Regional Workshop on the FAO Voluntary Guidelines for Transshipment

Bangkok, Thailand, 23-27 October 2023

PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND TIMETABLE

Monday 23 October

Morning 9:30 – 12:30

1. Opening by the Government of Thailand

2. Workshop arrangements and objectives

3. International framework to prevent, deter and eliminate IUU fishing

4. Background to the development of the FAO Voluntary Guidelines for Transshipment (VGT)

Afternoon 14:00 - 17:00

5. Regulation, monitoring and control of transshipment in the region
   Participants are invited to present their national and regional contexts.

Tuesday 24 October

Morning 9:30 – 12:30

6. Understanding the objectives and requirements contained in the provisions of the VGT

Afternoon 14:00 - 17:00

7. The relevance of the VGT for the implementation of the Agreement on Port State Measures and other complementary instruments.
Wednesday 25 October

Morning 9:30 – 12:30

8. Breakout groups

Four breakout groups will discuss the benefits of the implementation of the VGT within the context of the region/sub-regions. A questionnaire developed by FAO will be used as a basis for the discussions. Actions at national and regional level, including through Regional Fisheries Bodies, will be identified to implement the VGT. Challenges and requirements of developing States will also be addressed.

Afternoon 14:00 - 17:00

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Thursday 26 October

Morning 9:30 – 12:30

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Afternoon 14:00 - 17:00

9. Presentation of the results of breakout group discussions

10. Consolidating results of breakout groups

Friday 27 October

Morning 9:30 – 12:30

11. Conclusions and follow up

12. Closure of the workshop