



TERMS OF REFERENCE

For

Technical assistance for the development of the IOTC regional training course related to the implementation of Port State Measures to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU).

General information

The Indian Ocean Tuna Commission is an intergovernmental organization established under Article XIV of the FAO Constitution. The IOTC Agreement was concluded in 1993 and entered in force in 1996. The IOTC is mandated to manage tuna and tuna-like species in the Indian Ocean and adjacent seas, with primary objective the conservation and optimum utilization of the stocks, for long term sustainability.

Since 1998, the Members of the IOTC have dedicated most of their effort to the scientific component of fisheries management to manage the tuna and tuna-like resources. Since 2008, more emphasis has been dedicated to the compliance component of this tuna RFMO. A Compliance Committee have been formed, supported by the Compliance section of the Secretariat, to assess and review all compliance aspects related to the implementation of the IOTC Conservation and Management Measures and provide support to Contracting and Cooperating Parties (CPCs) in the implementation of Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS) tools adopted by the IOTC Members (IUU vessel lists, authorized & active vessels list, documents on board, marking of fishing vessels and gears, Vessel Monitoring System, fishing logbooks, regional observers scheme, transshipments programme, catch certification/trade documentation schemes).

In 2010, aware of the powerful and cost effective compliance tool of Port States measures to combat IUU fishing activities in the Indian Ocean, the IOTC adopted a resolution on Port State measures to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing (IOTC Resolution 10/11 on PSMR). The resolution, which entered into force on 1 March 2011, is inspired by the 2009 FAO Agreement on Port State Measures, but placed in the context of the IOTC mandate. The fisheries administration of the Coastal CPCs of the IOTC, where foreign fishing vessels offload tuna and tuna like species, are the main parties responsible for the implementation of the resolution.

The effective implementation of the Port State measures resolution by coastal CPCs requires a variety of aspects to be considered, developed and/or strengthened, to improve the implementation capacity of the Port State measure resolution, by the concerned CPCs at the national, regional and international levels Those aspects were identified during the PSM Workshop organized in 2011 by the ACP FISH II Programme, financed by the European Union (9th EDF), in collaboration with the IOTC Secretariat. At the national level, the most relevant aspects relate to the policy, legal, institutional, human resources and operational framework, and at the international/regional level the resolution calls for cooperation between the port State, the flag State and the coastal State.

Purpose of the assignment

The objective of the assignment is to develop the IOTC regional training course related to the implementation of the IOTC Resolution on Port State Measures to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU). The objective of the training course is to increase the Port State Control capacity of the developing States - coastal CPCs of the IOTC responsible for the implementation of the Port State measures with a strong focus on implementing administrative and operational aspects of the PSM resolution related to national interagency collaboration and regional cooperation (AREP, port inspection and follow up actions), working with NGO (non profit) and other bodies involved in fighting IUU.

The Regional PSM training course will be composed of a theory component and practical exercises.

The expert will be part of a team composed of 2 resource persons tasked to develop the regional PSM training course. The two experts will work in close collaboration during the preparation of the training course. The expected course outcomes are:

- Fisheries administrators, fisheries inspectors and other agencies involved in the implementation of PSM at national level trained in PSM Standard Operating Procedures, and used by the fisheries administration/inspectorate of the port State CPC;
- Fisheries administrators, fisheries inspectors and other agencies involved in the implementation of PSM at national level trained on the procedures to assess the information of the AREP developed and used by port State CPC to grant or deny access to port;
- Fisheries administrators, fisheries inspectors and other agencies involved in the implementation of PSM at national level trained and familiar with interagency communication requirements/procedures at national level,
- Fisheries administrators, fisheries inspectors and other agencies involved in the implementation of PSM at national level trained and familiar with communication requirements/procedures with flag State, coastal State, other port States and tuna-RFMOs.

The assignment shall be financed under the Global Partnership for Oceans of the World Bank. The contract shall be established with the Indian Ocean Commission.

Expected outputs/delivery of the regional training course

The regional PSM training program will cover 4/5 days of class instruction. Each class instruction day should be divided into timed session of forty-five minutes to one hour and include a morning, midday and afternoon break.

