



13TH MEETING OF THE COMPLIANCE AND TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

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PR2 Recommendations Allocation to CTC – Implementation Plan

Chairperson of the PR2IWG

The Second Performance Review (PR2) of the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation was undertaken in 2024, which resulted in a set of 24 recommendations aimed at enhancing the functioning of the Organisation and improving its overall effectiveness.

At its 13th Annual Meeting, the Commission agreed to establish an Intersessional Working Group (PR2 IWG) tasked with drafting an Implementation Plan to ensure the effective follow-up of the relevant PR2 recommendations.

This document focuses specifically on the six recommendations identified as relevant to the Compliance and Technical Committee (CTC).

The CTC is therefore asked to:

- *consider the comments provided by the PR2 Intersessional Working Group in relation to each of the six CTC-relevant recommendation, and*
- *provide practical and viable options for addressing each recommendation.*

Rev1 notes:

- Added a high-level title for each recommendation so it is clear what the recommendation is trying to achieve.
- Removed 'PR2 IWG summary' column to simplify the table, noting this information can also be found in COMM14-Doc09.1 – Attachment A – SPRFMO PR2 Implementation Plan.
- Added bracketed text in the 'CTC Recommendation' column based on the information received from intersessional working group meetings. This text will be used as a starting point for the CTC to consider, amend as necessary and agree to forward to COMM14.



SPRFMO Performance Review Recommendations (on screen for comment)

No	Recommendations	PR2 IWG Comments to CTC	CTC Recommendation <i>(provide viable options for responding to each recommendation)</i>
2	<p><u>Three-year Business Plan; Review of Headquarters Agreement</u></p> <p>The Review Panel recommends the development of a Business Plan with a three-year planning horizon and an associated budget. The first Business Plan should include a review and enhancement of the Headquarters Agreement with the New Zealand Government.</p>	<p>The CTC chair advised the IWG that there is a plan to identify high-level priorities for CTC over the next three years, to bring forward to this year's annual meeting. The CTC chair noted the need for guidance and direction for the CTC.</p> <p>The CTC chair noted that the overarching CTC workplan won't be distinct, but would feed into the business plan.</p> <p>The CTC Chair noted that instructions to frame out these discussions are still being developed and will be circulated to members in time for the annual meeting.</p>	<p><i>To be completed by CTC</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>[CTC would contribute to a Business Plan by identifying a set of high-level compliance and technical priorities for the next three years, focused on addressing key compliance risks and implementation gaps and ensuring alignment with the CTC workplan.]</u>• <u>[CTC requests clear Commission guidance on Business Plan scope, timelines, and expectations to ensure alignment with available resources and to avoid duplication of effort.]</u>
3	<p><u>Separate Workplans & Secretariat Operational Plan</u></p> <p>The Review Panel recommends that the Commission improve its direction to subsidiary bodies, the Data Working Group, and the Secretariat by approving their work plans/programmes through the proposed integrated business plan, with a three-year planning horizon and associated budget/funding model. Commission oversight can be</p>	<p>As per the comments from Meeting 1 (SC), CTC need direction from the Commission. However, CTC may want to identify what key pieces of work are needed if a workplan was agreed, aimed at addressing any compliance gaps.</p> <p>The IWG noted there can be difficulties with developing different workplans for each subsidiary as there can be unintended consequences of competing priorities.</p> <p>The IWG also noted that the development of separate workplans can still be discussed and planned separate to the Commission agreeing to this work.</p>	<p><i>To be completed by CTC</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>[CTC will consider and develop its workplan. CTC will focus on addressing key compliance-related work and addressing compliance risks rather than creating additional procedural burden.]</u>• <u>[N/A re: Secretariat Operational Plan]</u>



	<p>strengthened by assessing the performance of the subsidiary bodies and Secretariat against their components of the proposed Business Plan. This would involve developing a Workplan for the CTC and FAC, improving the approach to the SC Multiannual Work Plan, and developing an Operational Plan for the Secretariat, as well as an Information Management Strategy and associated Data Management Plan.</p>	
7	<p><u>Information Management Strategy and Data Management Plan (IMS/DMP)</u></p> <p>The Commission should develop an Information Management Strategy and Data Management Plan, placing a high priority on improving its overall approach to information management. This could draw on the SC's existing progress through SC12-Doc12.</p>	<p>The IWG encouraged CTC to review the draft Strategy and provide compliance related guidance.</p> <p><i>To be completed by CTC</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>[CTC will consider the SC endorsed Data Management Strategy.]</u>• <u>[CTC will provide advice on compliance-related data needs, data quality, accessibility, and reporting efficiencies. In doing so, CTC will focus on usability of existing data streams, rather than expanding data collection obligations unnecessarily.]</u>
9	<p><u>Review CMM 02-2022</u></p> <p>The Commission should work towards conducting a comprehensive review of CMM 02-2022, following the development of the Information Management Strategy and Data Management Plan, as part of the Business Plan.</p>	<p>Irrespective of whether an IMS and DMP are agreed by Commission, the IWG requested the CTC to identify any compliance-related data gaps.</p> <p>The IWG noted that this recommendation is less about collecting new data and placed emphasis on improving efficiencies in the current CMM and the data SPRFMO currently collects.</p> <p>Also to be discussed in Meeting 3 (COMM)</p> <p><i>To be completed by CTC</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>[CTC will identify compliance-related data gaps, redundancies, and implementation challenges associated with CMM 02-2022 and provide input to support the review process.]</u>• <u>[CTC will prioritise improving existing data collection processes and compliance outcomes, rather than introducing additional reporting requirements.]</u>



13	<p><u>Data Sharing for Squid (Including National Jurisdictions)</u></p> <p>Squid - Participants of the fishery, including Members with squid fisheries in areas under national jurisdiction, should fully cooperate with the Commission and the SC through data sharing to facilitate the assessment.</p>	<p>The IWG noted that SPRFMO does not assess compliance in areas of national jurisdiction if Members do not provide their consent to apply the measure to their areas under national jurisdiction.</p> <p>The IWG also noted that this recommendation is more aligned to the responsibilities of the Commission and SC, but CTC may wish to consider what additional squid data (beyond what is reported in national reports and compliance assessments) for the purpose of stock assessments would also be beneficial from a compliance perspective</p> <p><i>To be completed by CTC</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>[CTC could consider identifying additional squid-related data, beyond current national reports and compliance assessments, that would be useful for compliance monitoring and verification, pending Commission guidance.]</i>
21	<p><u>Strengthened RFMO Cooperation (especially CCAMLR)</u></p> <p>Exploratory Fisheries - The Commission should work to strengthen cooperation with adjacent RFMOs, particularly regarding the management of toothfish fisheries. Engaging with CCAMLR can provide valuable insights and support for the effective management of these fisheries and the process to transition these into established fisheries.</p>	<p>The IWG noted that CTC can start thinking about the compliance elements of this recommendation, including thinking about alignment with CCAMLR and other RFMOs (SIOFA).</p> <p>The IWG Meeting 2 agreed that there are compliance elements for exploratory fisheries, particularly in terms of transitioning exploratory fisheries to established fisheries, and future alignment with other RFMOs and agreed to retain CTC as a responsible body.</p> <p><i>To be completed by CTC</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>[CTC will consider the compliance elements associated with exploratory fisheries, including alignment of compliance approaches and information exchange. CTC notes the importance of consistency, where appropriate, with relevant measures and practices of other RFMOs.]</i>