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## **Thirty-fourth Session of the FAO Committee on Fisheries (COFI)**

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AND THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

The Thirty-fourth Session of COFI has been rescheduled from July 2020 to a virtual meeting being held from 1 to 5 February 2021. In accordance with the decision at CCAMLR-39 (paragraph 8.49), the Executive Secretary will attend as an observer. The invitation and agenda are attached for the information of Members.

Sincerely,

Dr David Agnew  
Executive Secretary

Attch.

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## Invitation to the Thirty-fourth Session of the Committee on Fisheries

1-5 February 2021

Reply requested by 15 January 2021

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The Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations has the honour to extend an invitation to attend the Thirty-fourth Session of the Committee on Fisheries (COFI), which will be held virtually from 1 to 5 February 2021. The opening meeting will commence at 09.30 hours on Monday, 1 February 2021.

The Session is being convened under the provisions of Article V-6 of the FAO Constitution and is open to Members of the Committee as well as to observers officially invited.

The Session will be conducted in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish.

The Provisional Agenda is enclosed. As part of this session of COFI, a High-level Special Event celebrating the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries is scheduled on 1 February 2021. Further documents for the Session will be available on and may also be downloaded from the following Website: <http://www.fao.org/cofi>

The Director-General would appreciate receiving by 15 January 2021 the names, official titles and addresses of the observers designated to attend by email to: [FAO-COFI@fao.org](mailto:FAO-COFI@fao.org). The International Organizations Observer Registration Form is available on the above-mentioned website and should be completed by each member of the delegation. Online registration requires the insertion of an email account in the form for accreditation. The link to access the virtual meeting will be made available upon receipt of the above information and the same email address will have to be inserted in the Zoom registration form to grant representatives access to the virtual meeting platform.

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This invitation is being sent to Heads of selected International Organizations.



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# COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES

## Thirty-fourth Session

1-5 February 2021<sup>1</sup>

## PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the Session
2. Adoption of the Agenda and arrangements for the Session
3. Designation of Drafting Committee
4. Status, trends, emerging issues and innovative responses to ensure responsible and sustainable fisheries and aquaculture: Building back better
5. Decisions and recommendations of the Tenth Session of the COFI Sub-Committee on Aquaculture, Trondheim, Norway, 23–27 August 2019  
*“Progress report on the implementation of FAO Action Plan on Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) 2016-2020, and the proposal for a new FAO Action Plan on AMR 2021-2025”* will be discussed under this item.
6. Decisions and recommendations of the Seventeenth Session of the COFI Sub-Committee on Fish Trade, Vigo, Spain, 25–29 November 2019
7. Contribution of fisheries and aquaculture to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development  
*“Vision and Strategy for FAO’s Work in Nutrition”* will be discussed under this item.
8. Supporting small-scale and artisanal fisheries
9. Combatting Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) fishing
10. Developments in global and regional processes related to fisheries and aquaculture
11. Addressing climate change and other environment-related matters in fisheries and aquaculture

<sup>1</sup> Rescheduled from 13-17 July 2020

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- 11.1 Implementation of the FAO Strategy on Biodiversity Mainstreaming across fisheries and aquaculture ( “*Draft 2021-23 Action Plan of the FAO Strategy on Mainstreaming Biodiversity across Agricultural Sectors*” will be discussed under this item )
  12. Enhancing COFI discussions on fisheries management: Proposal for a new COFI Sub-Committee on Fisheries Management
  13. FAO's Programme of Work in fisheries and aquaculture under the FAO Strategic Framework
    - 13.1 Terms of Reference of the International Platform for Digital Food and Agriculture
  14. Multi-year Programme of Work (MYPOW) of the Committee
  15. Election of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons of the 35th Session of COFI
  16. Date and place of the 35th Session of COFI
  17. Any Other matters
    - 17.1 Developments in *fora* of importance for the mandate of COFI: *for information*
  18. Adoption of the Report