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**DRAFT: AGENDA & SCHEDULE FOR THE 99<sup>th</sup> SESSION  
OF THE IPHC INTERIM MEETING (IM099)**

**Date:** 30 November – 1 December 2023

**Location:** Electronic

**Venue:** Adobe Connect

**Time:** 09:00-17:00 (PST) daily

**Chairperson:** Mr Jon Kurland (USA)

**Vice-Chairperson:** Mr Paul Ryall (Canada)

**Notes:**

- **Document deadline:** 31 October 2023 (30 days prior to the opening of the Session)
- All sessions are open to observers and the general public, unless the Commission specifically decides otherwise.
- All sessions will be webcast. Webcast sessions will also take audience comments and questions as directed by the Chairperson of the Commission.

**AGENDA FOR THE 99<sup>th</sup> SESSION  
OF THE IPHC INTERIM MEETING (IM099)**

- 1. OPENING OF THE SESSION** (Chairperson)
- 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION**  
(Chairperson & Executive Director)
- 3. IPHC PROCESS** (D. Wilson)
  - 3.1 Update on actions arising from the 99<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM099), 2023 Special Sessions, and intersessional decisions (D. Wilson)
  - 3.2 Report of the IPHC Secretariat (2023): Draft (D. Wilson & B. Hutniczak)
  - 3.3 2<sup>nd</sup> IPHC Performance Review (PRIPHC02): Implementation of recommendations (D. Wilson)
  - 3.4 Report of the 18<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPHC Management Strategy Advisory Board (MSAB018) (Co-Chairpersons)
  - 3.5 Reports of the IPHC Scientific Review Board (SRB Chairperson)
  - 3.6 Report of the 24<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPHC Research Advisory Board (RAB024) (D. Wilson, J. Planas)
  - 3.7 International Pacific Halibut Commission 5-year program of Integrated Research and Monitoring (2022-26) (D. Wilson, J. Planas, I. Stewart, A. Hicks, B. Hutniczak, & R. Webster)
- 4. FISHERY MONITORING**
  - 4.1 Fishery-dependent data overview (2023) (B. Hutniczak)
  - 4.2 Fishery-independent data overview (2023)

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4.2.1 IPHC Fishery-Independent Setline Survey (FISS) design and implementation in 2023 (K. Ualesi)

**5. STOCK STATUS OF PACIFIC HALIBUT (2023)**

5.1 Space-time modelling of survey data (R. Webster)

5.2 Stock Assessment: Data overview and stock assessment (2023)

**6. MANAGEMENT STRATEGY EVALUATION**

6.1 IPHC Management Strategy Evaluation: update (A. Hicks)

**7. HARVEST DECISION TABLE 2024**

7.1 Stock projections and harvest decision table 2024-2026 (I. Stewart & A. Hicks)

**8. FISS DESIGN EVALUATIONS 2024-2028**

8.1 2024-28 FISS design evaluation (R. Webster)

**9. BIOLOGICAL AND ECOSYSTEM SCIENCES – PROJECT UPDATES**

9.1 Report on Current and Future Biological and Ecosystem Science Research Activities (J. Planas)

**10. IPHC FISHERY REGULATIONS: PROPOSALS FOR THE 2023-24 PROCESS**

10.1 IPHC Secretariat fishery regulation proposals (B. Hutniczak)

10.2 Contracting Party fishery regulation proposals (Contracting Parties)

10.3 Stakeholder fishery regulation proposals (Stakeholders)

10.4 Stakeholder statements (B. Hutniczak)

**11. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

11.1 FY2023 Budget: update (D. Wilson, A. Keikkala)

**12. OTHER BUSINESS**

12.1 Preparation for the 100<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM100) and associated subsidiary bodies (D. Wilson)

**13. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE 99<sup>th</sup> SESSION OF THE IPHC INTERIM MEETING (IM099) (Chairperson & Executive Director)**

