Regional Workshop on the FAO Voluntary Guidelines for Transshipment

Madrid, Spain, 11-14 December 2023

PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND TIMETABLE

Monday 11 December

Morning 9:30 – 12:30

1. Opening by the Government of Spain

2. Workshop arrangements and objectives

3. International framework to prevent, deter and eliminate IUU fishing

4. Background to the development of the FAO Voluntary Guidelines for Transshipment (VGT)

Afternoon 14:00 - 17:00

5. Regulation, monitoring and control of transshipment in the region
   Participants are invited to present their national and regional contexts.

Tuesday 12 December

Morning 9:30 – 12:30

6. Understanding the objectives and requirements contained in the provisions of the VGT

Afternoon 14:00 - 17:00

7. The relevance of the VGT for the implementation of the Agreement on Port State Measures and other complementary instruments.
Wednesday 13 December

Morning 9:30 – 12:30

8. Breakout groups
Four breakout groups will discuss the benefits of the implementation of the VGT within the context of the region / sub-regions. A questionnaire developed by FAO will be used as a basis for the discussions. Actions at national and regional level, including through Regional Fisheries Bodies, will be identified to implement the VGT.

Afternoon 14:00 - 17:00

8. (Cont.)

Thursday 14 December

Morning 9:30 – 12:30

9. Consolidating results of breakout groups

10. Conclusions and follow up

11. Closure of the workshop