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IOTC CIRCULAR 2018-01

Dear Sir/Madam

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 1ST MEETING OF THE WORKING PARTY ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES

The 1st meeting of the IOTC Working Party on the Implementation of Conservation and Management Measures (WPICMM01) will be held in the Seychelles, from 5-7 March 2018. The location will be advised in the near future.

A draft agenda for the meeting is available at the following link for you to review and provide comments. Papers for the meeting will be posted to the relevant meeting pages on the same link as they are made available:

[WPICMM01 documents - click here](#)

Registration

Registration for the meeting is essential so as to allow the IOTC Secretariat sufficient time to make the necessary arrangements. Please register for the meetings on the IOTC website no later than 15 days before the Session to ensure the necessary administrative arrangements can be made with the meeting venue:

[WPICMM01 registration - click here](#) (register by 18 February 2018)

The IOTC Meeting Participation Fund (for developing IOTC Contracting Parties Members only)

The participation of one representative from developing Members of the IOTC may be supported through the IOTC Meeting Participation Fund. As per the Rules of Procedure for the administration of the IOTC Meeting Participation Fund, applications must be received by the IOTC Secretariat (iotc-secretariat@fao.org): **no later than 19 January 2018.**

Applications must include:

- i) an official nomination letter;
- ii) the contact details of the nominee (with a copy of his/her passport).

Rules of procedure for the administration of the IOTC Meeting Participation Fund as well as guidelines for applying to the MPF can be found in Appendix VIII of the IOTC Rules of Procedure (2014). [IOTC rules of procedure - click here](#). Please be reminded that there is no provision in the IOTC Rules of Procedure (2014) for the IOTC Secretariat to consider late applications to the MPF.

SWIOFC member countries please note:

The participation of two representatives from each eligible SWIOFC Member country can be supported through the SWIOFISH 2 Project (funded by the World Bank). This is in lieu of the meeting participation fund, and administration of this assistance will be the same as that described above for the IOTC Meeting Participation Fund.

Logistic information

An information document, providing details on logistical aspects of the venue and meeting arrangements, will soon be available on the meeting webpage [WPICMM01 documents - click here](#).

Distribution

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Yours sincerely



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Attachments:

- Nil