

Schedule of International Meetings and Events 2007-2009

November 1, 2007

Dates	Location	Activity*
2007		
OCT 22-NOV 2	Hobart, Tasmania	26 th Annual Meeting of CCAMLR
OCT 26- NOV 4	Victoria, B.C., Canada	PICES 16 th Annual Meeting on "The Changing North Pacific: Previous Patterns, Future Projections, and Ecosystem Impacts"
NOV 5-7	Rome, Italy	FAO Workshop on Knowledge and Data on Deep-Sea Fisheries in the High Seas
NOV 5-7	Rome, Italy	FAO Technical Consultation: Guidelines for Responsible Fish Trade
NOV 5-8	Birkirkara, Malta	Pacem in Maribus: Women, Youth and the Sea, Partnering for the Protection of the Marine Environment and the Sustainable Use of Its Resources
NOV 5-9	Punta Cana, Dominican Republic	60 th Annual Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Institute Conference
NOV 5-15	Banjul, Gambia	CECAF Demersal Species Working Group Meeting
NOV 9-10	Antalya, Turkey	Meeting of the ICCAT Compliance Committee
NOV 12-16	London, UK	26 th Annual Meeting of the NEAFC
NOV 12-17	Valencia, Spain	27 th Session of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
NOV 12-18	Antalya, Turkey	ICCAT 20 th Regular Meeting of the Commission
NOV 14-16	Seoul, Korea	Ocean Policy Forum
NOV 19-21	Geneva, Switzerland	68 th IUCN Council Meeting
NOV 19-30	London, UK	25 th Regular Session of the IMO Assembly
NOV 20-23	Kochi, India	8 th Asian Fisheries Forum: Fisheries and Aquaculture--Strategic Outlook for Asia
NOV 20-23	London, UK	ICES Symposium on "Environmental Indicators: Utility in Meeting Regulatory Needs"
NOV 28-29	Narvik, Norway	Meeting of Senior Arctic Officials
NOV 30	London, UK	99 th Session Of the IMO Council
DEC 3	Tumon, Guam	2 nd IATTC-WCPFC Consultative Meeting
DEC 3-7	La Paz, Mexico	1 st CLIOTOP Symposium
DEC 3-7	Tumon, Guam	4 th Regular Session of the WCPFC
DEC 4-6	Casablanca, Morocco	5 th Session of the CECAF Scientific Sub-Committee

DEC 11-13	Mahé, Seychelles	CMS Meeting to Identify and Elaborate an Option for International Cooperation on Migratory Sharks
DEC 13-15	Hakodate, Japan	3 rd Japan-China-Korea Joint GLOBEC Symposium
DEC 18-21	Seychelles	3 rd Session of the SWIOFC
2008		
JAN 14-18	Portland, OR	PSC Post-Season Meeting
JAN 15-18	Portland, OR	84 th Annual Meeting of the IPhC
JAN 21-25	Geneva, Switzerland	6 th Meeting of the CBD Open-ended Working Group on Access and Benefit Sharing
FEB 4-8	Rome, Italy	FAO Technical Consultation on International Guidelines for the Management of Deep-Sea Fisheries in the High Seas
FEB 11-15	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	PSC 23 rd Annual Meeting
FEB 11-15	Rome, Italy	2 nd Meeting of the CBD <i>Ad Hoc</i> Open-Ended Working Group on Protected Areas
FEB 18-22	Rome, Italy	13 th Meeting of the SBSTTA (CBD)
FEB 25-29	Rome, Italy	32 nd Session of the GFCM
FEB 25-29	Gland, Switzerland	36 th Standing Committee Meeting of RAMSAR
FEB 27-29	Vancouver, BC, Canada	NPAFC Enforcement Evaluation and Coordination Meeting
MAR 10-12	Guayaquil, Ecuador	5 th Meeting of the SPRFMO Negotiations
MAR 17-18	London, UK	Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing--4 th Chatham House Update and Stakeholder Consultation Meeting
APR 2-4	Oxford, UK	Food Security and Environmental Change: Linking Science, Development and Policy for Adaptation
APR 7-11	Hanoi, Vietnam	4th Global Conference on Oceans, Coasts, and Islands: Advancing Ecosystem Management and Integrated Coastal and Ocean Management by 2010 in the Context of Climate Change
APR 10-11	Sokcho-si, Korea	NPAFC Research Planning and Coordinating Meeting
APR 19	Geneva, Switzerland	Joint Meeting of the CITES Animals and Plants Committees
APR 21-24	Geneva, Switzerland	23 rd Meeting of the CITES Animals Committee
APR 28-MAY 2	New York, NY	UN Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Marine Biodiversity
APR (TBD)	Hobart, Tasmania	CCAMLR-IWC Workshop
APR-MAY	TBD	ICCAT Intercessional Meeting

