



FIRMS Steering Committee Meeting
Seventh Session
Rome, Italy, 12–13, and 16 December 2011
PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA AND TIMETABLE
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MEETING PLACE: NIGERIA ROOM

Monday, 12 December 2011

all day: 09:00 hours to 18:00 hours

1. **Opening of session and Welcome address**
2. **Adoption of agenda**
3. **FIRMS membership**
 - Progress on the development of FIRMS Partnership
 - Review of new perspective Partners
4. **Review of Annex 2 of new Partners**
5. **Review of FIRMS activities during the intersession** (cf Doc. FIRMS FSC7/2011/2x)
 - Report on intersessional activities
 - Key topics regarding status of the FIRMS website
 - Marine Resource module
 - progress on populating the site
 - Fishery module: progress and outstanding issues
 - management information in FIRMS
 - fishing activity information in FIRMS – FAO RFBs contributions
 - Home page and thematic pages
 - home page – communicating better
 - thematic pages on Tuna and on deep sea (high seas) demersal resources
 - regional thematic pages on FIRMS activities in CECAF, RECOFI, SWIOFC areas
 - Mapping component
 - enhanced dynamic maps within fact sheets
 - FIRMS data coverage maps

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6. **The Resources-to-Fisheries continuum - or seeking the right compromise between information management constraints and an intuitive user interface**
 7. **Report of virtual technical working group¹**
 - a) Proposed standard for handling “Monitoring cycles of Marine resources”²
 - b) Quality assurance related to information on Resources/stocks Assessments³
 - c) Updated Marine resources and Fisheries inventory guidelines⁴
 - d) Tuna⁵, and High Seas Deep Seas⁶ fisheries, thematic pages
Regional thematic pages (CECAF, SWIOFC, RECOFI)

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8. **Review of strategic aspects: which role for FIRMS in broadening geographic/thematic coverage and enabling more timely information**
 - a) Enabling more timely information
 - b) Reporting on national fisheries and resources
 - c) Reporting on fisheries management
 - d) Which role for FIRMS regarding reporting on socio-economic status of fisheries
 - e) Practical steps towards NatFIRMS
9. **Target audience and communication strategy**
10. **FIRMS Information Management Policy (IMP) – FSC6 version**
11. **Intersessional work plan**
12. **Planning for the seventh session of FSC (FSC8)**
13. **Any other business**
14. **Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson**

Friday, 16 December 2011

morning: 10:00 hours to 12:00 hours

15. **Adoption of the Report and Close of Session**

For each, see Main page, and Discussion page, at:

¹ <http://km.fao.org/FIGISwiki/index.php/FIRMS>

² http://km.fao.org/FIGISwiki/index.php/Talk:Marine_Resource#Monitoring_cycles_of_marine_resources

³ [http://km.fao.org/FIGISwiki/index.php/Talk:Marine_Resource#Quality assurance related to information on Resources.2Fstocks Assessments](http://km.fao.org/FIGISwiki/index.php/Talk:Marine_Resource#Quality_assurance_related_to_information_on_Resources.2Fstocks_Assessments)

⁴ http://km.fao.org/FIGISwiki/index.php/FIRMS_Inventory_Guidelines_and_Templates

⁵ http://km.fao.org/FIGISwiki/index.php/FIRMS_on_Tuna_thematic_page

⁶ http://km.fao.org/FIGISwiki/index.php/FIRMS_Deep_Seas_High_Seas_thematic_page