



Scientific Advisory Committee on Fisheries (SAC)

Working Group on Recreational Fisheries (WGRF)

**Online, Zoom
25–26 February 2021**

DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

THURSDAY 25 FEBRUARY

Morning, 09.00–12.00 hours (CET)

1. Opening and arrangements of the meeting

- Welcome
- Introduction of participants
- Adoption of the agenda and appointment of the chairperson and rapporteurs
- Introduction of the working group objectives and expected outputs

2. Recreational fisheries monitoring: data collection and end-user needs

Following work during the intersession to review and finalize the “Handbook for data collection on recreational fisheries in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea”, advances in piloting the handbook through studies in select GFCM CPCs will be presented, together with preliminary results. Additional contributions, detailing existing studies and their outcomes, are foreseen. Discussion is envisaged to focus on end-user needs, including priority species for future data collection

- Advances and preliminary results from the application of the “Handbook for data collection on recreational fisheries in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea” through select pilot studies (*by the GFCM Secretariat, together with pilot study national focal points: Marouene Bdioui, Luca Bolognini, Ahmet Faruk, Murat Erbay, Naciba Labidi Neghli, Imad Lahoud and Anas Mokdad*)

- - - Coffee break - - -

- Selected technical contributions on recreational fisheries data collection and end-user needs in the GFCM area of application
 - Recreational fishing in the Moroccan Mediterranean: development and constraints (*by Omar Kada*)
 - Recreational Fisheries in Egypt 2020 (*by Abdelrazek Mohamed Badr, Fatma Elzahraa Mohamed Badr and Shimaa Hussin*)
 - What digital data can tell us about marine recreational fisheries? (*by Valerio Sbragaglia*)

Afternoon, 15.00–17.00 hours (CET)

- Online and on-site surveys on the recreational fishing activity: results of a pilot study in the Catalan region and an ongoing monitoring program (*by Ariadna Purroy Albet and Arnau Luk Dedeu Dunton*)
- MEDAC Stakeholder suggestions for priority coastal species (*by Marzia Piron*)
- Dpesca: Connecting Recreational fishers and scientists (*by Matías Lozano*)

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- Discussion on end-user needs, including main coastal species addressed by recreational fisheries

FRIDAY 26 FEBRUARY

Morning, 09.00–12.00 hours (CET)

3. Interactions between recreational fisheries and small-scale fisheries

A desk study on the interactions between SSF and RF, as well as presentations from participants focusing on the interactions between these two sectors will be presented and discussed. Contributions are expected to focus on existing examples of sources of potential conflicts/synergies between recreational and small-scale fisheries, such as competition for resources, spatial interactions, illegal unreported and unregulated fishing (IUU), and show examples of successful and failed attempts to reduce, mitigate or solve these conflicts. Discussion will focus on next steps towards addressing these interactions.

- Overview and main conclusions from the desk study on small-scale and recreational fisheries interactions in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea (*by Aylin Ulman and Vahdet Ünal*)
- Presentation of relevant initiatives
 - Spatial conflicts between SSF and MRF (*by Martina Scanu/AdriaMed*)
 - MEDAC Interactions of fishing gears used by RF and SSF (*by Marzia Piron*)
 - Impact of recreational fisheries on small-scale fisheries in Algeria (*by Nadjiba Seghir*)

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- Conflicts between charter fishing and SSF in the Aegean Sea, Turkey (*by Fikret Öndes and Vahdet Ünal*)
- Discussion of future work to address SSF and RF interactions, including common main coastal species

Afternoon, 15.00–17.00 hours (CET)

4. Conclusions and recommendations

5. Any other matter

6. Closure of the meeting