
WORKSHOP DESIGN

The workshop was an activity of the FAO-COPEMED Field Project whose development objective is to assist in sustainable fisheries management in Mediterranean Sea. Immediate objectives of the project include, among others, support to multilateral organisations and their scientific committees (GFCM/SAC, ICCAT/SCRS) and organisation of regional research programmes and activities. The workshop was held in Palma de Mallorca - Balearic Islands (Spain) where one of the centres of the Spanish Institute of Oceanography (IEO) is located. Participants from eight Mediterranean countries attended. Care was taken to provide a balance in representation from countries of the COPEMED area (Western and Central parts of the Mediterranean), in areas of expertise (fishery biology and oceanography), and in GFCM fishing areas (Western and Central Mediterranean, Adriatic, Aegean and Black Seas). Three experts from outside the region were also invited as keynote speakers (A. Bakun, P. Cury and W. Wooster).

The daily schedule (see agenda in annex I) included:

- a) Presentation sessions, where research in this field conducted by participants was presented.
- b) Discussion sessions.
- c) A final discussion session on future directions was held on the last day.