Virtual Working Group on Sustainable Financial Position for ICCAT (VWG-SF)

26 June 2024

Key outcomes for consideration

Format and content of the annual budget presentation

Priorities for providing additional information or explanation:

- Chapters significantly higher (or lower) than the previous year
- Scientific research
- Historical information about each chapter

Biennial versus annual decision process

Annual meeting costs

Items that could be done in short term

- Managing the total number of participants
- Changing arrangements in the meeting room
- Reducing lunch costs
- Planning venues in advance

Items that could take longer

- Shortening meeting length
- Identifying outside funding sources

Intersessional meetings

- Develop multi-year plan of meetings
- Limit number of meetings or meeting days per year
- Identify windows distributed through the year to schedule intersessionals
- Hold meetings back-to-back
- More active discussion of schedule at annual meetings

Next steps in 2025...

- Continue the VWG-SF?
- Specific tasks and deliverables for next year?