

Schedule of International Meetings and Events 2010-2011

January 1, 2010

Dates	Location	Activity*
(A key to acronyms is included at the end of the table.)		
2010		
JAN 11-15	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	PSC Post-Season Meeting
JAN 18-21	Anchorage, AK	Alaska Marine Science Symposium
JAN 18-22	Jeju, Korea	8 th Consultation on the Establishment of the North Pacific RFMO
JAN 25-29	Seattle, WA	IPHC 86 th Annual Meeting
JAN 25-29	Budva, Montenegro	12 th Session of the GFCM Scientific Advisory Committee
JAN 26-29	Seattle, WA	86 th Annual Meeting of the International Pacific Halibut Commission
JAN 28-29	Brussels, Belgium	NAFO Working Group on Greenland Halibut Management
JAN 31- FEB 2	Paris, France	Seafood Summit 2010: Challenging Assumptions in a Changing World (http://www.seafoodchoices.org/seafoodsummit.php)
FEB 1-5	New York, NY	UNLOS Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to Study Issues Relating to the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity Beyond Areas of National Jurisdiction
FEB 8-12	Portland, OR	PSC 25 th Annual Meeting
FEB 8-12	Manila, Philippines	3 rd Meeting on International Cooperation on Migratory Sharks under the Convention on Migratory Species
FEB 15-19	Rome, Italy	FAO Technical Consultation on Aquaculture Certification Guidelines
FEB 15-17	Kochi, India	Remote Sensing and Fisheries International Symposium
FEB 21-26	Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico	MexUS-Pacifico Stock Assessment Workshop
FEB 22-26	Madrid, Spain	ICCAT Intersessional Meeting of the Compliance Committee (bluefin tuna) and the Working Group on Integrated Monitoring Measures
FEB 23-27	Hobart, Tasmania	23 rd Session of the FAO Coordinating Working Party on Fishery Statistics
MAR 1-5	Pusan, Korea	14 th Session of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission
MAR 3-4	Copenhagen, Denmark	Arctic Council AMAP Working Group Meeting
MAR 3-5	Copenhagen, Denmark	Arctic Council PAME Working Group Meeting
MAR 9-11	Moscow, Russia	Arctic Council ACAP Working Group Meeting

MAR 13-25	Doha, Qatar	15 th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to CITES
MAR 15-APR 23	New York, NY	25 th Session of the UN Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
MAR 16-17	New York, NY	9 th Round of Informal Consultations for States Parties to the UN Fish Stocks Agreement
MAR 16-19	Miami, FL	State of the Arctic (http://soa.arcus.org/)
MAR 22-24	Stralsund, Germany	24 th Conference of the European Cetacean Society
MAR 24-25	Santa Cruz, CA	PICES 12th Salmon Ecology Workshop
MAR TBD	Silver Spring, MD	ICCAT U.S. Advisory Committee Species Working Group Meeting
MAR TBD	Shimizu, Japan	ISC Albacore Working Group Workshop (Data Update and Model Review)
APR 1-2	Monaco	Monaco Ocean Summit
APR 8-17	Mar del Plata, Argentina	5 th Meeting of the Advisory Committee (AC5) of ACAP (www.acap.aq)
APR 14-17	Athens, Greece	34 th Session of the GFCM
APR 15-16	Paris, France	OECD Workshop on Advancing the Aquaculture Agenda: Policies to Ensure a Sustainable Aquaculture Sector
APR 19-21	Paris, France	Meeting of the OECD Committee for Fisheries
APR 21-23	Madrid, Spain	2010 Meeting of the ICCAT Working Group on Stock Assessment Methods (Precautionary Approach)
APR 26-29	Sendai, Japan	International Symposium on Climate Change Effects on Fish and Fisheries: Forecasting Impacts, Assessing Ecosystem Responses, and Evaluating Management Strategies (http://www.pices.int/climate)
APR 26-30	Madrid, Spain	ICCAT SCRS Bigeye Tuna Data-Preparatory Meeting
APR 26-30	Buenos Aires, Argentina	12 th Session of the FAO COFI Sub-Committee on Fish Trade
APR 27-30	San Diego, CA	ICES Working Group on Fisheries Acoustics Science and Technology, 2010 meeting
APR 28-29	Ilulissat, Greenland	Arctic Council Senior Arctic Officials Spring Meeting
APR TBD	Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, Russia	NPAFC Enforcement Evaluation and Coordination Meeting
MAY 3-7	La Jolla, CA	External Review of IATTC Bigeye Tuna Assessment
MAY 3-7	Paris, France	Global Oceans Conference 2010: Advancing Integrated Ocean Governance at National, Regional, and Global Levels (UNESCO)
MAY 4-6	Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada	NAFO Working Group of Fisheries Managers and Scientists (bottom fishing rules)

