

**INTERNATIONAL DOLPHIN CONSERVATION PROGRAM
PERMANENT WORKING GROUP ON TUNA TRACKING
45TH MEETING
(by videoconference)
16 August 2021**

REPORT OF THE MEETING

AGENDA

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3. Review of the implementation of the Dolphin Safe Certification System	TT-45-01
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* Including the adoption of *ad hoc* rules and arrangements for the 42nd meeting only.

APPENDIX

1. List of attendees

The 45th meeting of the Permanent Working Group on Tuna Tracking was held by videoconference on 16 August 2021.

1. Opening of the meeting

The meeting was opened by Amb. Jean-François Pulvenis, Director *ad interim* of the IATTC, who welcomed the participants and gave the floor to the Chair of the Working Group, Mr. David Hogan of the United States.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Review of the implementation of the [Dolphin Safe Certification System](#)

Mr. Marlon Román, from the Secretariat’s staff, presented Document [TT-45-01, “Review of the implementation of the dolphin safe certification system.”](#) It was reported that, as of 10 August 2021, the Secretariat had received 1,269 TTFs—both original and digital—from the 1,305 trips that concluded between 16 September 2018 and 25 May 2021; this represents 97% of compliance.

Additionally, between 16 September 2019 and 12 July 2021, the Secretariat received 1,028 copies of dolphin-safe certificates corresponding to 341 TTFs completed during 340 fishing trips. 1,004 certificates were considered valid; 19 certificates were voided by the national authority; 4 certificates were voided because they recorded trips that were covered by observers from a program not affiliated with the AIDCP, and one certificate was voided because it referenced a TTF number that was not issued. The certified tonnage (138,451 t) represents 14.9% of the total of 928,540 t recorded as dolphin safe on the TTFs of the 1,305 trips completed during the reporting period (16 September 2019 to 25 May 2021).

4. Other business

No other business was discussed.

5. Recommendations for the International Review Panel

There were no recommendations for the International Review Panel (IRP).

6. Place and date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Working Group will be held on the dates agreed for the meetings of the AIDCP in October 2021.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 on 16 August 2021.