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**Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC)**

**9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the  
Sub-Committee on Stock Assessment (SCSA)**

**Kavala, Greece, 17–20 September 2007**

**Draft agenda**

- 1. Opening and arrangements for the meeting**
- 2. Adoption of the agenda**
- 3. Review of the scientific management advices**
  - 3.1. Conclusions and scientific advice addressed by the Working Group on Demersals
  - 3.2. Conclusions and scientific advice addressed by the Working Group on Small Pelagics
- 4. Review and discussion of transversal issues**
  - 4.1. Preliminary review by the Sub-Committee
  - 4.2. Review and discussion by the sub-Committees transversal session <sup>1</sup>
- 5. Conclusion of the Workshop on Trawl Survey Based Monitoring Fishery System in the Mediterranean**
- 6. Follow-up of SAC recommendations on stock assessment methodologies**
  - 6.1. Standardization of the different approaches for echo-surveys in the Mediterranean
  - 6.2. Criteria for ensuring/improving the validation of growth parameters used in stock assessments
- 7. New available information on mapping the distribution of juveniles**
- 8. Priority and shared stocks lists including the identification of criteria to update**
- 9. Improvement and update of the SAC glossary**

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<sup>1</sup> This agenda item (see content in annex) will be attended by the 4 Sub-Committees. Some issues may not be of direct interest to all SCs.

**10. General conclusions and scientific advice**

**11. 2008 SCSA workplan**

- Training courses on methodologies for stock assessment
- other activities (to be defined by the SC)

**12. Functioning of the SCSA regarding the scientific activities, in connection with its Working Groups and with the transversal activities.**

**13. Any other matters**

**14. Nomination of SCSA Coordinator and endorsement of the designation of Working Group facilitators**

**15. Date and venue of the next meeting**

**16. Adoption of the report**

**CONTENT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEES  
TRANSVERSAL SESSION  
(Agenda item 4.2)**

- 1) **Methodology to Analyse Disaggregated Fishery Data (by J. Lleonart)**
  - Conclusions of the Workshop on disaggregated Fishery Data (France, 12-16 March 2007)
  - Elaboration of guidelines on the use of disaggregated data to identify fisheries parameters (OU, fishing effort...)
- 2) **Selectivity in the Mediterranean trawl fisheries (by C. Karlou-Riga/Sacchi)**
  - Conclusions of the Workshop on selectivity in the Mediterranean trawl fisheries (Spain, 2-4 April 2007)
  - Presentation of the document on reference technics on impact of certain fishing gears on the environment
  - Works on improving gear selectivity, with special attention to trawls
- 3) **Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries (by M.N Bradai)**
  - Conclusions of the Workshop on EAF (Tunisia, 22-23 May 2007)
  - Common framework for the implementation of EAF in the Mediterranean, according to the FAO guidelines, including feasibility studies in selected GFCM GSAs.
- 4) **Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) (by C. Rais)**
  - Conclusions of the Workshop on MPAs (Tunisia, 24-25 May 2007)
  - Presentation of the inventory/synthesis of published studies on fisheries and biodiversity of the Mediterranean deep sea.
  - Proposition of new fisheries restricted areas
- 5) **The compilation of GFCM Task 1 data (by M. Camilleri)**
  - Conclusions of the Workshop on the compilation of GFCM task 1 (Morocco, 19-22 June 2007)