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ICCAT CIRCULAR #02359/ 2024

SUBJECT: SECOND INTERSESSIONAL MEETING OF PANEL 1 (*hybrid/Natal, Brazil, 22-24 May 2024*)

Following the recent decision taken by the Panel 1 Chair, I am pleased to inform you that the Second Intersessional Meeting of Panel 1 has been scheduled from 22 to 24 May 2024 in Natal (Brazil) which will have a hybrid format. The meeting will be held at the [SERHS Natal Grand Hotel & Resort](#), Via Costeira Sen. Dinarte Medeiros Mariz, 6045 - Parque das Dunas, Natal - RN, 59090-002, Brazil. The meeting hours will be from 8:30 – 18:00 hours local time, with the usual 30 min coffee-breaks at 10:00 and 16:00 and lunch between 12:30 and 14:30. Additional information on special rates at the venue and other alternative hotels in the area will soon be made available on the [meeting webpage](#).

Participants attending the meeting in person are kindly requested to read the information on [Entry Visas to Brazil](#), to find out whether they will need a Visa to travel to Brazil. As of 10 April 2024, citizens from Canada and the United States of America, must apply for an e-visa to enter Brazil for tourism, transit or business on the Brazilian government's [e-visa website](#).

The tentative Agenda for the meeting is attached and has been posted in the [Nextcloud meeting document folder](#), as well as other meeting documents, whenever they are received. Please note that our mailing distribution list is limited. Therefore, I should like to ask that you circulate this announcement to potential delegates.

In order to organize the hybrid meeting in advance of the session, in particular, regarding the number of in-person participants, you are kindly requested to send to the ICCAT Secretariat a list of delegates who will participate in the meeting by **10 May 2024**. Any late submission of the official delegation may cause a delay in providing access to participants to the meeting and the related documents. All participants (online and in-person) must also register for the meeting by **13 May 2024**, using the online registration form which will be available shortly on the [meetings webpage](#).

Funding is available to cover travel and subsistence expenses for a limited number of national managers from developing States that are Contracting Parties. According to the [Rules of Procedure for the Administration of the Special Meeting Participation Fund](#) adopted at the 2023 Commission meeting, requests should be sent to ICCAT-Travel@iccat.int at least **45 days** in advance of the start of the meeting (**7 April 2024**). Requests for financial assistance cannot be accepted after that date. All the information related to the [ICCAT Special Funds for participation in ICCAT meetings and capacity building](#) is available on the ICCAT website. It is highly recommended to visit this web page in advance and to strictly follow the protocols. In particular, it is necessary to fully complete the invitation form.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Executive Secretary



Camille Jean Pierre Manel

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Attachment: Tentative Agenda for the meeting (PA1_MAY_01/i2024).

Tentative Agenda

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Appointment of rapporteur and meeting arrangements
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Review of fishing, capacity and FAD management plans submitted by CPCs, including statements for development of fisheries
5. Allocation keys for and distribution of the bigeye tuna Total Allowable Catch (TAC)
6. Review of potential capacity limits in light of the allocation key
7. Review of provisions related to the calculation of catch limits as stipulated in [Rec. 22-01](#)
8. Consideration of TAC and allocation for yellowfin tuna
9. Review other measures relevant to the conservation and management of tropical tunas
10. Update on SCRS progress of Western Skipjack Management Strategy Evaluation (SKJ-W MSE)
11. Other matters
12. Adoption of report / adjournment