

Schedule of International Meetings and Events 2011-2012

April 1, 2011

Dates	Location	Activity*
(A key to Acronyms is included at the end of the table.)		
2011		
MAR 27 - APR 1	Seoul, Korea	2011 Arctic Science Summit Week -- The Arctic: New Frontier for Global Science
MAR 28 – APR 2	Singapore	Trans-Pacific Partnership Negotiations
MAR 29-31	Bergen, Norway	International Workshop on Exploring the Role of MPAs in Reconciling Fisheries Management with Conservation. (http://www.imr.no/om_havforskningsinstituttet/arrangementer/konferanser/mpafish2011/en)
MAR 29 – APR 2	Seattle, WA	Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting
APR 4-5	London, UK	"It's Not Just About the Fish": Social and Cultural Perspectives of Sustainable Marine Fisheries (hosted by the School of Science and the Greenwich Maritime Institute)
APR 11-15	San Diego, CA	31 st Annual Symposium on Sea Turtle Biology & Conservation (http://iconferences.seaturtle.org)
APR 14-15	Paris, France	Extended Meeting of the OECD Committee on Fisheries on Rebuilding Fisheries
APR 18-20	Paris, France	107 th Regular Session of the OECD Committee on Fisheries
APR 18-22	Viña del Mar, Chile	10 th U.S.-Chile Cooperative Fisheries Talks
APR 25-29	Dalian, China	BIT's 1 st Annual World Congress of Marine Biotechnology: Ocean, Life and Sustainability (http://www.bitlifesciences.com/wcmb2011/)
APR 26-28	Costa Rica	11 th Meeting of the IATTC Permanent Working Group on Fleet Capacity
APR 26-28	Honolulu, HI	PICES FUTURE Workshop on "Indicators of Status and Change Within North Pacific Marine Ecosystems" (by invitation and application only).
MAY 2-6	Rome, Italy	FAO Technical Consultation on Flag State Performance
MAY 2-6	Majorca, Spain	2011 Meeting of ICES Planning/Working Group on Recreational Fishery Surveys
MAY 4-6	Miami, FL	International Symposium on Circle Hooks in Research, Management and Conservation (http://www.circlehookssymposium.org/)
May 9-10	London, UK	NAFO STACTIC Intersessional Meeting
MAY 9-12	La Jolla, CA	2 nd Meeting of the IATTC Scientific Advisory Committee

MAY 9-14	Rome, Italy	GFCM 35th Session; 5 th Session of the Committee on Compliance; 2 nd Session of the Committee on Administration and Finance
MAY 10-12	Santander, Spain	ICES/NAFO Symposium "Variability of the North Atlantic and its Marine Ecosystems during 2000-2009"
MAY 10-13	Reykjavik, Iceland	ICES WG-Fisheries Acoustics Science and Technology Meeting
MAY 11-13	Honolulu, HI	North American Association of Fisheries Economists Biennial Meeting
MAY 12	Nuuk, Greenland	Arctic Council Ministerial Meeting
MAY 13-14	La Jolla, CA	2 nd IATTC Technical meeting on sharks
MAY 14-18	Victoria, B.C., Canada	2nd International Marine Conservation Congress (www.conbio.org/IMCC2011)
MAY 16-18	Guayaquil, Ecuador	Rights-Based Management Systems for Tuna Fisheries in the Eastern Pacific Ocean
MAY 16-19	Lake Arrowhead, CA	62 nd International Tuna Conference
MAY 16-20	Madrid, Spain	Second Meeting of the Working Group on the Future of ICCAT
MAY 16- JUNE 4	Monrovia, Liberia	Joint US-Liberian Marine Fisheries Observer Training
MAY 19-21	Agadir, Morocco	2011 International Conference on Climate Change, Agri-food, Fisheries and Ecosystems: Reinventing Research, Innovation and Policy Agendas for Environmentally- and Socially-Balanced Growth.
MAY 22-26	Wilmington, NC	35 th Annual Larval Fish Conference
MAY 22-26	Seattle, WA	Second Ecosystem Studies of Sub-Arctic Sea Open Science Meeting on Comparative Studies of Climate Effects on Polar and Sub-polar Ocean Ecosystems: Progress in Observation and Prediction (PICES)
MAY 25-27	Loreto, Mexico	Conservation Science Symposium: Applying Science to the Conservation and Management of Natural Resources on the Baja California Peninsula and the Sea of Cortez
MAY 31- JUNE 3	New York, NY	UN Meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-Ended Informal Workshop on Marine Biodiversity Beyond Areas of National Jurisdiction
JUNE 1-4	Bonaire	Inter-American Sea Turtle Convention COP5
JUNE 3-7	Ilulissat, Greenland	28 th Annual Meeting of NASCO
JUNE 3-16	Hamburg, Germany	Meeting of the NAFO Scientific Council and its Standing Committees
JUNE 6-9	Bali, Indonesia	22 nd APEC Fisheries Working Group Meeting

