Dear Colleagues,

Following SC CIRC 19/34 and SC CIRC 19/43, the meeting of SG-ASAM will be held in Bergen, Norway, from 26 to 30 August 2019.

The priority items that we will consider will be the results from the two large-scale krill surveys that were conducted in 2019 (the Area 48 multinational survey and the Area 58 Japanese survey). We will also review the ongoing collection and analysis of krill acoustic data from fishing vessels and I encourage those Members with acoustic data from the 'nominated transects' to bring that data with them to the meeting.

I would also ask that you join the <u>SG-ASAM e-group</u> so that we can maintain an open forum for discussions prior to the meeting.

I am sure that, like me, many of you are delighted to be returning to IMR in Bergen with its Norwegian hospitality and acoustics expertise. I look forward to seeing you August and please do not hesitate to contact me (<u>zhaoxy@ysfri.ac.cn</u>) if you wish to discuss any details of the meeting.

With best wishes

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