



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ON THE CONSERVATION OF
MIGRATORY SHARKS**

CMS/Sharks/Outcome 3.12

14 December 2018

3rd Meeting of the Signatories (Sharks MOS3)
Monaco, 10 – 14 December 2018

**TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE
INTERSESSIONAL WORKING GROUP ON CONSERVATION MEASURES**

The MOS3 in-session Working Group on “Species-specific Conservation Measures concluded the following for the intersessional period:

1. General considerations:

- The meeting was not ready to take a decision on the species-specific conservation measures as recommended by the Advisory Committee;
- The factsheets were considered useful as a source of information and to provide guidance to Signatories.

2. Tasks:

- The species factsheets should be reviewed by Signatories;
- The AC will finalize the species factsheets based on comments received by Signatories;
- Factsheets would have to be updated regularly based on new information by the AC;
- The alternative title “Suggestions for Action” instead of “Recommendations for species-specific Conservation Measures” should be used in the factsheets;
- There should be an additional factsheet produced summarizing actions across species;
- The factsheets with information on the Shark MOU should be updated.

3. Process to review species factsheets:

- The Secretariat will make the factsheets available to the Signatories for comments by **31 March 2019**;
- The Secretariat will facilitate communication between Signatories and the AC.
- The Chair of the AC with support from South Africa will compile the comments.
- The AC will finalize the factsheets based on comments received and provide final versions for information to Signatories by the deadline of **30 April 2019**.
- If no objections are received from Signatories by the end of **June 2019**, the Secretariat will make the factsheets available online and as printed versions as required.