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COMMISSION INTERNATIONALE POUR LA CONSERVATION DES THONIDES DE L'ATLANTIQUE

COMISION INTERNACIONAL PARA LA CONSERVACION DEL ATUN ATLANTICO

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SUBJECT: 2023 AMBASSADORS WEBINARS ON NORTHERN ATLANTIC SWORDFISH MSE (N-SWO MSE) (Online, 12 June 2023)

The ongoing process in ICCAT to develop a management strategy evaluation (MSE) framework for Northern Atlantic Swordfish (N-SWO) requires dissemination of this process to fishery managers and other stakeholders. The Swordfish Ambassadors programme is an initiative starting in 2023 with the goal of fostering dialogue with managers before the next meetings of Panel 4.

As part of the N-SWO MSE communication team, SWO MSE Ambassadors will serve as language-specific contacts in a series of informal webinars to describe the N-SWO MSE process up to date. These webinars will function like an educational ICCAT side event, and not be a forum for the Commission to provide formal feedback to the SCRS.

On behalf of the SCRS Chair, I should like to inform you that the first series of N-SWO MSE Ambassadors Webinars will be held online on **12 June 2023**. The purposes of this webinar will be to inform upon recent progress on management procedures, further elucidation of the tradeoff space and initial management procedure performance.

Accreditation by CPC or as an accredited observer will be required for participation and questions will be asked on an individual basis. In order to organize the webinars in advance of the sessions, in particular, regarding the number of participants, you are kindly requested to send to the ICCAT Secretariat a list of delegates who will participate by 7 June 2023. Any late submission of the official delegation may cause delay in providing access to participants to the webinar and to the related documents. Participants must also register for the webinar by 7 June 2023, using the online registration form which will be available shortly on our meetings webpage.

Webinars will run in the three ICCAT official languages and participants will be allowed to attend the most appropriate in each case.

The proposed sessions for Webinars on 12 June 2023 are as follows:

English - 13:00-15:00 Madrid time

French/Spanish - 15:30-18:30 Madrid time

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The SCRS would like to encourage all those interested in the Northern Atlantic Swordfish MSE process to participate in the Ambassadors programme.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Executive Secretary

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