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International Scientific Committee  
for Tuna and Tuna-Like Species in the North Pacific Ocean  
Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan  
18-23 July 2012*

**Invitation - North Pacific  
Marine Science Organization (PICES)  
Twenty First Annual Meeting<sup>1</sup>**

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Dr. Gerard DiNardo  
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and Tuna-like Species in the North Pacific Ocean (ISC)  
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**Re: Invitation - North Pacific Marine Science Organization (PICES)  
PICES-2012, Twenty First Annual Meeting**

Dear Dr. DiNardo,

On behalf of the Council of the North Pacific Marine Science Organization (PICES), I have the honour of inviting an ISC representative to be present as an observer at our Twenty First Annual Meeting to be held in Hiroshima, Japan. The theme for PICES-2012 is "*Effects of natural and anthropogenic stressors in the North Pacific ecosystems: Scientific challenges and possible solutions*".

Should ISC decide to participate, it would be greatly appreciated if the name(s) and contact information of your appointed observer(s) could be forwarded to the PICES Secretariat by July 2, 2012. If your representative would like to address PICES on collaborative issues, we will gladly arrange a time for this presentation to be given at our Committee meeting(s), to be held Wednesday afternoon, October 17.

To allow our participants to learn more about ISC, it would be desirable to have a poster display that gives some general information and highlights of your Organization's scientific objectives and recent activities. If your representative is interested in presenting a poster, please kindly indicate in your response to me so a poster board can be arranged.

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Details of the scientific program, schedule, registration, hotel accommodation and other logistics for the meeting can be found on the PICES website at:  
<http://www.pices.int/meetings/annual/PICES-2012/2012-background.aspx>.

Your representative can register for the meeting on-line. Should he/she have any questions, please contact me or our Database and Web Administrator, Ms. Julia Yazvenko at [secretariat@pices.int](mailto:secretariat@pices.int).

**Chairman**

Lev N. Bocharov

Thank you very much for your attention in this matter and I hope to see you or your representative in Hiroshima.

**Vice-Chairman**

Laura Richards

Yours sincerely,



**Executive Secretary**

Alexander S. Bychkov

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