

# Prospect for expansion of CDS in tuna RFMOs

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# 1. Overview

			1993	2000	2002	2003	2008	2010	2021			
ICCAT	BFT	SDP										
		CDS										
	BET	SDP										
	SWO	SDP										
IOTC	BET	SDP										
IATTC	BET	SDP										
CCSBT	SBT	SDP										
		CDS										
WCPFC												

SDP (Statistical Document Program) traces movement of fish from export to import

CDS (Catch Documentation Scheme) traces movement of fish from catch to import, including transfer of fish from fishing vessel to cages and harvest of fish from cages

## 2. ICCAT

- IUU prompted ICCAT to move from SDP to CDS for BFT
- Electronic CDS introduced in 2013 to detect fraud, prevent erroneous entry, expedite process, reduce the workload and so on
  
- SDP for BET covers only frozen products
- Attempts were made to expand the scope of the SDP or CDS, but all failed
- In 2021, WG established to discuss whether expansion is valid and necessary

### 3. IOTC

- 2008: EU proposed to expand the scope of BET SDP to cover fresh one
- 2009: EU proposed CDS for YFT
- 2010: EU proposed CDS for tropical tunas
- 2011: Japan proposed CDS for BET and sharks and EU proposed CDS for tropical tunas
- 2012 and 2013: EU proposed CDS for tropical tunas



All attempts failed

- CDS WG established in 2019 based on 2016 performance review
- 5th WG held in October 2021 agreed to cover three tropical species
- 6th WG will be held in February 2022

## 4. IATTC

- 2010: Japan proposed CDS for tropical tunas, ALB, SWO, BFT and sharks and EU proposed CDS for tropical tunas and SWO
- 2011: Japan proposed CDS for BET and sharks and EU proposed CDS for tropical tunas
- 2012: EU proposed CDS for tropical tunas
- 2013: EU proposed to establish CDS WG



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## 5. WCPFC

- 2013: 1st CDS WG meeting
- 2014: CDS workshop
- 2015: 2nd CDS WG meeting
- 2016: 3rd CDS WG meeting (agreed to cover tropical tunas and albacore)
  
- Pacific BFT CDS WG established in 2017 and its meeting was held in 2018 and 2019
- BFT WG is asking if the Commission wants to establish a system covering all the species

## 6. Way forward

### How to expand the scope or coverage?

- Urge ICCAT and IOTC to work harder
- Market pressure
- Pressure from importing countries

### How to align schemes across RFMOs?

- Kobe process (CDS workshop)
- Meeting of countries which are members to more than two tuna RFMOs (Australia, China, Canada, EU, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, US)
- ICCAT→IATTC, ICCAT→IOTC