

PUBLICATIONS

12.1 The seventh volume of *CCAMLR Science* was published immediately prior to CCAMLR-XIX. The Scientific Committee praised Dr Sabourenkov (Editor) and the Secretariat's production team for the high quality of their work. The seventh volume is the first volume of *CCAMLR Science* to be included in the *Science Citation Index*. This was a major development for the journal and reflects on the high scientific standing achieved by *CCAMLR Science*.

12.2 The following documents were also published during 2000:

- *CCAMLR Scientific Abstracts*;
- *Statistical Bulletin*, Volume 12 (1990–1999); and
- Revisions of *Scientific Observers Manual* and *CCAMLR Inspectors Manual*.

12.3 The Scientific Committee reviewed its decision regarding the publication of a synopsis of the electronic book *Understanding CCAMLR's Approach to Management*. The Scientific Committee agreed that the publication of the synopsis as a pamphlet should proceed as planned.

12.4 The Scientific Committee noted that the *Fishery Data Manual* was available only on the CCAMLR website, and only in English. The Scientific Committee also noted the usefulness of this manual and the need for wider dissemination of these guidelines. However, it was agreed to postpone the translation of the manual, and its publication in loose-leaf format, due to financial limitations in 2001.

12.5 Last year the Scientific Committee recommended that the headings and figure and table captions of the Russian publication *Fish and Fish Resources of Antarctica* should be translated into English so that the Editorial Board could evaluate further translation of this book (SC-CAMLR-XVIII, paragraphs 12.12 and 12.13).

12.6 Dr Miller advised that the Board had met in October 2000 to consider the general contents of the book, and the headings and figure and table captions which had been translated by the Secretariat. The Editorial Board had decided that further translation of the book was not appropriate. However, the Board recommended that Dr Sabourenkov should review the book, and that his review be published in *CCAMLR Science*.

12.7 Dr Ramm reported on the main new features of the CCAMLR website which were of direct relevance to the Scientific Committee (CCAMLR-XIX/BG/7). Significant developments had been achieved since CCAMLR-XVIII, and major sections of the website were now available in all four languages of the Commission.

12.8 Major publications available on the website included:

- Commission and Scientific Committee Reports, 1998 and 1999;
- *CCAMLR Science* table of contents and abstracts;
- *Schedule of Conservation Measures in Force* 1998/99 and 1999/2000;
- *Statistical Bulletin*;
- *Understanding CCAMLR's Approach to Management*; and
- CCAMLR Newsletters.

12.9 The website also contained information on secure (password-protected) sections. This information included meeting documents, information supporting the activities of SCOI, and real-time access to CDS information and selected data. The Secretariat issues usernames and passwords for accessing these sections to the official contacts of the Commission and Scientific Committee. These contacts are responsible for forwarding this information to the members of their CCAMLR delegations.

12.10 The Scientific Committee briefly discussed the issue of passwords and access to the secure pages of the website and recommended that this process be simplified, where possible, so as to improve the ease of navigation within the website while maintaining appropriate levels of security.

12.11 The Scientific Committee recognised the need for high-speed access to the CCAMLR website during the periods leading up to major meetings, such as those of WG-FSA (Annex 5, paragraphs 9.5 and 9.6). It recommended that sufficient funds should be made available to allow the Secretariat to increase the speed of its internet connection at the time of meetings (see Section 14).

12.12 The Scientific Committee noted that the public profile of the CCAMLR website was increasing. So far this year, the website has received more than 16 650 visits from 56 countries.

12.13 The Scientific Committee agreed that the CCAMLR website had become a very useful tool. Further developments would, in the long term, lead to a reduction in the costs of publication and dissemination of information via mail or facsimile. However, the Scientific Committee agreed that such long-term savings could only be achieved by investing, over the short term, in new infrastructure in support of the website and related office technology.

12.14 The Scientific Committee commended Mrs R. Marazas (webmaster), Mr F. Cariaga and the other Secretariat staff involved, for their continued efforts in developing the website.