

DOCUMENT CONTAINING WRITTEN COMMENTS OF GFCM ON DRAFT RESOLUTIONS OF MOP9
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1. ACCOBAMS-MOP9/2025/DraftRes9.15

Suggest adding it to the recalling section:

Recalling the Resolution GFCM/46/2023/4 on a regional plan of action to monitor and mitigate interactions between fisheries and vulnerable species in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea,

To correct:

Recalling Recommendation GFCM/29/2005/1 on the management of certain fisheries exploiting demersal and deepwater species and the establishment of a fisheries restricted area below 1000 m~~M~~, adopted by the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM),

2. ACCOBAMS-MOP9/2025/DraftRes9.19

Suggest adding GFCM to paragraph 5

5. Requests the Secretariat to further collaborate with other organisations such as the International Whaling Commission and the Secretariats of Bonn, Barcelona and Bucharest Conventions, **General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean** and with the Sub-Regional Coordination Units to provide support for capacity building on monitoring the impact of marine debris on cetaceans.

3. ACCOBAMS-MOP9/2025/DraftRes9.21

Suggest adding it to the recalling section:

Recalling the Resolution GFCM/43/2019/2 on enhancing the conservation of cetaceans in the GFCM area of application and Recommendation GFCM/44/2021/15 on the mitigation of fisheries impacts for the conservation of cetaceans;

Suggest adding to paragraph 3:

3. Requests the Secretariat to:

a) liaise with the Information and Communication Regional Activity Center (INFO/RAC), ~~and~~ the Priority Actions Programme Regional Activity Center (PAP/RAC), ~~and~~ the Knowledge Management Platform (KMaP) **and the GFCM Regional Platform on Selectivity, Vulnerable Species and Decarbonization**, as well as continue exploration of the facilities of the NETCCOBAMS network;