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SCIENTIFIC CAPACITY BUILDING FUND (SCBF)¹

In 2013, the Commission adopted Rec. 13-19, establishing a Scientific Capacity Building Fund (SCBF) to support scientists from those ICCAT Contracting Parties which are developing States in their need to acquire knowledge and develop skills on issues related to ICCAT.

Funding is destined to assist scientists in ad hoc training workshops of their choice (14 days maximum) on issues related to ICCAT, in scientific institutes and/or research centres of other ICCAT CPCs, based on a training strategy which must be presented to the ICCAT Secretariat and SCRS.

This fund initially received an allocation of €80,000.00 from the Working Capital Fund and Rec. 13-19 stipulates that “*The Commission will identify a procedure for supplying funds to the SCBF in the future*”.

The status of the fund at 29 October 2015 is as follows:

Scientific Capacity Building Fund (SCBF)	
Balance at the start of 2015	€73,553.79
EXPENSES	€7,655.46
Training placement in reproductive biology of tropical tunas, of a scientist from Côte d'Ivoire in the AZTI Tecnalia Centre.	€2,929.22
Training placement in stock assessment (VPA) of a scientist from Tunisia in NOAA.	€4,726.24
Balance as of 29 October 2015	€65,898.33

¹ Data referred to 29 October 2015.