WG-EMM 2019 – letter to participants

Dear WG-EMM participant,

The 2019 meeting of the Working Group on Ecosystem Monitoring and Management (WG-EMM) will be held in Corcarneau, France, from 24 June to 5 July 2019.

As mentioned in <u>SC CIRC 19/13</u>, taking into account that in 2018 the Scientific Committee identified the development of advice for management of krill resouces to inform the review of Conservation Measure (CM) 51-07 as a priority, the agenda of this year's meeting includes a Focus Topic on krill management (See <u>draft agenda</u>). For this reason, we are proposing the Focus Topic to be scheduled in the first week of the meeting (24 to 28 June) to allow interested scientist attenting WG-SAM to participate in discussions in topics related to WG-SAM/SG-ASAM. As indicated in <u>SC-CIRC 19/34</u>, I would encourage those with acoustic survey expertise who would normally attend SG-ASAM to also attend the Focus Topic in order to contribute to this important area of our work.

If you plan to submit work outside the scope of the agenda, we encourage you, through your Scientific Committee Representative, to contact us to suggest an agenda item be included. Papers submitted to the meeting outside the notified agenda items will be included under 'Other business' and will receive lower priority and order of discussion. It is possible that there will not be enough time during the meeting to consider them.

We welcome your comments on the draft agenda by **6 May 2019.** Please send your commments to ccamlr.org and ccardenas@inach.cl. A revised draft agenda and annotated agenda will be circulated at the start of the meeting following comments received and the submission of working papers.

I would also like to take the opportunity to remind you that the deadline for submission of papers to this year's WG-EMM meeting is **10 June 2019** (0900 Australian Eastern Standard Time).

WG-EMM participants are encouraged to register online as soon as possible. Updated information for participants on the meeting venue, travel and accommodation can be found on the WG-EMM-19 webpage.

I look forward to seeing you in Corcarneau in June.

Sincerely,

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Convener, WG-EMM