

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON
COLLABORATION**

between

**THE INTER-AMERICAN TROPICAL TUNA
COMMISSION**

and

SHANGHAI OCEAN UNIVERSITY

The Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (hereinafter IATTC) and the Shanghai Ocean University (hereinafter SOU), both referred to as “the Parties”:

RECOGNISING that the objective of the IATTC under the 2003 Antigua Convention is to ensure the long-term conservation and sustainable use of the fish stocks covered by that Convention and that the functions of the IATTC also include the conservation of species and ecosystems associated with these fish stocks or otherwise impacted by the fisheries targeting them;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the significant contributions of Shanghai Ocean University in such fields as aquaculture, marine fisheries, marine resources, aquatic products processing, fishery economic management, environmental protection, and species protection;

RECOGNIZING the mutual benefits that would derive for both organizations from a more direct contact and collaboration between them;

DESIROUS to put into place a framework to enable, facilitate and promote this contact and collaboration.

Agree as follows:



1. AREAS OF COOPERATION

The IATTC and SOU agree to encourage and develop collaboration on matters of common scientific interest to the two organizations, including, but not limited, to scientific research concerning the fish stocks covered by the Antigua Convention, their associated or dependent species, and the effects of natural factors and human activities of these fish stocks and species as well as on their related ecosystems and the biodiversity.

2. MANNER OF COOPERATION

The terms of collaboration for each specific activity implemented under this Memorandum of Understanding shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by both Parties prior to the initiation of that activity, subject to the availability of the necessary financial and human resources.

3. MODIFICATION AND AMENDMENTS

This Memorandum of Understanding may be subject to modification and amendment by mutual consent of both Parties, expressed in writing.

4. ENTRY INTO FORCE AND TERMINATION

- i. This Memorandum of Understanding will enter into force on the day of its second signature and shall continue in effect for a period of three (3) years from that date.
- ii. The validity of this Memorandum of Understanding will be renewed automatically for successive periods of three (3) years, in the absence of a written notification to the contrary by one Party to the other, at least one (1) month before its expiry.
- iii. Each Party may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding for any reason through a written notification to the other Party, which will become effective six (6) months after the date of the notification.

5. PUBLICITY

Nothing in this Memorandum of Understanding shall be construed as granting either Party permission to use the other Party's official names, logos, trademarks or copyright protected insignias in any material or publication without the express consent of the other



Party.

6. NON-BINDING TERMS

This Memorandum of Understanding shall not be construed as creating any legally binding rights or obligations on the part of either Party and shall not be enforceable in law or equity in any court or tribunal for any purpose.

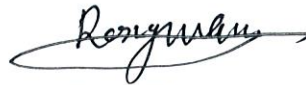
Signed on behalf of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) and the Shanghai Ocean University (SOU):



Jean-Francois Pulvenis

IATTC Director *ad interim*

Date: 08 August 2022



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SOU President

Date: 15 September 2022