**INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE FOR TUNA AND TUNA-LIKE SPECIES IN THE NORTH PACIFIC**

**BILLFISH WORKING GROUP (BILLWG)**

DATAPREPARETORY MEETING OF WESTERN CENTORAL NORTH PACIFIC STRIPED MARLIN STOCK ASSESSMENT ANNOUNCEMENT and DRAFT AGENDA

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| **Meeting Style:** | Hybrid meeting using Microsoft Teams  The WG chair will inform the link on the day before the meeting. |
| **Meeting Dates:** | November 28-30, 2022 10:00-17:00 (JST) |
| **Meeting Venue:** | Japan Fisheries Research and Education Agency. 2-12-4 Fukuura, Kanazawa-ku, Yokohama, Kanagawa, 236-8648, JAPAN |
| **Meeting Goals:** | To agree on the data and the model configuration of Stock Synthesis 3 for WCNPO swordfish stock |
| **Meeting Attendance:** | Please respond to Hirotaka Ijima if you plan on attending this meeting.  (Email: [ijima\_hirotaka69@fra.go.jp](mailto:ijima_hirotaka69@fra.go.jp)) |
| **Working Papers:** | Submit working papers to Hirotaka Ijima by November 25th. |
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**DRAFT AGENDA**

**November 28th (Monday), 10:00 - 17:00 (JST)**

1. Opening of Billfish Working Group (BILLWG) workshop

a. Welcoming remarks

b. Introductions

c. Standard meeting protocols

2. Adoption of agenda and assignment of rapporteurs

3. Numbering working papers and distribution potential

4. Abundance Indices

a. Japanese longline CPUE

b. Taiwanese longline CPUE

c. US Hawaii longline CPUE

**December 29th (Tuesday), 10:00 - 17:00 (JST)**

5. Catch and length frequency data

a. Japanese catch and length data

b. Taiwanese catch and length data

c. US catch and length data

d. Other WCPFC and IATTC fleet data

**December 30th (Wednesday), 10:00 - 17:00 (JST)**

6. Model configurations

a. Fleet definition and data set

b. Combination of biological parameters

c. Future projection

d. Sensitivity analysis

7. Request from WCPFC Northern Committee

8. Other items

**December 5th (Monday), 10:00 - 17:00 (JST)**

9. Circulate workshop report

10. Adoption