

2<sup>ND</sup> MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SINGLE SPECIES ACTION PLAN FOR  
THE ANGELSHARK IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA (ANGELSHARK MED WG2)  
Bonn, Germany, 3 December 2026  
Agenda Item 2

## PROVISIONAL AGENDA

*(Prepared by the Secretariat)*

**Thursday 3 December 2026**

| Agenda item                                  | Annotation/Action Requested                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Documents                       |
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| 1. Opening of the Meeting<br>(9:30–9:40)     | Opening remarks from the Secretariat and Working Group Members (speakers tbc).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | No document                     |
| 2. Adoption of the Agenda<br>(9:40-9:45)     | Working Group Members will review the Provisional Annotated Agenda, make changes as required, and adopt a final agenda for the purpose of this meeting.<br><br><b>The Working Group is requested to:</b><br>Review and adopt the agenda for this meeting.                                                                                                                                                                     | UNEP/CMS/Angelshark WG2/Doc.2.1 |
| <b>REPORTING AND IMPLEMENTATION</b>          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                 |
| 3. Report of the Secretariat<br>(9:45-10:00) | The Secretariat will update the Working Group on its mandate and progress made on the implementation of the Single Species Action Plan for the Angelshark in the Mediterranean Sea (SSAP Angelshark Med), since the 1st meeting of the Working Group in April 2025 and CMS COP15 in March 2026.<br><br><b>The Working Group is requested to:</b><br>Note the report and to provide guidance to the Secretariat, as required.  | UNEP/CMS/Angelshark WG2/Doc.3.1 |
| 4. National Reporting<br>(10:00-10:15)       | The Secretariat will introduce an overview on the National Reports provided by the Range States on the implementation of the SSAP Angelshark Med.<br><br><b>The Working Group is requested to:</b><br>a) Review the summary of the reports submitted by Range States and the ASCN;<br>b) Inform about additional activities undertaken; and<br>c) Make recommendations for further implementation of the SSAP Angelshark Med. | UNEP/CMS/Angelshark WG2/Doc.4.1 |
| 5. Implementation<br>(10:15-11:00)           | The members of the Working Group will provide an update on the initiatives, progress and projects associated with the implementation of the SSAP Angelshark Med.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | No document                     |

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|                                                                   | <b>The Working Group is requested to:</b><br>Note the updates on implementation and provide comments as necessary.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                 |
| <b>SHORT BREAK 11:00-11:15</b>                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                 |
| 6. Area-based management<br>(11:15-12:00)                         | <p>The Angel Shark Project will introduce the updated spatial advice document that includes an overview of current area-based management approaches for angel sharks in the Mediterranean Sea, in accordance with Objective 2 of the SSAP Angelshark Med. The Working Group will discuss the target that was set and presented to COP15 and agree on the next steps.</p> <p><b>The Working Group is requested to:</b><br/>a) Note the updates on implementation and provide comments as necessary.<br/>b) Review the guidance provided and agree on next steps and recommendations to the Sessional Committee before COP16.</p> | UNEP/CMS/Angelshark WG2/Doc.6.1 |
| 7. Data Sharing Protocol<br>(12:00-12:30)                         | <p>The Secretariat will introduce an approach to develop a Data Sharing Protocol that will facilitate the exchange of angel shark occurrence, bycatch and monitoring data among Range States and partners.</p> <p><b>The Working Group is requested to:</b><br/>a) Review the proposal; and<br/>b) Agree on next steps for its adoption and implementation.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | UNEP/CMS/Angelshark WG2/Doc.7.1 |
| <b>LUNCH BREAK 12:30-13:30</b>                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                 |
| 8. Policy panorama in the Mediterranean<br>(13:30-14:00)          | <p>WWF Mediterranean will introduce an overview of the current major policy frameworks and processes in the Mediterranean, that may affect angel sharks and where alignment with CMS can be useful. This includes the EU Nature Restoration Law, GFCM, etc.</p> <p><b>The Working Group is requested to:</b><br/>Agree on an alignment strategy with other policy instruments and ongoing initiatives in the Mediterranean.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                 | No document                     |
| 9. <i>S. squatina</i> Red List Assessment update<br>(14:00-14:10) | Agenda item, speakers and action requested tbc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | No document                     |
| 10. Communication, Tools and Guidelines<br>(14:10-14:20)          | <p>The Secretariat will provide an update on communication tools and outreach materials, including the angel shark website, Annex IV species identification materials, and other communication products.</p> <p><b>The Working Group is requested to:</b><br/>Note the update and provide suggestions for further communication activities.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | No document                     |

| INSTITUTIONAL MATTERS                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                  |
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| 11. Programme of Work and Budget<br>(14:20-14:40)       | <p>The Secretariat will present a draft Programme of Work (PoW) for the 2026–2027 period, outlining priority actions, key implementing partners and estimated costs for implementation. The POW will also include draft project descriptions provided by the ASCN aiming to support Range States with the implementation of the SSAP, with estimated budgets attached.</p> <p><b>The Working Group is requested to:</b><br/> a) Review and agree on the Programme of Work in Annex 1; and<br/> b) Assess the project proposals in Annex 2 and select and endorse activities for fundraising/funding.</p> | UNEP/CMS/Angelshark WG2/Doc.11.1 |
| 12. Election of the Chair<br>(14:40-14:50)              | <p><b>The Working Group is requested to:</b><br/> Select a chair for the term 2026-2027 or, if no chair can be selected, agree on an alternative way forward with the WG Coordinator.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | No document                      |
| 13. Date and host for the next meeting<br>(14:50-14:55) | <p><b>The Working Group is requested to:</b><br/> Agree on a format (in person or online) for the next meeting of the Working Group and a meeting date.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | No document                      |
| 14. Closure of the meeting<br>(14:55-15:00)             | Final remarks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | No document                      |