

5th Meeting of the Scientific Committee

Shanghai, China
23 - 28 September 2017

SC5-Doc05

July 2017 Scientific Committee web meeting notes

The meeting began at 13:20 GMT 26 July 2017 and ran through until 14:30.

Participants

Jim Ianelli (Chair),

Secretariat	Johanne Fischer, Craig Loveridge, Lee Qi (graduate student assisting at SC5);
Chile	Maria Angela Barbieri, Mauricio Galvez, Karin Mundnich, Juan Carlos Quiroz, Mario Acevedo, Aquiles Sepulveda;
China	Gang Li, Luoliang Xu, Zhou Fang;
Ecuador	Viviana Jurado;
Korea	Jae-Bong Lee, Seok-Gwan Choi, EJ Kim;
New Zealand	Martin Cryer;
Peru	Enrique Ramos, Jorge Csirke, Ulises Munaylla, Oscar Bernales, IMARPE (various);
Chinese Taipei	Chih-Shin Chen;
USA	Brian Langseth;
DSCC	Matthew Gianni;
Oceania	Liesbeth van der Meer.

After some initial technical difficulties with the meeting software Jim opened meeting, and noted that this was an informal meeting to discuss the upcoming SC meetings and workplan.

Everyone introduced themselves and audio checks were also conducted to ensure people could participate effectively.

Discussion topics

Jim went through the discussion topics which were provided prior to the meeting and asked if any additional topics should be added. There were no additions.

Jack mackerel

Jim reminded participants about that the plan this year is to do an “update” of the 2016 Jack mackerel stock assessment along with additional tasks as listed in the workplan.

Craig reminded Jack mackerel fishing nations that the SC data templates for age-length and survey Information have been circulated and that those should be completed and returned to the data coordinators within the next month. Jim asked who the data coordinators were as there have been some changes in personnel. Craig replied that the coordinator for the far north fleet was Enrique Ramo (no change), for Chile the new person is Juan Carlos, and for the offshore fleet information should be send to the Secretariat and Niels Hintzen until a new coordinator can be verified.

Jim asked what new data inputs we could expect for the Jack mackerel update assessment. He mentioned that Gang Li had already provided an updated Standardised CPUE for the China fleet. Jorge said that Peru would be able to update their CPUE but that the new information would necessarily be based upon the artisanal activities as the industrial fleet has not been active this year. Juan Carlos said that Chile would be able to update their indices but that information would only be available up till and including May 2017.

There were no new developments from the age/growth task team.

Peru reported that the Jack mackerel base code is unchanged from SC04. Chile confirmed that they had been able to run the assessment code recently.

Deepwater

Jim provided a summary of the outcomes of the Deepwater workshop that had been held earlier in the year in Hobart and asked Mauricio for an update. Mauricio replied that a draft report had been finalised and that he had circulated it to the participants. It was agreed that Mauricio & Craig with help from Martin/Simon would re-circulate the draft report with the aim of finalising the report within a week or so that its outcomes could be presented to SC5.

Martin informed the meeting that New Zealand had held the first of a series of stakeholder workshops to inform the review of the Bottom fishing measure and to develop some spatial management options for the western SPRFMO Area. Matthew asked whether the results of those workshops would be made available and discussed at SC5 - Martin confirmed that they would both in the pre-SC workshop and the main SC meeting.

Pre-SC workshop

Jim outlined the current plan for the 2-day workshop which is:

1st day (Sept 20th) to discuss Squid.

2nd day (Sept 21st) to discuss deepwater topics.

Jack mackerel data preparation activities would be conducted concurrently and as needed on Sept 22nd.

Provisional SC agenda

Jim asked about the Agenda. Craig replied that the DRAFT Provisional agenda had been circulated and that there had been 2 requests for supplementary items. The first related to a missing workplan item on seabird monitoring and the 2nd a proposal from Francois Gerlotto to create a task group on ecosystem and habitat monitoring. Craig confirmed that the Provisional agenda (including those items) will be circulated shortly along with the new Draft guidelines for National Reports.

In response to a question from Mauricio Craig confirmed that the Guidelines had undergone minor updates to include some missing sections previously identified by the SC. As the Draft guidelines, had not been formally adopted it would be up to the members to decide if they

would follow the new draft or the previous version. The intention would be to adopt the Draft at the SC meeting if acceptable.

Craig also confirmed that annual reports and SC papers are due 1 month prior to the meeting (ie 23rd August 2017).

Closing comments

Jim agreed to circulate a record of the meeting. The group did not see any need for an additional web meeting - although the working group Chairs should continue to coordinate work for SC05.

Zhou Fang from China asked everyone to please send the personal information as soon as possible, so that he can organise invitation letters and reservation confirmations. He also confirmed that the correct visa type is "F" refer to:

https://www.visarite.com/china_f_visa.htm

Gang Li mentioned that there will be a welcome dinner to be held on the evening of the 23rd of September at 6:30 pm.

Jim closed the meeting, apologised on behalf of the Secretariat for the initial technical difficulties and expressed his gratitude to participants and their efforts to contribute to the work ahead.