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**WESTERN CENTRAL ATLANTIC FISHERY COMMISSION (WECAFC)**

**SIXTEENTH SESSION**

**Guadeloupe, 20-24 June 2016**

**Provisional Programme**

**Sunday 19 June 2016**

Arrival of delegates

**Monday 20 June 2016**

*Morning session*

- 0830 Registration of delegates
- 0900 Opening of the session
- 0930 Introduction of delegates
- 1000 Election of the Chairperson and two Vice-Chairpersons for the Commission
- 1015 Adoption of the agenda and arrangements for the session
- 1030 Coffee Break
- 1045 Review of the State of Fisheries in the WECAFC region
- 1200 Lunch Break

*Afternoon session*

- 1330 Main decisions and recommendations of the thirty-first session of COFI and the fifteenth session of WECAFC
- 1430 Intersessional activities of Working Groups and other matters referred to the attention of the Commission
- 1600 Coffee break
- 1615 Report of the Seventh Session of the Scientific Advisory Group (SAG) of WECAFC
- 1645 Report by the Secretary on the financial and administrative affairs of the Commission
- 1700 Consideration of extra-budgetary funding
- 1730 End of the first day of the session

1900 Welcome dinner

## **Tuesday 21 June**

### ***Morning session***

0900 Recommendations and resolutions on fisheries management

1000 Regional collaboration in addressing IUU fishing

1045 Coffee Break

1100 Update on progress made under the WECAFC-FIRMS Partnership

1130 Programme of Work of WECAFC (2016 -2017)

1230 Lunch Break

### ***Afternoon session***

1400 Capacity building for regional fisheries governance – an introduction

1415 International legal framework and regional fisheries management institutions

1515 The CLME+ Strategic Action Programme (SAP) and the interim coordination arrangement for sustainable fisheries

1545 CARICOM -CRFM experiences in fisheries governance

1615 Coffee Break

1630 SICA - OSPESCA experiences in Fisheries governance

1700 End of the second day of the session

## **Wednesday 22 June**

### ***Morning session***

0900 ICCAT governance process and recommendations relevant for the WECAFC region

0945 The legal and policy framework for managing Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction

1030 Coffee Break

1045 Authorities and Processes Related to ABNJ in the Atlantic: International Seabed Authority

1130 Authorities and Processes Related to the ABNJ in the Atlantic: Ecosystems and Biological diversity Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ)

1200 Lunch Break

### ***Afternoon session***

1330 The FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries, its guidelines and International Plans of Action

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- 1430 Detering and eliminating IUU fishing – FAO Port State Measures Agreement
- 1530 Coffee Break
- 1545 Historical overview of WECAFC: developments and current status
- 1630 The WECAFC Strategic Reorientation process - an overview
- 1700 End of the third day of the session

### **Thursday 23 June**

#### ***Morning session***

- 0900 Strategic re-orientation of WECAFC (findings of the cost-benefit assessment)
- 0910 Findings of the independent cost-benefit assessment of the 3 options for strategic re-orientation of WECAFC
- 1030 Coffee Break
- 1030 Findings of the additional study: an assessment of the recent activities of CRFM, OSPESCA and WECAFC, including options for a regional institutional collaborative structure within an RFMO framework
- 1130 Way forward in the process of strategic re-orientation of WECAFC
- 1230 Any other matters
- 1245 Date and Place of the next session
- 1300 End of the fourth day of the session
- 1300 Lunch Break
- 1500 Study tour by bus – places of interest in Guadeloupe
- 1930 Cocktail party

### **Friday 24 June**

#### ***Morning***

- 0900 Adoption of the report
- 1030 Closure of the 16<sup>th</sup> session
- 1200 Lunch Break

#### ***Afternoon***

Departure of delegates