



**PROVISIONAL: AGENDA FOR THE 27th SESSION OF THE IPHC
RESEARCH ADVISORY BOARD (RAB027)**

Date: 17-18 November 2026

Location: Seattle, Washington, USA

Venue: IPHC HQ office

Time: 17th: 09:00-16:00; 18th: 09:00-12:00

Chairperson: Dr David T. Wilson (Executive Director)

Vice-Chairperson: Dr Josep V. Planas (Biological & Ecosystem Sciences Branch Manager)

- 1. OPENING OF THE SESSION (Chairperson)**
- 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION (Chairperson)**
- 3. IPHC PROCESS (Chairperson)**
 - 3.1 Update on the actions arising from the 26th Session of the RAB (RAB026)
 - 3.2 Outcomes of the 102nd Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM102)
- 4. SEASON OVERVIEW – 2026: RAB MEMBERS**
- 5. INTERNATIONAL PACIFIC HALIBUT COMMISSION INTEGRATED RESEARCH AND MONITORING PLAN**
 - 5.1 RESEARCH**
 - 5.1.1 Biology and ecology**
 - Description of IPHC Biological and Ecosystem Sciences Research (Core research streams)
 - 5.2 MONITORING**
 - 5.2.1 Fishery-dependent data**
 - 5.2.2 Fishery-independent data**
 - 2026 FISS season: Design and implementation (K. Ualesi)
 - IPHC Fishery-Independent Setline Survey (FISS)
 - 2027-29 FISS design evaluation (R. Webster)
- 6. GUIDANCE ON, AND DISCUSSION OF, OTHER POTENTIAL APPLIED RESEARCH PROJECTS (Chairperson & Vice-Chairperson)**
- 7. OTHER BUSINESS**
- 8. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE 27th SESSION OF THE IPHC RESEARCH ADVISORY BOARD (RAB027) (Chairperson)**

**SCHEDULE FOR THE 27th SESSION OF THE IPHC
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Tuesday, 17 November 2026		
Time	Agenda item	Lead
09:00-09:05	1. Opening of the Session	D. Wilson
09:05-09:15	2. Adoption of the agenda and arrangements for the Session	D. Wilson
09:15-09:30	3. IPHC Process	D. Wilson
09:30-10:30	4. Season overview: RAB members	RAB Members
10:30-10:45	Break	
10:45-10:55	5. International Pacific Halibut Commission Integrated Research and Monitoring Plan	D. Wilson
10:55-11:40	5.1 Research: Biology and Ecology - Description of IPHC Biological and Ecosystem Sciences Research (Core research streams)	J. Planas & Project leaders
11:40-12:30	5.2 Monitoring: 5.2.1 Fishery-dependent data 5.2.2 Fishery-independent data • 2026 FISS season: Design and implementation • IPHC Fishery-Independent Setline Survey (FISS) – 2027-29 FISS design evaluation	B. Hutzniczak K. Ualesi R. Webster
12:30-13:30	Lunch	
13:30-16:00	6. Guidance on, and discussion of, other potential applied research projects	RAB Members
16:30-21:00	RAB Function/dinner	All
Wednesday, 18 November 2026		
Time	Agenda item	Lead
09:00-10:15	Guidance on, and discussion of, other potential applied research projects (cont.)	RAB Members
10:15-10:30	7. Other business	D. Wilson
10:30-10:45	Break	
10:45-12:00	8. Review of the draft and adoption of the report of the 27 th Session of the IPHC Research Advisory Board (RAB027)	D. Wilson
12:00-13:00	Lunch and Departure	