Working Group on Electronic Monitoring Systems (WG-EMS) Possible priorities, implementation strategies and tentative workplan

(submitted by the PWG Chair)

1. Workplan for 2025-2027

| Task | Deliverable | Tentative schedule |
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| Develop templates & guidelines for the preparation of domestic programs and reporting of results (para 13-15 Rec. 23-18) | - Create and update templates or protocols as required | - Finalise in 2025 (IMM) and as required |
| Review domestic programs (para 17 Rec. 23-18) | - Review CPC EMS Domestic programmes Discuss, clarify and agree timeline for reviewing CPC EMS programs and reporting of the results (including in the Annual Reports) | - 2025 (IMM) and PWG 2025 and as required |
| Review EMS minimum standards as needed (para 20 of Rec.23-18) | - Review and advise standards including new annexes and/or guidelines to cover cases other than PS and LLS such as SSF | - 2026 |
| Keep abreast of practical experiences and technological developments on EMS | Compilation of relevant work by other RFMOs Repository with relevant reports and papers | Compilation of relevant work by other RFMOs: end 2022 Repository with relevant reports and papers: end 2022 In general: recurrent |
| Continue to advance and support the use of EMS in ICCAT fisheries | - Possible suggestions of new EMS projects | In general, recurrent, with first discussion at first WG-EMS meeting in 2023 |
| Explore coordination and synergies between the monitoring, control, surveillance (MCS), and scientific applications of EMS | | - Item for discussion at every WG-EMS meeting |