

## INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA COMMISSION

### **AD HOC WORKING GROUP TO STRENGTHEN THE DIALOGUE AMONG SCIENTISTS, MANAGERS AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS ON MANAGEMENT STRATEGY EVALUATION (WORKING GROUP ON MSE, WGMSE)**

**2nd MEETING**  
*(by videoconference)*  
**11-12 August 2025**

## ANNOUNCEMENT

### BACKGROUND

Harvest strategies (often referred to as management procedures) are completely specified integrated combinations of agreed upon data inputs, analyses applied to that data and the harvest control rule used to determine specific management actions (e.g., catch quotas, length of fishing seasons) to achieve management objectives. Harvest strategies can be evaluated using a process called Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE), involving a dialogue component between scientists, managers and other stakeholders, to specify the components, along with computer simulation of candidate strategies.

To provide a venue for this dialogue component, the Commission adopted Resolution C-24-08 to create an Ad Hoc Working Group to strengthen the dialogue among scientists, managers and other stakeholders on MSE, with its first meeting held on May 31, 2025. At that meeting (WGMSE-01), the group requested a second meeting to be held in early August 2025 to further progress discussions in advance of the 103rd Meeting of the IATTC.

The primary objectives of the second meeting of the Working Group (WGMSE-02) will be to review and revise the draft communications plan for the working group, as well as the draft management objectives, candidate harvest strategies, and workplan for the bigeye tuna harvest strategy, so participants are encouraged to please review those documents in advance of the meeting to prepare for the discussions.

### PARTICIPATION

Scientists, managers, and other interested parties from governments, industry, NGOs, and other stakeholders are encouraged to attend (see tentative agenda). A registration form will be posted on the meeting website to allow for individual registration. It would be most appreciated if participants express their intent to attend to Ms. Monica Galvan, Assistant to the Director, at [mgalvan@iattc.org](mailto:mgalvan@iattc.org).

**ARRANGEMENTS:** The Meeting will be held by videoconference (utilizing the Zoom platform). An invitation will be sent individually to each registered participant.

The Meeting will be held on **11-12 August 2025** from **2 p.m. PDT (UTC -7)** to around **6 PM PDT (UTC -7)**.

Languages: English and Spanish with simultaneous interpretation.