

7TH MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE (FAC)

Port Vila, Vanuatu, 14 to 18 February 2020

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Potential Hosting Commission meetings 2022 & 2023 and Scientific Committee 2021 & 2022

Secretariat

1. Background

According to Rule of Procedure 3 “*Before the end of each annual meeting, the Commission¹ shall, if possible, decide on the date and location of the next annual meeting*”.

2. Call for Interest to Organise Forthcoming Commission Meetings

To facilitate medium term planning both for SPRFMO Members and the Secretariat, the Commission Members are requested to consider how feasible would be to organise any of the forthcoming Commission meetings (2022 & 2023).

This exercise is not a formal commitment (unless confirmation is given by the Commission Member) but a finding exercise to check where potentially Commission meetings could be organised in the next three years. Therefore, each year is open to more than one Member.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION	Commission Meeting	2021	2022	2023
Australia	2017			
Republic of Chile	2016			
People's Republic of China				
Cook Islands			2022 ²	
Republic of Cuba				
Republic of Ecuador	2014			
European Union	2019			
The Kingdom of Denmark in respect of Faroe Islands				
Republic of Korea				
New Zealand	2013 & 2015			
Republic of Peru	2018	2021		
Russian Federation				
Chinese Taipei				
The United States of America				
Republic of Vanuatu	2020			

¹ Rule of Procedure 1 “*For the purpose of each subsidiary body, in the following rules, the word Commission shall be understood as referring to the concerned Committee, and the word “decision” as referring to advice or recommendation*”.

² At the 7th Commission Meeting in the Netherlands, January 2019, the Cook Islands expressed the interest to host the 2022 meeting of the Commission ([COMM7-Report](#) Para 40). The Cook Islands’ offer to host COMM10 needs to be confirmed at the 7th FAC Meeting.



3. Call for Interest to Organise Forthcoming Scientific Committee (SC) Meetings

To facilitate medium term planning both for SPRFMO Members and the Secretariat, the Commission Members are requested to consider how feasible would be to organise any of the forthcoming Scientific Committee meetings (2021 & 2022).

This exercise is not a formal commitment (unless confirmation is given by the Commission Member) but a finding exercise to check where potentially SC meetings could be organised in the next three years. Therefore, each year is open to more than one Member.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION	SC Meeting	2020	2021	2022
Australia				
Republic of Chile	2018			
People's Republic of China	2017			
Cook Islands				
Republic of Cuba	2019			
Republic of Ecuador				
European Union	2016			
The Kingdom of Denmark in respect of Faroe Islands				
Republic of Korea				
New Zealand		2020 ³		
Republic of Peru				
Russian Federation				
Chinese Taipei				
The United States of America	2013 & 2014			
Republic of Vanuatu	2015			

³ The venue for the 2020 SC was determined at the 2019 SC, it will be Napier, New Zealand. See ([SPRFMO SC7-Report](#) Para 370).