## SCHEDULE FOR THE 99<sup>th</sup> SESSION OF THE IPHC INTERIM MEETING (IM099)

| Thursday, 30 November 2023 |  |  |
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| Time                       | Agenda item  | Lead   |
| 09:00-09:10                | 1. Opening of the Session  | Chairperson  |
| 09:10-09:20                | 2. Adoption of the agenda and arrangements for the Session   | Chairperson  |
| 09:20-10:15                | 3. IPHC Process<br>3.1 Update on actions arising from the 99th Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM099), 2023 Special Sessions, and intersessional decisions (D. Wilson)<br>3.2 Report of the IPHC Secretariat (2023): Draft (D. Wilson & B. Hutniczak)<br>3.3 2 <sup>nd</sup> IPHC Performance Review (PRIPHC02): Implementation of recommendations (D. Wilson)<br>3.4 Report of the 18 <sup>th</sup> Session of the IPHC Management Strategy Advisory Board (MSAB018) (Co-Chairpersons)<br>3.5 Reports of the IPHC Scientific Review Board (SRB Chairperson)<br>3.6 Report of the 24 <sup>th</sup> Session of the IPHC Research Advisory Board (RAB024) (D. Wilson, J. Planas)<br>3.7 International Pacific Halibut Commission 5-year program of Integrated Research and Monitoring (2022-26) (D. Wilson, J. Planas, I. Stewart, A. Hicks, B. Hutniczak, & R. Webster) | D. Wilson<br>D. Wilson<br>D. Wilson<br>MSAB Co-Chairpersons<br>SRB Chairperson<br>D. Wilson & J. Planas<br>D. Wilson |
| 10:15-10:30                | 4. Fishery Monitoring<br>4.1 Fishery-dependent data overview (2023)  | B. Hutniczak   |
| 10:30-10:45                | Break  |  |
| 10:45-11:15                | 4.2 Fishery-independent data overview (2023)<br>4.2.1 IPHC Fishery-Independent Setline Survey (FISS) design and implementation in 2023   | K. Ualesi  |
| 11:15-12:30                | 5. Stock status of Pacific halibut (2023)<br>5.1 Space-time modelling of survey data   | R. Webster   |
| 12:30-13:30                | Lunch  |  |
| 13:30-14:45                | 5.2 Stock Assessment: Data overview and stock assessment (2023)<br><i>Public comment and questions (Agenda Items 3-5.2)</i>  | I. Stewart   |
| 14:45-15:30                | 6. Management strategy evaluation<br>6.1 IPHC Management Strategy Evaluation: update   | A. Hicks   |
| 15:30-15:45                | Break  |  |

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| 15:45-16:15                    | 7. Harvest decision table 2024<br><i>Public comment and questions (Agenda Item 6-7)</i>   | I. Stewart  |
| 16:15-17:00                    | 8. FISS design evaluations 2024-2028<br>8.1 2024-28 FISS design evaluation<br><i>Public comment and questions (Agenda Item 8)</i>   | R. Webster  |
| <b>Friday, 1 December 2023</b> |   |   |
| 09:00-10:00                    | 9. Biological and ecosystem sciences – project updates<br><i>Public comment and questions (Agenda Item 9)</i>   | J. Planas   |
| 10:00-10:30                    | 10. IPHC Fishery Regulations: Proposals for the 2023-24 process<br>8.1 IPHC Secretariat fishery regulation proposals<br>8.2 Contracting Party fishery regulation proposals)<br>8.3 Stakeholder fishery regulation proposals<br>8.4 Stakeholder statements<br><i>Public comment and questions (Agenda Item 10)</i> | B. Hutniczak<br>Contracting Parties<br>Stakeholders<br>B. Hutniczak |
| 10:30-10:45                    | Break   |   |
| 10:45-12:15                    | 11. Finance and Administration<br>11.1 FY2023 Budget: update  | D. Wilson &<br>A. Keikkala  |
| 12:15-12:30                    | 12. Other business<br>12.1 Preparation for the 100 <sup>th</sup> Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM100) and associated subsidiary bodies  | D. Wilson &<br>A. Keikkala  |
| 12:30-13:30                    | Lunch   |   |
| 13:30-14:30                    | Report drafting Session   | IPHC Secretariat  |
| 14:30-14:45                    | Break   |   |
| 14:45-17:00                    | 13. Review of the draft and adoption of the Report of the 99 <sup>th</sup> Session of the IPHC Interim Meeting (IM099)  | Chairperson &<br>Executive Director                                 |