MAY 4-7	Portland, OR	State of the Salmon 2010 Conference: Ecological Interactions Between Wild and Hatchery Salmon (www.stateofthesalmon.org)
MAY 10-11	Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada	NAFO Performance Assessment Working Group
MAY 12-14	Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada	NAFO STACFAD Working Group on Rules of Procedure
MAY 17-20	Lake Arrowhead, CA	61 st Tuna Conference (http://www.tunaconference.org/)
MAY 17-21	Madrid, Spain	ICCAT SCRS Marlins Data Preparatory Meeting
MAY 24-28	California TBD	U.S.-Canada Albacore Treaty Meeting
MAY 24-28	New York, NY	UNFSA Review Conference
MAY 28-JUNE 25	Agadir, Morocco	IWC 62 nd Annual and Associated Meetings
MAY 31-JUNE 4 (T)	Brussels, Belgium	Joint Tuna RFMO Workshops on Fisheries Science and MCS
MAY 31-JUNE 4	Madrid, Spain	ICCAT Intersessional Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Ecosystems
MAY TBD	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	NPAFC Research Planning and Coordinating Meeting
JUNE 1-4	Quebec, Canada	NASCO 27 th Annual Meeting
JUNE 7-11	Quebec, Canada	27 th Annual Meeting of NASCO
JUNE 8-12	Oslo, Norway	IPY Oslo Science Conference
JUNE 9-12	Bangkok, Thailand	Global Conference on Aquaculture 2010 (Co-organized by FAO)
JUNE 10-11	Busan, Korea	OECD Workshop on the Economics of Adapting Fisheries to Climate Change (Organized by the Directorate for Trade and Agriculture)
JUNE 14-18	Bangkok, Thailand	5 th Session of the COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture
JUNE 14-18	New York, NY	20 th Meeting of States Parties to the 1982 UN Convention on the Law of the Sea
JUNE 14-19	Madrid, Spain	ICCAT SCRS Bluefin Tuna Data Preparatory Meeting
JUNE 16-18	Vorkuta, Russia	Arctic Council EPPR Working Group Meeting
JUNE 21-25	New York, NY	UNICPLOS
JUNE 29-JULY 1	Brisbane, Australia	Joint Tuna RFMO Workshop on Management of Tuna Fisheries
JUNE 21-23	Lima, Peru	21 st Meeting of the APEC Fisheries Working Group and Joint Meeting with the Marine Resources Conservation Working Group