MAY 12-16	La Jolla, CA	9 th Meeting of the IATTC Working Group on Stock Assessment
MAY 12-16	Bonn, Germany	4 th Meeting of the COP serving as the Meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety
May 12-16	Bonn, Germany	Biodiversity Research – Safeguarding The Future
MAY 19-23	Gijón, Spain	International Symposium on "Effects of climate change on the world's oceans" (co-sponsored by ICES, PICES, IOC, GLOBEC, SCOR and WCRP)
MAY 19-30	Bonn, Germany	9 th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the CBD
MAY TBD	Montreal, Canada	Special Session of NAFO
MAY TBD	Russia	Fourth Inter-Governmental Meeting on Management of High Seas Bottom Fisheries in the North Western Pacific Ocean
JUN 2-6	Spain	25 th Annual Meeting of NASCO
JUN 2-6	Bremen, Germany	11 th Session of the COFI Sub-Committee on Fish Trade
JUN 9-13	New York, NY	UN 9 th Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea,
JUN 16-20	Bergen, Norway	ICES Symposium on the Ecosystem Approach with Fisheries Acoustics and Complementary Technologies
JUN 16-27	Panama City, Panama	IATTC and AIDCP Annual Meetings
JUN 23-27	Rome, Italy	FAO Technical Consultation to draft a legally-binding instrument on port State measures to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing
JUN 23-27	Santiago, Chile	60 TH Annual Meeting of the IWC
JUL 7-11	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	11 th International Coral Reef Symposium
JUL 8-11	Rome, Italy	FAO International Symposium on Coping with Global Change in Marine Social-ecological Systems
JUL 14-18	Geneva, Switzerland	57th Meeting of the CITES Standing Committee
AUG 11-22	Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea	4 th Regular Session of the WCPFC Scientific Committee
AUG 17-21	Ottawa, Canada	138 th Annual Meeting of the AFS
AUG 26-29	Galway, Ireland	Herring: Linking biology, ecology and status of populations in the context of changing environments (ICES/GLOBEC/PICES Symposium)
SEPT 9-11	Tokyo, Japan	4 th Regular Session of the WCPFC Northern Committee
SEPT 22-26	TBD, Spain	30 th Annual Meeting of NAFO

SEPT 25-30	Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia	4 th Regular Session of the WCPFC Technical and Compliance Committee
SEPT TBD	Russia	13 th Annual Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Pollock Resources in the Central Bering Sea
OCT 5-14	Barcelona, Spain	4 th IUCN World Conservation Congress
OCT 6-10	Puerto Varas, Chile	4 th Session of the COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture
OCT 20-24	Yokohama, Japan	5 th World Fisheries Congress
OCT 21-23	TBD	PSC Executive Session
OCT 21-24	Rome, Italy	7 th Session of the ACFR
OCT 23-NOV 2	Dalian, China	PICES 17 th Annual Meeting
OCT 28-NOV 4	Changwon, Republic of Korea	10 th Conference of the Parties to the RAMSAR Convention on Wetlands
OCT 29-31	Sao Tome and Principe	19 th Session of CECAF
NOV 9-21	Rome, Italy	9 th Conference of the Parties to the CMS
NOV 17-21	Seattle, WA	16 th Annual Meeting of the NPAFC
NOV 23-25	Seattle, WA	NPAFC BASIS Symposium on Climate Change, Production Trends, and Carrying Capacity of Pacific Salmon in the Bering Sea and Adjacent Waters
NOV TBD	TBD	CMS Conference of the Parties (COP9)
NOV TBD	TBD	ICCAT 21 st Regular Meeting of the Commission
DEC 1-5	Wellington, New Zealand	4 th International Symposium on Deep Sea Corals
DEC 3-7	Busan, Korea	5 th Regular Session of the WCPFC
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JAN 12-16	Vancouver, BC, Canada	PSC Post-Season Meeting
FEB 9-13	Portland, OR	24 th Annual Meeting of the PSC
OCT 20-22	Alaska	PSC Executive Session

* The Office of International Affairs, National Marine Fisheries Service, has compiled this schedule to inform the public of living marine resource-related international meetings or events that are of interest to the United States Government. The schedule does not constitute a travel schedule for the National Marine Fisheries Service.

