



**Transboundary population structure of Round Sardinella
in the Eastern Mediterranean – Levantine Basin.
FAO HQs Rome, Italy 21-22 March 2019**

DRAFT Agenda

THURSDAY 21 MARCH

09.00-10.00 Opening and arrangements of the meeting

Welcome addresses and introduction of participants
Adoption of the agenda
Introduction of the meeting objectives and expected outputs

10.30-11.00

Introduction to the EastMed activity on stock boundaries of *Sardinella aurita* (Stefano Lelli, FAO/EastMed Project)

10.30-11.00 Coffee break

11.00-12.30

Task “Morphometry, Meristics and Life history traits”: material and methods to investigate round sardinella population structure (Reda Fahim, AAST)
Task “Otolith Shape Analysis”: material and methods to investigate round sardinella population structure (Sharif Jemaa – CNRS-L)

12.30-14.00 Lunch break

14.00 – 15.30

Task “Genetic markers for stock boundaries analysis” (Alice Ferrari - University of Bologna)
Overview of the task “Environmental and Fisheries Data” (Mumtaz Tirasin, Dokuz Eylul University)

15.30 - 16.00 Coffee break

16:00 - 17.30

Discussion on:

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- b) Rules and responsibilities
- c) Centralised Vs Country-based
- d) Procedures for samples sharing

- e) Ongoing sampling programs (surveys and landings) in place in each country and sampling needs for the application of the different techniques, including:
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 - geographical coverage
 - period of the year
 - any needed treatment and transportation protocols.
- f) Any other matter related to the concrete implementation of the project

FRIDAY 22 MARCH

Morning Session, 09:30-12:30

09.30-10.30 Continued discussion and finalization of work plan

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Conclusions and closure of the meeting