Provisional Agenda

The Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement (SIOFA)

Sixth Meeting of the Parties

01-05 July 2019

Pearle Beach Resort & Spa conference centre, Flic en Flac, Mauritius

SIOFA Chairperson: tbc

Registration will be open from 08:00 and the meeting will start 09:00 on Monday 1st July

A Heads of Delegation meeting will be held on Sunday 30th June 20:00 – 20:45.

1. Opening of the session
   1.1. Opening statement from the Chair
   1.2. Opening statement from the SIOFA Executive Secretary
   1.3. Welcome by Administration of Mauritius
   1.4. Presentation of Contracting Parties Delegations
   1.5. Admission of Observers
   1.6. Status of the Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement
   1.7. Participation in decision making

2. Administrative arrangements
   2.1. Adoption of the agenda
   2.2. Confirmation of meeting documents
   2.3. Appointment of rapporteurs
   2.4. Practical arrangements for the meeting

3. Intersessional decision making
   In accordance with SIOFA RoP 13, the Executive Secretary to inform on any decision taken intersessionally.

4. Report of the Third Meeting of the Compliance Committee
   Standing agenda item.

5. Report of the Fourth Meeting of the Scientific Committee
   Standing agenda item.

6. Definition for ‘new fisheries’
   Following progress made at MoP5, update on this work led by France (Territories)
7. **Interim Bottom Fishing Measures**
   7.1. **Existing CCPs**
   *Standing item for the disclosure of revised measures notified in accordance with CMM 2018/01 para 9 (3).*
   7.2. **New CCPs**
   *Standing item for advice provided in accordance with CMM 2018/01 para 19.*

8. **Vessel catch, Effort and Scientific Observer Data**
   *Standing agenda item. Summary of reports provided to the secretariat in accordance with CMM 2018/02 paras 6, 7 and 13. Deadline for submission of reports 31 May each year.*
   8.1. Annual catch
   8.2. Vessels catch and effort
   8.3. Scientific observer data

9. **SIOFA Compliance Report**
   *Standing agenda item. In accordance with CMM2018/11 Compliance Monitoring Scheme, the MoP to consider a Provisional SIOFA Compliance Report (pSCR) prepared by the Compliance Committee, for consideration and adoption of a final SIOFA Compliance Report (fSCR). The fSCR shall be annexed to the MoP6 Report.*

10. **Listing of IUU vessels**
    *Standing agenda item. In accordance with CMM 2018/06 IUU Vessel List, the MoP shall review the Provisional IUU Vessel List adopted by the Compliance Committee and adopt a new IUU Vessel List.*

11. **Reviews and amendments to Conservation and Managements Measures (CMMs) currently in force**
    *Standing agenda item for the presentation of reviews or proposed amendments to existing CMMs and possible adoption.*
    11.1. **CMM2018/01 Interim Management of Bottom Fishing**
        *In accordance with CMM2018/01 para 41, this CMM shall be reviewed no later than MoP6.*
    11.2. **CMM 2018/02 Data Standards**
    11.3. **CMM 2017/07 Vessel Authorisation**
    11.4. **CMM 2018/10 Monitoring**

12. **New Conservation and Managements Measures (CMMs)**
    *Standing agenda item for the presentation of any proposals of new CMMs and possible adoption.*
    12.1. **High Seas Boarding Inspection**
    12.2. **Establishment of VMS in SIOFA**
    12.3. **Framework for Scientific Research**
    12.4. **New & Exploratory Fisheries**
    12.5. **Proposal on Sharks**
    12.6. **Mitigation of seabird bycatch**
    12.7. **Management of Toothfish (Dissostichus eleginoides)**
    12.8. **General rules for bottom fishing**
    12.9. **Management of demersal stocks**
    12.10. **Prevention of impact on VMEs**
    12.11. **Suite of bottom fishing measures (support paper for 12.8, 12.9 and 12.10)**
    12.12. **Amendment to ToR for the PAEWG or new CMM**

13. **Secretariat Administration** (Executive Secretary)
Standing agenda item to report Secretariat Administration

Secretariat to present the Financial Report, external Auditor’s Report and draft budget – prepared and circulated in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the MoP. Presentation to be followed by discussions and adoption of the budget for the ensuing financial year.

13.2. Report on Staff Resources and Secretaries Activities– RoP Rule 8 (g)
Secretariat to present a report

13.3. Recruitment of consultants
Secretariat to present the SIOFA Consultant Recruitment Procedure for MoP comment

13.4. SIOFA Technical Editing Process
Secretariat to present a suggested update for the process of proposing corrections to new or amended Conservation and Management Measures (CMMs)

13.5. Data confidentiality
Secretariat to present the following:
   13.5.1. Confidential data exchange procedure
   13.5.2. Points of clarification of CMM 2016/03 (para 2 b, c, e)
   13.5.3. Confidential data process clarification and guidelines for SC activities (ref. CMM 2016/03 para 2e, 4)

14. Cooperation with other RFMOs, international bodies and other relevant matters
Standing item to inform of any issues or matters which may be of interest to the Meeting of the Parties

14.1. Southwest Indian Ocean Fisheries Commission (SWIOFC)
14.2. CCAMLR
14.3. FAO ABNJ Deep Seas Project
14.4. FAO Fisheries Resource Monitoring System (FIRMS)
14.5. Other matters of interest

15. Joint Commission of the Extended Continental Shelf Mascarene Plateau Region
Update on the Mauritius-Seychelles Establishment of the Joint Management Area

16. Observer Nominations for other RFMO and CCAMLR meetings
Standing item to confirm which CPs (including contact name) will serve as SIOFA Observer at other relevant meetings during the following 12 month period.

17. Participation of cooperating non-Contracting Parties and non-Participating Fishing Entities
Standing item.

17.1. New applications for participation as a cooperating non-Contracting Party or as a cooperating non-participating fishing entity
MoP to decide whether to admit applicants in accordance with RoP Rule 17 para 6

17.2. Status of registered cooperating non-Contracting Parties and cooperating non-participating fishing entities
MoP to determine if each CNCP and CNPFE qualify to retain their status in accordance with RoP Rule 17 para 8
18. Election of MoP and SCAF Chairpersons and Vice Chairpersons
   18.1. Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Administration and Finance (SCAF)
   18.2. Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Meeting of the Parties

19. Future Meeting Arrangements
   19.1. Dates and venues for the Scientific Committee and associated Working Groups in 2020 and 2021
   19.2. Dates and venues for the Meeting of the Parties and the Compliance Committee in 2020

20. Recruitment of SIOFA Executive Secretary

21. Any Other Business

22. Adoption of the report
   Review and adoption of the report.

23. Close of the meeting