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AGAC four oceans Integral Purse Seine Tropical Tuna Fishery

MSC Use of the Risk-Based Framework (RBF) in a Fishery Assessment

1 Notification - Site Visit using RBF

This fishery is entering the 'information gathering' stage of the assessment against the MSC Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Fishing.

A key purpose of the site visit is to collect information and speak to stakeholders with an interest in the fishery. For those parts of the assessment involving the MSC's Risk Based Framework (RBF, see <http://www.msc.org/about-us/standards/methodologies/fam/msc-risk-based-framework>), we will be using a stakeholder-driven, qualitative analysis during the site visit. To achieve a robust outcome from this consultative approach, we rely heavily on participation of a broad range of stakeholders with a balance of knowledge of the fishery. We encourage any stakeholders with experience or knowledge of the fishery to participate in these meetings.

There is now a consultation period which will complete in 60 days from the date of this announcement (20th October 2020 at 5pm UTC) for stakeholders to comment on the PIs and rationale proposed on the following page.

The following performance indicators may be scored using the RBF:

- 2.2.1 Secondary species outcome
- 2.3.1 ETP outcome

The fishery assessment team will visit the client remotely during commencing 21st October 2020. If you would like to talk to the assessors, **please advise us of your interest at your earliest convenience before the site visit, at the very latest 17.00 UTC on the 20th October 2020**, giving the following details:

- your name and contact details;
- your association with the fishery;
- the issues you would like to discuss (in order for us to arrange appropriate representation).

Enquiries should be sent in the first instance to:

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Table 1 – Fishery information

1	Fishery name
	AGAC four oceans Integral Purse Seine Tropical Tuna Fishery
2	CAB
	Acoura Marine t/a Lloyd's Register
3	Date that the proposal to use the RBF is submitted to the MSC
	21 st August 2020
4	Date stakeholder comment period closes on the proposal to use the RBF
	20 th October 2020
5	PI that the RBF is to be applied for
	PI 2.3.1 and PI 2.2.1 across all four oceans (all four ACDRs)
6	Justification for use
	<p>As per FCP v2.1, 7.7.3 and Table 3, the justification for potentially needing to use RBF is as follows.:</p> <p>PI 2.2.1 – biologically based limits are not available, derived either from analytical stock assessment or using empirical approaches (see Principle 2 background section and scoring of PI 2.2.1 in each ACDR).</p> <p>PI 2.3.1 – the impact of the fishery in assessment on ETP species be analytically determined (oceanic whitetip, mantas and mobulids, silky shark, see Principle 2 background section and scoring of PI 2.3.1 in each ACDR). Whereas the extent of interactions of the UoA with ETP species is known (e.g. available information on catch, bycatch and fate) and direct effects (number/volume) without an understanding of the relative contribution of the UoA to mortality or an indication of stock status or size for the ETP species under assessment it is not possible to assess the impact of the UoA analytically with respect to those ETP species stock status.</p> <p>Stakeholder comments on the use of the RBF need to be considered (FCP v2.1 Annex PF2.1.1.e). The stakeholder comment and CAB response shall be included in the Public Comment Draft Report (FCP v2.1 7.20.6.a).</p>

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