The delivery of the course should include a course curriculum that will provide a theoretical overview of each of the session. Key outcomes that cover the practical implementation of the Port State Measures should be emphasised with case studies and practical exercises involving both group and/or individual participation. The case studies should be developed so it provides scenarios that may be expected in the field or based on past events. They should include some role plays as well.

In liaison with the IOTC Secretariat, the first task of the experts will be to propose a training programme and course curriculum covering the topics related to the objective of the regional PSM training course. The establishment of the training programme and course curriculum agreed between the experts and the IOTC Secretariat will lead to the development of:

- a comprehensive questionnaire on the implementation of the PSMR, focusing on interagency and regional cooperation (legal, institutional, administrative and operational aspects);
- a guideline on best practises for interagency cooperation at national level and regional cooperation and training materials,
- a list of documents, power point presentations, case studies with role play, practical exercises (individual or in group, including assessed exercises). and leaflets on national interagency cooperation and regional cooperation.

Profile of the expert

Qualifications and experience of the expert:

The development of the training course will be undertaken by two experts with previous experience in the delivery of fisheries MCS course, preferably for RFMOs. The selected experts should be able to demonstrate a successful history of training consultancy engagements in the MCS field. A team composed of a legal expert and an expert specialised in implementing the administrative/operational aspects of PSM is sought to respond to the assignment.

Qualifications and skills

- A MSc degree or equivalent in a relevant subject area: fisheries management;
- Excellent communication, report-writing and project management skills.
- The expert should have a high level of proficiency in written and spoken English.

Professional experience

- Minimum 15 years of experience in fisheries management,
- Previous experience in the implementation of training in the field of MCS and PSM;
- Experience in the region/countries of the IOTC or others RFMOs;
- Experiences of fisheries management framework of RFMOs;
- Experience in the region/countries of the IOTC.

Technical Supervisor

The technical supervisors of the expert will be professional staff of the Secretariat of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission.

The experts will undertake the following:

- Briefing with the IOTC Secretariat;
- Develop the training materials (training programme and course curriculum, list of documents, questionnaire, guide, etc...),
- Prepare power point presentations, case studies and practical exercises for each session assigned to the expert.

Deliverable

The deliverables expected from the expert(s) are:

- Questionnaire on the implementation of the PSMR focusing on interagency and regional cooperation (legal, institutional, administrative and operational aspects),

- Guideline on best practises for interagency cooperation at national level and regional cooperation (max 10 pages),
- Training programme and course curriculum , list of documents, power point presentations, case studies, practical exercises (individual or in group, including assessed exercises),
- Leaflets on national interagency cooperation and regional cooperation,

The list of deliverables will be finalised following the briefing with the IOTC Secretariat.

Place and calendar

The development of the regional training will be home based. The intended total recruitment duration is 14/16 days by expert for the preparation and development of the regional training course.

Beneficiary Countries

The direct beneficiary will be the countries beneficiary of the WB/GPO. In particular, fisheries managers/officers employed by the fisheries administration and the fisheries inspectors employed by the national fisheries enforcement agencies and other agencies involved in the implementation of PSM at the national level.

How to apply

To apply: please submit the following:

- A copy of current Curriculum Vitae of the expert(s).
- Financial offer taking into account the indicative number of working days,

All applications must be addressed to: IOTC Secretariat.

Submission by email to secretariat@iotc.org is strongly encouraged.

For any enquiries: please contact secretariat@iotc.org

Other information:

Training methodologies

- Theoretical instruction
Theoretical instruction will consist of lectures using PowerPoint presentations and supported by the IOTC PSM training manual as the primary reference document. Theoretical instruction will be further supported with relevant video material.
- Case studies/Practical exercises
During the course, practical exercises and case studies will be assigned to both individual participants and working groups to emphasise the practical components of implementing the ports State measures.

Training materials used during the course

- Guideline on best practises for interagency cooperation at national level and regional cooperation,

- IOTC PSM Training manual : “Procedures for the implementation of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission Port State Measures”;
- PowerPoint presentations;
- Video presentations;
- Case studies and practical exercises.

Port State Measures library

For each session, Power point presentations, documents (e.g. technical reports, guidelines, etc.) and videos displayed during the course will be provided to the participants. These documents and videos constitute the PSM library whose aim is to provide to the participants complementary information specific to the training session.