



<b>FIRMS Steering Committee Meeting</b>
<b>Sixth Session</b>
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<b>ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT BY <u>IOTC</u> DURING THE INTERSESSIONAL PERIOD</b>
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**1. Developments on inventories of marine resources, and of fisheries**

No change

**2. Reporting on status/trends of marine resources, and of fisheries**

Three fact sheets reporting 2009 IOTC SC assessments on Bigeye, Skipjack and Yellowfin have been contributed to FIRMS and published.

**3. Development/review of standards**

This first IOTC comprehensive reporting to FIRMS provided the opportunity for developing a standard word reporting template; this template still has to be evaluated for application to the other IOTC stocks.

**4. Development of Applications**

No developments to record.

## **5. Development of case studies/prototypes**

The design of the IOTC word reporting template required some prototyping, in interaction with FIRMS Secretariat

## **6. Training or skills development**

IOTC data manager became more aware of FIRMS reporting requirements while working remotely on the prototyping.

## **7. Promotional activities**

No promotion of FIRMS was made.

## **8. Planned activities during the coming intercessional period**

Create more Factsheets for the other stock that IOTC manages, with a priority for the Swordfish for which assessment are regularly made during Working Parties.

Annual reporting to FIRMS resources allowing, provision of comments and feedback to FIRMS as required.