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Atelier sur les avancées scientifiques concernant la phase 2 de l'AMPMW : invitation de la Norvège

À TOUS LES MEMBRES DE LA COMMISSION ET DU COMITÉ SCIENTIFIQUE

Veuillez trouver ci-joint une invitation à l'atelier WSMPA Phase 2 Scientific Progress Workshop qui se tiendra en ligne du 10 au 12 mai 2021.

Cordialement,

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Invitation

WSMPA Phase 2 Scientific Progress Workshop

Dear colleagues,

As you will recall it has been proposed that the Weddell Sea Marine Protected Area (WSMPA) be adopted by CCAMLR in two phases: WSMPA Phase 1 and WSMPA Phase 2. WSMPA Phase 2 will extend the proposed Weddell Sea Marine Protected Area across the Domain 4 region and shall be submitted to the Commission by 2022/23. Norway is leading the work on WSMPA Phase 2, and the Norwegian Polar Institute (NPI), in consultation with the Norwegian Institute of Marine Research (IMR), has been tasked to compile and analyse the data for this area. In the WSMPA Phase 2 workplan (see SC-CAMLR-39/BG/20) Norway has indicated that a workshop will be held in advance of WG-EMM in 2021 to enable the scientific community to consider and assess the scientific data available and new scientific information generated to support the development of WSMPA Phase 2.

On this basis, the Norwegian Polar Institute is pleased to extend this invitation to an online workshop which will take place between the **10-12**th **May 2021.** This invitation is a place holder, and more detailed information including information on registration will follow later.

The purpose of the workshop is to ensure the best currently available scientific basis for the WSMPA Phase 2 by inviting experts to engage with the scientific progress so far to support the design of WSMPA P2.

The tentative plan for the workshop is 3 hour long daily sessions starting at 9am Norwegian time (GMT+1) over the three days. The workshop will include discussions on:

- Status and progress in terms of the science planning document
- New and updated data for the planning area
- New and updated modelling efforts
- A suggested spatial planning approach.

We would like to encourage you, as the SC-representative, to nominate additional relevant scientific experts from your Party to attend the workshop. At this stage we have not set a limit on the number of participants. We would appreciate receiving a preliminary interest of attendance.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any queries regarding the planned workshop.

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