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Madrid, 4 September 2026

ICCAT CIRCULAR # 07402 / 2026

SUBJECT: SECOND INTERSESSIONAL MEETING OF IMM ON HIGH SEAS BOARDING INSPECTION (HSBI) (online, 1 October 2026)

Further to ICCAT Circular #05311 of 29 June 2026, I should like to inform you that the Chair of the Permanent Working Group for the Improvement of ICCAT Statistics and Conservation Measures (PWG) has reached out to a number of CPCs who responded with comments and edits to document IMM-16/i2026 submitted by Canada. While some CPCs consider that fundamental issues remain, there appears to be a willingness to continue discussions at this intersessional meeting.

Accordingly, a Second Intersessional Meeting of the Working Group on Integrated Monitoring Measures (IMM) has been scheduled for **1 October 2026**. The meeting will have an online format and the meeting times will be 12:00 to 17:30 (Madrid time). If work cannot be completed an additional 30 minutes may be envisaged. There will be two 30-minute breaks, one at 13:30 and the other at 15:30.

The Tentative Agenda attached herein will be posted together with any other documents in the [meeting nextCloud folder](#). Please note that our mailing distribution list is limited. Therefore, I should like to ask that you circulate this announcement among potential delegates. This announcement will also be included on our [current meetings webpage](#).

In order to organise the meeting and issue the online participant links, you are kindly requested to send to the ICCAT Secretariat a list of delegates who will participate in the meeting by **18 September 2026**. Any late submission of the official delegation may cause a delay in providing access to participants to the meeting. All participants must also register for the meeting by this date (**18 September 2026**), using the [online registration form](#) which will soon be available on our [meetings webpage](#).

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

P.O. Executive Secretary

Miguel Neves dos Santos
Assistant Executive Secretary

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Attach: Letter from the Chair of the PWG [ICCAT Entrada #E26-09652 of 31 August 2026] and Tentative Agenda (IMM_OCT_01/i2026).

Dear all,

By way of a follow-up to my letter in ICCAT Circular #05311/2026, I would like to inform you that I have reached out to a number of CPCs who responded with comments and edits on document IMM_16 circulated by Canada. While some CPCs consider that fundamental issues remain, there appears to be a willingness in continuing discussions in this intersessional meeting.

I would like to underline that the objective of the meeting would be to continue engaging on points where CPCs consider that progress can be made and not prolonged interventions on issues where CPCs have expressed substantive concerns, requested more time and/or further consultations. I will do my best to structure the meeting in this regard and make the best use of our time and have asked Canada to consider this when sharing amended text and points for discussion. In this regard, Canada have informed that they are currently reviewing the document with a view of circulating an updated draft by no later than two weeks prior to the meeting.

Kind regards,



Neil Ansell

PWG Chair



Tentative agenda

1. Opening of the meeting and meeting arrangements
2. Nomination of Rapporteur
3. Adoption of agenda
4. Objectives of meeting
5. Presentation of a new version of IMM_16/i2026 (open discussion and drafting as appropriate)
6. Other matters
7. Adoption of report and closure