

Recommendations on Impact Assessments for Bottom Fisheries

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This submission provides recommendations for improvements to the draft template and updated procedures for conducting impact assessments of bottom fisheries. Updated assessment procedures and criteria are essential for meeting the commitments under the relevant UNGA resolutions adopted since 2009, as well as the requirements of NPFC's CMM 2025-05, the provisions of the FAO Deep Sea Fisheries Guidelines and legal obligations under the NPFC Convention and the UN Fish Stocks Agreement.