



Technical workshop on *Non-detriment findings for specimens of Appendix-II species taken from areas beyond national jurisdiction*

25 – 26 April 2024 (CICG, Geneva, Switzerland)

Provisional draft agenda

DAY 1 – Thursday 25 April 2024

08:00 – 09:00 Registration

09:00 – 12:00 Plenary

- Welcoming remarks
- Conduct of the workshop
- Objectives of the workshop
- Presentations on background information followed by a Q and A session
 - CITES requirements for non-detriment findings (NDFs) for specimens taken from areas beyond national jurisdiction (ABNJ), including the role of “international scientific authorities” (Article IV, paragraph 7; Paragraph 4 of Resolution Conf. 14.6 (Rev. CoP16))
 - draft guidances on the making of NDFs for aquatic species (outcomes of the international expert workshop on NDFs)
 - level (current and anticipated) of trade in CITES-listed species taken from ABNJ
 - overview of the workshop background document:
 - i. summary of NDFs that have been made for specimens taken from ABNJ (including data used, process followed, etc.)
 - ii. difficulties encountered by Parties when making NDFs for specimens taken from ABNJ;
 - iii. current role, if any, of Regional Fisheries Management Organizations (RFMO) and other Regional Fisheries Bodies (RFBs) in making data and information available to CITES Scientific Authorities making non-detriment findings
- Presentations from Parties on experience making NDFs for specimens of Appendix-II listed species from ABNJ
- Presentations from RFMOs

12:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 Plenary

- Moderated discussion to agree on topics to be covered in breakout groups. Provisional topics identified by the Secretariat:
 - Scientific data and information needed to make NDFs for specimen taken from ABNJ, including those that may be held by international scientific authorities
 - Mechanism of cooperation between national Scientific Authorities and international scientific authorities, including sharing of data, determining the total numbers of specimens to be introduced per year, monitoring off-take, etc.

15:30 – 17:00 Breakout groups

- Establishment of breakout groups and discussions

DAY 2 – Friday 26 April 2024

9:00 – 11:00 Breakout groups

- Discussions in breakout groups

11:00 – 12:00

- Presentation from each breakout groups

12:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 17:00 Plenary

- Observations and recommendations
- Next steps
- Closing