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ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT BY SEAFO DURING THE INTERSESSIONAL PERIOD
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1. Developments on inventories of Marine resources, and of fisheries; revision of annex 2
 - SEAFOs managed 'Marine resources' were updated based upon stock status reports developed by the Scientific Committee in 2014. The SEAFO 'Marine resource' section now contains current information for: alfonsino, deep-sea red crab, Patagonian toothfish, pelagic armourhead, and orange roughy fisheries.
2. Reporting on status/trends of Marine resources, and of fisheries;
 - SEAFOs Scientific Committee (SC) have developed and agreed upon a template to report on the status of stocks that are managed using total allowable catch. The report is updated annually by SC. Unfortunately, many of the stocks assessed do not have sufficient time series data. Explicitly defining exploitation rates and abundance levels with confidence is currently challenging.
3. Development/review of standards
 - As stated in (2), SEAFOs SC developed and agreed upon a stock reporting format and structure.
4. Development of Applications (e.g. new module at Secretariat level, or enhancements in streamlining workflow at Partner level);
 - Mapping the headings of the SC report to FIRMS' schema will make annual updates more efficient.
4. Development of case studies/prototypes;
 - Nothing to report.

5. Training or skills development;
 - Nothing to report
6. Promotional / fund raising activities
 - Nothing to report
7. Planned activities during the coming intersession period.
 - The Secretariat intends to work with FAO to accomplish the mapping of SEAFOS stock reports and the FIRMS schema. The Secretariat also intends to update the 'Fisheries' section of FIRMS (by adding a management unit for each marine resource) to reflect updated management measures for each stock contained in the 'Marine resource' section.

Annex: Revised annex 2 (if applicable)