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**ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT BY CCAMLR DURING THE
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1. Developments on inventories of Marine resources, and of fisheries; revision of annex 2
 - Updated fact sheets in preparation and to be submitted to FIRMS later in 2019.
 - Requests for 2 new species codes:
 - *Etmopterus viator* – Traveller lantern shark
 - *Somniosus antarcticus* – Southern sleeper shark
 - The CCAMLR *Statistical Bulletin* Volume 31 was published in May 2019 (see <https://www.ccamlr.org/en/data/statistical-bulletin>) and contains:
 - Catch and effort statistics for all fisheries in CCAMLR's Convention Area
 - Catch histories for selected fishery target species
 - Trade statistics (landings and exports) of toothfish (*Dissostichus eleginoides* and *D. mawsoni*)
 - Planimetric seabed areas by selected depth intervals.

Information published in the Statistical Bulletin is available in various formats:

- MS Access database
- Fisheries webpages (catch statistics for toothfish (*D. eleginoides* and *D. mawsoni*), icefish (*Champsocephalus gunnari*) and krill (*Euphausia superba*)
- Data files (csv format) for catch and effort statistics, krill catches by SSMU and trade statistics.
- Selected tables from the Statistical Bulletin in pdf.

2. Reporting on status/trends of Marine resources, and of fisheries:
 - The status and trends in CCAMLR fisheries are reviewed annually by the Commission and the Scientific Committee and its Working Groups, and stock assessments are updated on an annual cycle, or a biennial cycle in some fisheries. This review is reported in CCAMLR's fishery reports (<https://www.ccamlr.org/en/publications/fishery-reports>) and in meetings reports (<https://www.ccamlr.org/en/meetings/meetings>). Limits in CCAMLR fisheries are published annually in the Conservation Measures (<https://www.ccamlr.org/en/conservation-and-management/browse-conservation-measures>).
 - CCAMLR implements an ecosystem-based approach to managing fisheries, and precautionary catch limits are set using decision rules which implement the objectives of the Convention.
3. Development/review of standards
 - Limited current involvement.
4. Development of Applications (e.g. new module at Secretariat level, or enhancements in streamlining workflow at Partner level);
 - Limited current involvement.
5. Development of case studies/prototypes;
 - Limited current involvement.
6. Training or skills development;
 - Limited current involvement.
7. Promotional / fund raising activities
 - CWP and FIRMS links listed on the CCAMLR website - <https://www.ccamlr.org/en/data/partnerships>
8. Planned activities during the coming intersession period.
 - Updating fact sheets, including FIRMS status/trend indicators
 - Ongoing contribution to the development standards for data exchange