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Draft Agenda of the Working group on Bluefin tuna, Swordfish and the Impact of oil and gas drilling in the Mediterranean

President Hotel, 43 Kifissias Ave., 11523 Athens, Greece, 9th October 2012

1. Opening of the meeting by the Executive Secretary of the MED RAC (9,30)
2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Briefing of the 2012 Bluefin Tuna campaign by a Community Fisheries Control Agency representative- Ignacio de Leiva AECF/EFCA.
4. Coffee break (10,30-10,45)*
5. Report by George Tserpes - scientific expert on large pelagic fishes and *rapporteur* of the ICCAT group dealing with the Mediterranean swordfish stock - research director at the Hellenic Centre for Marine Research (HCMR), Greece.
6. Buffet lunch (13,00-14,00)*
7. Presentation of a representative of DG MARE on Bluefin tuna and Swordfish for the upcoming ICCAT Annual Session (to be confirmed)
8. Presentation by Fabio Badalamenti, researcher at the IAMC-CNR in Mazara del Vallo, on the impact of oil and gas drilling in the Mediterranean.
9. Exchange of views and discussion with an eventual adoption of a MED RAC position paper. Eventual adoption of a position paper to submit at the EXCOM in time for the upcoming ICCAT Annual session meeting.
10. Any other business

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