

Agenda Item 9.1 TUBS

A presentation will be provided on the latest version of the TUFMAN Observer Database System (TUBS) and plans for SPC to install this system in member country offices in the coming years. Participants will be asked to indicate whether they plan to use this system (in relation to Agenda Item 6.3).

Agenda Item 9.2 TUFMAN

An introductory presentation will take a comprehensive look at the recent enhancements to TUFMAN (v5.0 and v6.0), a description of the TUFMAN JTF project (2010) and the schedule for implementation in member countries (JTF project), and future long-term work with TUFMAN. This session will also be used to get feedback from participants on the problems with TUFMAN and ideas for future enhancements, through an EXERCISE session.

Participants will be provided with the latest version of the TUFMAN Video training tool and there will be an EXERCISE session where participants can call on the assistance of the OFP database specialists to go over any training requirements/problem they have with TUFMAN. Participants are therefore asked to bring their TUFMAN database system with them to the workshop.

Agenda Item 9.3 SCANNING DATA PROCEDURES

A presentation covering the latest developments with the SCANNING SOFTWARE (SLOPS) used in member countries and a comprehensive description of the procedures that countries should use in preparing data for scanning, scanning the data and then sending the data to SPC. This session will also look at some of the problems experienced in scanning and submission of scanned data to SPC.

Friday 29 April 2010

AGENDA ITEM 10 Review of work undertaken

- 9.1 Review of progress in producing the 2009 Annual catch estimates
- 9.2 Review of the suggested enhancements to TUFMAN and other dissemination tools
- 9.3 Review of other issues raised during the workshop
- 9.4 Discussion and formulation of recommendations from the workshop

AGENDA ITEM 11 CLOSE OF THE WORKSHOP