JUNE 6-9	Victoria, B.C., Canada	45 th Canadian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society Congress on "Ocean, Atmosphere and the Changing Pacific"
JUNE 6-10	Natal, Brazil	World Aquaculture 2011, Annual International Conference of the World Aquaculture Society
JUNE 9-13	Tromsø, Norway	IWC Scientific Committee Plenary Meeting
JUNE 12-17	Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Canada	8th International Conference on Molluscan Shellfish Safety
JUNE 13-17	Sabah, Malaysia	17th International Symposium on Society and Resource Management (hosted by the University of Malaysia in Kota Kinabalu)
JUNE 15-17	Anchorage, AK	Arctic Coastal States Arctic Fisheries Workshop (by invitation only)
JUNE 20-24	New York, NY	12 th UN Meeting of the Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and Law of the Sea
JUNE 22-24 T	Silver Spring, MD	U.S.-Canada Bilateral Fisheries Consultations
JUNE 22- JULY 6	Paris, France	26 th Session of the IOC Assembly
June 26-28	TBD	NAFO Working Group on Greenland Halibut
June 29-30	TBD	NAFO Working Group on VME Protection
JUNE 29 – JULY 8	La Jolla, CA	82 nd Meeting of the IATTC and IATTC Working Groups
JULY 2-6	Bergen, Norway	36 th Annual Larval Fish Conference
JULY 3-10	St. Helier, Jersey, Channel Is.	IWC Subcommittee Meetings
JULY 6-11	Minneapolis, MN	27 th Annual Meeting of the American Elasmobranch Society
JUL 9-10	Seattle, WA	Association of Environmental and Resource Economics Summer Conference
JULY 11-14	St. Helier, Jersey, Channel Is.	63 rd Annual Meeting of the IWC
JULY 11-15	London, UK	IMO Marine Environment Protection Committee Meeting
JULY 11-15	La Jolla, CA	3 rd Joint Meeting of the Tuna RFMOs (Kobe 3)
JULY 17-21	Chicago, IL	Coastal Zone 2011: Winds of Change: Great Lakes, Great Oceans, Great Communities! (http://www.doi.gov/initiatives/CZ11/index.htm)
JULY 18-22	Geneva, Switzerland	25 th Meeting of the CITES Animals Committee

JULY 20-25	San Francisco, CA	Annual Meeting of the ISC
JULY 24-26	Pittsburgh, PA	Agricultural and Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting
JUL/AUG TBD	Veracruz, Mexico	MexUS-Pacifico Annual Meeting
AUG 1-4	Berlin, Germany	6 th World Recreational Fishing Conference
AUG 9-17	Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia	7 th Regular Session of the WCPFC Scientific Committee
AUG 15-19	Geneva, Switzerland	61 st Meeting of the CITES Standing Committee
AUG 23-25	Barcelona, Spain	7 th International Conference on Marine Bioinvasions (http://www.icmb.info/)
AUG 29 – SEPT 2	Guayaquil, Ecuador	6 th Meeting of ACAP's Advisory Committee
SEPT 4-8	Seattle, WA	American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting
SEPT 5-9	Monterey, CA	22 nd Session of the U.S.-Russia ICC
SEPT 6-9	TBD, Japan	7 th Regular Session of the WCPFC Northern Committee
SEPT 13-16	New York, NY	UNGA Annual Fisheries Resolution Negotiations
SEP 19-23	Gdansk, Poland	2011 ICES Annual Science Conference (http://www.ices.dk/iceswork/asc/2011/index.asp)
SEP 19-23	Halifax, Canada	33 rd Annual Meeting of NAFO
SEP 26-30	Aberdeen, U.K.	2011 World Conference on Marine Biodiversity: Change and Loss in Marine Biodiversity from Bycatch in Marine Capture Fisheries (http://www.marine-biodiversity.org/)
SEP 26- OCT 1	Madrid, Spain	ICCAT SCRS Species Groups Meetings
SEPT 28 – OCT 4	Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia	7 th Regular Session of the WCPFC Technical and Compliance Committee
OCT 1-6	Washington, D.C.	World Seafood Conference: Seafood + Trade = Health + Jobs
OCT 3-7	Madrid, Spain	Meeting of ICCAT's Standing Committee on Research and Statistics
OCT 4-5	La Jolla, CA	AIDCP Meeting
OCT 11-13	La Rochelle, France	NASCO-ICES Salmon Summit, "Salmon at Sea: Scientific Advances and Their Implications for Management"
OCT 13-14	Silver Spring, MD	Fall Meeting of the U.S. ICCAT Advisory Committee

