

**RESOLUTION 21/XXIII**

**Electronic Catch Documentation Scheme for *Dissostichus* spp.**

Species	toothfish
Area	all
Season	all
Gear	all

The Commission,

Noting the successful implementation of the trial electronic Catch Documentation Scheme for *Dissostichus* spp. (E-CDS) during the intersessional period,

Desiring to ensure that *Dissostichus* Catch Documents are handled in the most efficient and timely way,

Aware of the importance of applying the best technologies to make the functioning of the Catch Documentation Scheme for *Dissostichus* spp. (CDS) more secure against, *inter alia*, possible fraudulent activities;

Noting that, whilst paper-based *Dissostichus* Catch Documents will, for the time being, also be retained, some Contracting Parties are already converting to electronic systems,

1. Urges Contracting Parties, and non-Contracting Parties cooperating in the CDS, to adopt the E-CDS as a matter of priority.
2. Requests the Secretariat to compile information relating to, and submit a report on, the implementation of the E-CDS so that the effectiveness of the electronic scheme can be reviewed at the next meeting of the Commission.