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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON THE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT OF MARINE TURTLES AND THEIR HABITATS OF THE INDIAN OCEAN AND SOUTH-EAST ASIA

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27 November 2026

11TH MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Bonn, Germany, 8-11 December 2026
Agenda Item 2

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA AND SCHEDULE

(*Prepared by the Secretariat*)

	Agenda Item	Document Number	Annotations and Action Requested
Tuesday, 8 December			
8:30-9:00	On-site registration		
9:00-12:30 *(incl. break at ~10:30)*	1. Welcoming Remarks	*no document*	*The Secretariat and the Chair will open the meeting.*
	2. Adoption of the Agenda and Schedule	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.2a *Provisional Agenda and Documents* CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.2b *Provisional Annotated Agenda and Schedule*	*The AC will be invited to review and adopt the Agenda and Meeting Schedule.*
	3. Review of Implementation of the Conservation and Management Plan	*no document*	
	3.1. Implementation of the Work Programme 2024-2028	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.3.1 *Implementation of the Work Programme 2024-2028*	*The Secretariat will introduce the document.* *The AC will be invited to review the progress report, advise on any updates or revisions, and agree on next steps for priority actions.*
	3.3. Reports of the Sub-Regions	*no document* Ref. Report of the 5th Meeting of the NIO-MTTF	*Sub-Regional Focal Points and chairs of the Marine Turtle Task Forces will present their joint reports.* *The AC will be invited to consider how to prioritize and provide support to the sub-regions.*
	4. Development of the Draft Work Programme 2028-2032	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.4 *Development of the Draft Work Programme 2028-2032*	*The Secretariat will introduce the document.* *The AC will be invited to take note of the anticipated timelines and provide comments.*
Lunch break			

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14:00-16:00	3.2. Outcomes of the 25th Anniversary Campaign	*no document*	*The Secretariat will provide an overview of the campaign and follow-up.* *The AC will be invited to provide comments and guidance.*
	5. Conservation of Marine Turtles and their Habitats	*no document*	
	5.1. Bycatch	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.5.1 *Potential for Collaboration with SIOFA, CCSBT, and WCPFC* Ref. *Sea Turtle Bycatch and Mitigation in the Indian Ocean and South-East Asia Region* Ref. *A Review of Technical and Operational Measures to Mitigate Bycatch of Marine Turtles in Commercial Fisheries* Ref. *IOTC Executive Summary: Marine Turtles (2024)*	*The chair of the CMS/IOSEA Turtle Bycatch Steering Group, Nicolas Pilcher, will provide an update on activities to date and potential next steps. He will draw attention to the report on Sea Turtle Bycatch and Mitigation in the Indian Ocean and South-East Asia Region.* *The Secretariat will draw attention to the Review of Technical and Operational Measures to Mitigate Bycatch of Marine Turtles in Commercial Fisheries and the IOTC Executive Summary: Marine Turtles (2024).* *The AC will be invited to provide comments and guidance on next steps.* *AC Member Andrea Phillott will introduce Doc.5.1.* *The AC will be invited to review the draft document, provide comments, and provide guidance on next steps.* *Discussions may be taken to a breakout group, if needed.*
	5.2. Beach Management and Hatching Success	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.5.2a *Dirt Cheap? Impact of Poor Beach*	*The chair of the CMS/IOSEA Beach Management Steering Group, Ronel Nel, will introduce Doc.5.2a.*

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		Management Practices on Migratory Species CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.5.2b *Factors Shaping Decisions about Protection of Sea Turtle Eggs in the IOSEA Region*	*The AC will be invited to review the concept note, provide comments on the proposed scope, objectives and work programme, and provide guidance on potential next steps for advancing the initiative within CMS and IOSEA.* *AC Member Andrea Phillott will introduce Doc.5.2b.* *The AC will be invited to review the draft, provide comments and provide guidance on next steps.* *Discussions may be taken to a breakout group, if needed.*
Coffee/tea break			
16:30-18:30	*Breakout Group Discussions*		

Wednesday, 9 December			
8:30-9:30	*Breakout Group reports back to plenary*		
9:30-10:30	5.5. Network of Sites of Importance for Marine Turtles in the Indian Ocean - South-East Asia Region	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.5.5a *Options for the Future Direction of the IOSEA Site Network* CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.5.5b *Draft Concept for the IOSEA Site Network Discussion Group*	*The Secretariat will provide an update on the IMTA process.* *Working Group chair Jessica Armstrong (Australia) will introduce Doc.5.5a.* *The AC will be invited to note the progress made so far, exchange views on the options proposed, and provide guidance on next steps.*