OCT 14-23	Khabarovsk, Russia	PICES 2011 Annual Meeting
OCT 18-20	Warm Springs, OR	PSC Executive Meeting
OCT 19-26	Dartmouth, Nova Scotia	Joint NAFO/ICES <i>Pandalus</i> Assessment Working Group
OCT 21-24	Panama City, Panama	WECAFC 14th Session and Lesser Antilles Fisheries Committee 11th Session
OCT 23-28	Nanaimo, B.C., Canada	19 th Annual Meeting of the NPAFC.
OCT 24-28	Denver, CO	World Climate Research Program Open Science Conference (http://www.wcrp-climate.org/conference2011/index.html)
OCT 24 – NOV 4	Hobart, Australia	30 th Annual Meeting of CCAMLR; 30 th Annual Meeting of CCAMLR's Scientific Committee
OCT 30-31	Nanaimo, B.C., Canada	International Workshop: "Explanations for the High Abundance of Pink and Chum Salmon and Future Trends" (http://www.npafc.org/new/index.html)
OCT TBD	Libreville, Gabon	(14 Day Training) Joint Marine Observer and Project Management Training Between NMFS and Gabon Ministere de l'Agriculture, de l'Elevage, de la Peche et due Developpment Rural, Wildlife Conservation Society and University of Exeter-Darwin Initiative.
NOV 8-9, 11-16	New York, NY	UNGA Annual Fisheries Resolution Negotiations
NOV 9-19	Istanbul, Turkey	22 nd Regular Meeting of ICCAT
NOV 15-17	Portland, OR	Salmon in a Changing Climate: Practical Management Options for an Era of Environmental Change
NOV 20-25	Bergen, Norway	10 th CMS COP
NOV 30- DEC 9	Dartmouth, Nova Scotia	NAFO Scientific Council Working Group on Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management
NOV TBD	Christchurch, NZ	Society for Conservation Biology
NOV/DEC TBD	La Jolla, CA	12 th Annual Trinational Sardine Forum
TBD	Monrovia, Liberia	(5-Day Training). Fisheries Management for Biologists. (Co-sponsored by the World Bank.)
DEC 5-9	Koror, Palau	8 th Regular Session of the WCPFC
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JAN 9-13	Portland, OR	PSC Post-Season Meeting
FEB 13-17	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	PSC 27 th Annual Meeting

MAY 14-18	Yeosu, Korea	Second PICES/ICES/IOC Symposium on " <i>Effects of climate change on the world's oceans</i> " (one of the official events related to Ocean Expo-2012)
JULY 9-13	Rome, Italy	30 th Session of FAO COFI
OCT 16-18	TBD	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
ASLO	American Society of Limnology and Oceanography
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)
CIFAA	Committee for Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture of Africa
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)
EECM	Enforcement Evaluation and Coordination Group Meeting (NPAFC)
EMM	Ecosystem Monitoring and Management (CCAMLR)
EPPR	Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response Working Group (Arctic Council)
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

FFC	Forum Fisheries Committee (Forum Fisheries Agency)
FIRMS	Fisheries Resource Monitoring System
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
IPY	International Polar Year
IRP	International Review Panel (AIDCP)
ISC	International Scientific Committee for Tuna and Tuna-like Species in the North Pacific Ocean
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
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NPAFC	North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
OSPESCA	An intergovernmental organization comprised by the fisheries and aquaculture authorities of Belize, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala,

	Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama, the countries which constitute the Central American Isthmus
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
RFMO	Regional Fishery Management Organization
RPCM	Research Planning and Coordinating Meeting (NPAFC)
SBSTTA	Subsidiary Body for Scientific, Technical, and Technological Advice (Convention on Biological Diversity)
SCAR	Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research
SCIC	Standing Committee on Implementation and Compliance
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
SEAFO	Southeast Atlantic Fisheries Organization
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
STACFAD	Standing Committee on Finance and Administration (NAFO)
STACTIC	Standing Committee on International Control (NAFO)
SWIOFC	Southwest Indian Ocean Fisheries Commission
T	Tentative
TBD	To Be Determined
TED	Turtle Excluder Device
TPP	Trans-Pacific Partnership
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 highly migratory stocks)
UNGA	United Nations General Assembly
UNICPOLIS	United Nations Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and Law of the Sea
UNLOS	United Nations 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