List of Acronyms

ACAP	Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels
ACFM	Advisory Committee on Fisheries Management (ICES)
ACFR	Advisory Committee on Fisheries Research (ICES)
AEWC	Alaska Eskimo Whaling Commission
AFS	American Fisheries Society
AIDCP	Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Program
AIFRB	American Institute of Fishery Research Biologists
AMAP	Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Program (Arctic Council)
APEC	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation
APFIC	Asia-Pacific Fishery Commission
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
ATCM	Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting
BASIS	Bering-Aleutian Salmon International Survey Plan
BFT	Bluefin Tuna
CAFF	Program for the Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna (Arctic Council)
CAFTA-DR	Dominican Republic–Central America Free Trade Agreement
CBD	Convention on Biological Diversity
CCAMLR	Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources
CCSBT	Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna
CEC	North American Commission for Environmental Cooperation
CECAF	Fishery Committee for the Eastern Central Atlantic
CEP	Committee on Environmental Protection (CCAMLR)
CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna
CMS	Convention on Migratory Species
CLIOTOP	Climate Impacts on Oceanic Top Predators (GLOBEC)
COFI	Committee on Fisheries (FAO) and (OECD)
COMAAR	Coordinated Observation of the Arctic for Assessment and Research
COML	Census of Marine Life
COP	Conference of the Parties
CRTF	Coral Reef Task Force
CSD	Commission on Sustainable Development
CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization (Australia)
CTE	Committee on Trade and Environment
ECOSOC	Economic and Social Council (UN)
EMM	Ecosystem Monitoring and Management (CCAMLR)
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
FFC	Forum Fisheries Committee (Forum Fisheries Agency)
FSA	Fish Stock Assessment (CCAMLR)
GAC	General Advisory Committee (IATTC)
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GCFI	Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Institute
GEF	Global Environment Facility
GeoHAB	Marine Geological and Biological Habitat Mapping

GFCM	General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean
GLOBEC	Global Ecosystem Dynamics
IAC	Inter-American Convention for the Protection and Conservation of Sea Turtles
IATTC	Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission
IBSFC	International Baltic Sea Fisheries Commission
ICC	Intergovernmental Consultative Committee (US-Russia)
ICCAT	International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas
ICES	International Council for the Exploration of the Sea
ICRI	International Coral Reef Initiative
IIFET	International Institute of Fisheries Economics and Trade
IMO	International Maritime Organization
IOC	Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
IOSEA	Indian Ocean South East Asian (MOU for sea turtles)
IOTC	Indian Ocean Tuna Commission
IPHC	International Pacific Halibut Commission
IRP	International Review Panel (AIDCP)
ISC	North Pacific Interim Scientific Committee for Tuna and Tuna-like Species
IUCN	World Conservation Union
IUU	Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported Fishing
IWC	International Whaling Commission
KORDI	Korean Ocean Research and Development Institute
LOS	Law of the Sea (Convention)
MCS	Monitoring, Control, and Surveillance
MPA	Marine Protected Area
MOP	Meeting of the Parties
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NAAEC	North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation
NAFO	Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
NASCO	North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization
NEAFC	North East Atlantic Fisheries Commission
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
NPAFC	North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
PAME	Protection of the Arctic Marine Environment (Arctic Council)
PICES	North Pacific Marine Science Organization
PREPCOM	Preparatory Committee
PSC	Pacific Salmon Commission
PWG	Permanent Working Group (ICCAT)
RAMSAR	RAMSAR Convention on Wetlands
SBSTTA	Subsidiary Body for Scientific, Technical, and Technological Advice (Convention on Biological Diversity)
SCAR	Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research
SCOR	Scientific Committee on Oceanic Research (IOC)
SCPA	Standing Committee on the Precautionary Approach (NASCO)
SCRS	Standing Committee on Research and Statistics (ICCAT)

SEAFDEC	Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center
SPAW	Protocol Concerning Specially Protected Areas and Wildlife in the Wider Caribbean (Cartegena Convention)
SPC	Secretariat of the Pacific Community
SPRFMO	South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organization
SPTT	South Pacific Tuna Treaty
STACTIC	Standing Committee on International Control (NAFO)
SWIOFC	Southwest Indian Ocean Fisheries Commission
T	Tentative
TBD	To Be Determined
TED	Turtle Excluder Device
UNCED	United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
UNCSD	United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development
UNEP	United Nations Environment Program
UNFSA	United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement (for straddling and high migratory stocks)
UNICPOLIS	United Nations Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and Law of the Sea
WCPFC	Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission
WDFG	Washington Department of Fish and Game
WECAFC	Western Central Atlantic Fishery Commission
WSSD	World Summit on Sustainable Development (United Nations)
WTO	World Trade Organization