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NMFS Requests Nominations for the Atlantic HMS SEDAR Pool

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is soliciting nominations for the Advisory Panel (AP) for Atlantic Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Southeast Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR) Workshops. This AP is also called the "SEDAR Pool." The SEDAR Pool is a group from which individuals will be selected to review and/or provide the data and analyses and advise NMFS regarding the scientific information, including but not limited to, data and models used in stock assessments for sharks in the Atlantic Ocean, Gulf of Mexico, and Caribbean Sea.

The primary purpose of the individuals in the SEDAR Pool is to review and/or provide at SEDAR workshops the scientific information, including but not limited to data, analyses, and models, used in stock assessments that are used to advise NMFS about the conservation and management of the Atlantic HMS, specifically but not limited to, Atlantic sharks. Individuals in the SEDAR Pool may participate in the various data, assessment, and review workshops.

Individuals with definable interests in the recreational and commercial fishing and related industries, environmental community, academia, and non-governmental organizations will be considered for membership on the SEDAR Pool. Nominations are invited from all individuals and constituent groups for a 3-year appointment. Nomination packages should include:

1. The name, address, phone, and email of the applicant or nominee;
2. A description of his/her interest or expertise in Atlantic shark stock assessments or the fishery;
3. A statement of background and/or qualifications; and
4. A written commitment that the applicant or nominee shall participate actively and in good faith in the tasks of the SEDAR Pool.

You may submit nominations and request the SEDAR Pool Statement of Organization, Practices, and Procedures by any of the following methods via email (SEDAR.pool@noaa.gov); mail (Karyl Brewster-Geisz Highly Migratory Species Management Division, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910); or fax: 301-713-1917. Nominations must be received by February 18, 2010. Additional information on SEDAR and the SEDAR guidelines can be found at <http://www.sefsc.noaa.gov/sedar/>. This notice is a courtesy to Atlantic HMS fisheries interests to keep you informed about your fishery. Official notice of Federal fishery actions is made through filing such notice with the Office of the Federal Register. For further information, contact Karyl Brewster-Geisz at (301) 713-2347.

NOTE: NMFS is planning on conducting sandbar, dusky, and blacknose shark stock assessments this coming year. Tentatively, the data workshop for these assessments will be held in June 2010 and the assessment workshops (to be done via webinar) will begin in September 2010. If you have data, expertise, or history with these species, please consider submitting your name for placement in the SEDAR Pool.

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