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			The Secretariat will introduce Doc.5.5b. *The AC will be invited to provide feedback and guidance.* *Discussions may be taken to a breakout group, if needed.*
	5.6. Development of a Capacity-Building Framework	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.5.6a *Report on the Needs Assessment Questionnaire* CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.5.6b *A Proposed Approach to Prioritizing Capacity-Building Support*	*AC Chair Manjula Tiwari will introduceDoc.5.6a.* *The AC will be invited to note the report and provide feedback.* *AC Member Scott Whiting will introduce Doc.5.6b.* *The AC will be invited to discuss and improve the draft "Strategy", and provide summarized comments and suggestions for consideration by the Capacity Building Working Group.* *Discussions may be taken to a breakout group, if needed.*
Coffee/tea break			
11:00-12:30	*Breakout Group Discussions*		
Lunch break			
14:00-16:00	5.8. Illegal Take and Trade	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.5.8 *Identifying Synergies between CMS Work on the Taking of Wildlife and the MOU Working Group on Illegal Take and Trade* Ref. *Task List of the Illegal Trade Working Group*	*The Secretariat will introduce the document.* *The AC will be invited to take note of identified synergies and recommendations to the ITWG, and to review, revise and provide comments on the proposed recommendations.*

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			Discussions may be taken to a breakout group, if needed.
	6. Outcomes of CMS COP15	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Inf.6 *Relevant Outcomes of the 15th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Migratory Species*	*The Secretariat will draw attention to the information document.* *The AC will be invited to consider opportunities for enhanced collaboration between CMS and the IOSEA Marine Turtle MOU.*
	7. Institutional Matters	*no document*	
	7.1. Results of the IOSEA Marine Turtle MOU Evaluation Questionnaire	*no document*	*The Secretariat will provide an overview of the responses received and propose an approach for the analysis.* *The AC will be invited to provide comments and guidance.* *Discussions may be taken to a breakout group, if needed.*
	7.2. National Reporting Format and Evaluation of Progress	*no document* CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Inf.7.2 *Terms of Reference for the Working Group on the National Reporting Format & Evaluation of Implementation of the Work Programme 2024-2028*	*The Secretariat will draw attention to the information document.* *The AC will be invited to provide recommendations on how to proceed.*
	7.3. Addressing Communication Gaps and Enhancing Signatory-State Engagement	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.7.3 *Promoting Greater Engagement among Secretariat, AC and Signatories*	*AC Member Nicolas Pilcher will introduce the document.* *The AC will be invited to provide comments and guidance.*

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			Discussions may be taken to a breakout group, if needed.
Coffee/tea break			
16:30-18:30	*Breakout Group Discussions*		

Thursday, 10 December			
8:30-9:30	*Breakout Group reports back to plenary*		
9:30-10:30	5.3. Alternative Livelihood Approaches	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.5.3 *Alternative Livelihoods for Marine Turtle Conservation*	*The Secretariat will introduce the document.* *The AC will be invited to review and revise it as necessary to finalize the report and recommendations, and advise whether further work is required to fulfil the mandate given in WP #65.* *Discussions may be taken to a breakout group, if needed.*
	5.4. Global Spatial Decision Support Tool	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.5.4 *Towards a Global Spatial Decision Support Tool for Sea Turtles*	*AC Member Ronel Nel will introduce the document.* *The AC will be invited to review the draft and provide comments, and provide guidance on next steps.* *Discussions may be taken to a breakout group, if needed.*
Coffee/tea break			

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11:00-12:30	3.1. Implementation of the Work Programme 2024-2028 (revisited)	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.3.1 *Implementation of the Work Programme 2024-2028*	*The AC will be invited to […] agree on next steps for priority actions.*
Lunch break			
14:00-16:00	*Breakout Group Discussions*		
Coffee/tea break			
16:30-17:30	*Breakout Group reports back to plenary*		
17:30-18:30	*Breakout Group Discussions*		

Friday, 11 December			
8:30-9:30	*Breakout Group reports back to plenary*		
9:30-10:30	5.7. IOSEA AC-endorsed research and other priorities	CMS/IOSEA/AC11/Doc.5.7 *List of IOSEA AC-endorsed Research and Other Priorities to Help to Leverage Funding for Scientific Research*	*AC Chair Manjula Tiwari will introduce the document.* *The AC will be invited to review and revise the priorities identified in the document, and request the Secretariat to include updated references in the revised list before publication.* *Discussions may be taken to a breakout group, if needed.*

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	7.4. Advisory Committee Membership	no document	*The Secretariat will provide an overview of terms of the current members and possibility of renewal at MOS10.*
	7.5. Next Meeting of the Advisory Committee (AC12)	no document	*The Secretariat will outline possible arrangements.*
Coffee/tea break			
11:00-12:30	*Breakout Group Discussions*		
Lunch break			
14:00-16:00	*Breakout Group reports back to plenary*		
Coffee/tea break			
16:30-18:30	8. Any Other Business	no document	
	9. Closure of the Meeting	no document	