JUNE 21-25	New York, NY	UN Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea (11 th Meeting)
JUNE 22-26 (T)	Brisbane, Australia	Joint Tuna RFMO Workshop on Bycatch Issues
JUNE 28-JULY 3	Madrid, Spain	ICCAT SCRS Mediterranean Swordfish Assessment and Mediterranean Albacore Data Preparatory Meeting
JULY 5-9	Madrid, Spain	ICCAT 2010 Bigeye Tuna Stock Assessment Session
JULY 12-26	Victoria, Canada	10 th Meeting of the ISC
JULY 13-16	Montpellier, France	IIFET Annual Conference
AUG 2-27	New York, NY	26 th Session of the UN Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
AUG 9-20	Tonga	6 th Regular Session of the WCPFC Scientific Committee
AUG 30	La Jolla, CA	IATTC Technical Meeting on Sharks
AUG 31-SEPT 3	TBD	1 st Meeting of the IATTC Scientific Advisory Committee
AUG (TBD)	Russia (TBD)	9 th Consultation on the Establishment of the North Pacific RFMO
SEPT 6-10	Maputo, Mozambique	3rd Global Fisheries Enforcement Training Workshop
SEPT 6-12	Madrid, Spain	ICCAT 2010 Bluefin Tuna Stock Assessment Session
SEPT. 7-11	Victoria, B.C., Canada	1 st World Seabird Conference, Seabirds: Linking the Global Oceans (http://www.worldseabirdconference.com)
SEPT 8-11	Japan	6 th Regular Session of the WCPFC Northern Committee
SEPT 14-17	New York NY	UNGA Informal Consultations on the Draft Resolution on Sustainable Fisheries, Including Through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and Related Instruments
SEPT 20-24	Nantes, France	ICES Annual Science Conference
SEPT 20-24	Dartmouth, Canada	32 nd NAFO Annual Meeting
SEPT 23-OCT 1	Antigua, Guatemala	IATTC and AIDCP Annual Meetings
SEPT 27-OCT 1	New York, NY	UN Informal Consultations on the Draft Resolution on Oceans and the Law of the Sea
SEPT 27-Oct 1	Madrid, Spain	ICCAT Species Group Meetings
SEPT 30-OCT 5	Pohnpei, Micronesia	6 th Regular Session of the WCPFC Technical and Compliance Committee

SEPT TBD	Silver Spring, MD	First Fall ICCAT U.S. Advisory Committee Meeting
OCT 4-8	Madrid, Spain	ICCAT 2010 Meeting of the SCRS
OCT 8-12	Lima, Peru	3 rd APEC Oceans Ministerial Meeting
OCT 11-14	Taipei, Taiwan	Extended CCSBT Meeting for the 17 th Annual Meeting of the CCSBT
OCT 15	Narita, Japan	17 th Annual Meeting of the CCSBT
OCT 18-29	Nagoya, Japan	10 th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 10)
OCT 19-21	Kamloops, B.C., Canada	PSC Executive Session
OCT 22-31	Portland, OR	PICES 2010 Annual Meeting: North Pacific Ecosystems Today, and Challenges in Understanding and Forecasting Change
OCT 25-NOV 5	Hobart, Tasmania	29 th Annual Meetings of CCAMLR and its Scientific Committee
OCT TBD	Silver Spring, MD	Second Fall ICCAT U.S. Advisory Committee Meeting
NOV 1-5	TBD	Arctic Council Senior Arctic Officials Autumn Meeting
NOV 1-5	Busan, Korea	NPAFC 18 th Annual Meeting
NOV 5-12	New York, NY	UN Informal Consultations on the Draft Resolution on Oceans and the Law of the Sea (Continued)
NOV 8-11	Anchorage, AK	26 th Lowell Wakefield Symposium on Ecosystems 2010: Global Progress on Ecosystem-based Fisheries Management (Alaska Sea Grant)
NOV 8-12	TBD	NEAFC Annual Meeting
NOV 14-17	Seattle, WA	Energy Use in Fisheries: Improving Efficiency and Technological Innovations from a Global Perspective
NOV 15-23	New York, NY	UNGA Informal Consultations on the Draft Resolution on Sustainable Fisheries, Including Through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and Related Instruments (Continued)
NOV 17-27	Paris, France	17 th Special Meeting of ICCAT
NOV 23-27	Viña del Mar, Chile	International Conference on Environment and Resources of the South Pacific
DEC 6-10	Pohnpei, Micronesia	7 th Regular Session of the WCPFC
DEC TBD	La Jolla, CA	Tri-National Sardine Forum
2011		
JAN 10-14	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	PSC Post-Season Meeting

FEB 14-18	Portland, OR	PSC 26 th Annual Meeting
APR 4-8	Greenland TBD	Arctic Council Ministerial Meeting
JUNE TBD	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)

* 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
ACAP	Arctic Contaminants Action Program (Arctic Council)
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
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)
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