

Tentative Schedule for the 2026 SPF Symposium (Ver. 1) (Nov.20, 2025)

Time		Events			
Mon. May 4 CICIMAR	08:30–18:00	Registration			
	09:00–10:50	Workshop 2	Workshop 3	Workshop 4	Workshop 8
	10:50–11:10	Coffee Break			
	11:10–13:00	Workshop 2	Workshop 3	Workshop 4	Workshop 8
	13:00–14:30	Lunch Break			
	14:30–18:30	Workshop 7	Workshop 5	Workshop 6	Workshop 1
	16:20–16:40	Coffee Break			
	16:40–18:30	Workshop 7	Workshop 5	Workshop 6	Workshop 1
	19:00–21:00	Welcome Reception Azula Garden			
Tues. May 5 ICC	08:30–18:00	Registration			
	09:00–09:30	Opening Ceremony			
	09:30–11:00	Plenary Session - Plenary Speaker – Rubén Rodríguez-Sanchez - Plenary Speaker – Myron Peck - Plenary Speaker – Maria de Lourdes Sardinha			
	11:00–11:30	Coffee Break			
	11:30–13:00	Plenary Session - Session 5 Plenary Speaker – Nina Therkildsen - Session 6 Plenary Speaker – Mark Dickey-Collas - Session 8 Plenary Speaker – William Griffin			
	13:00–14:30	Lunch Break			
	14:30–16:00	Session 6	Session 5	Session 8	
	16:00–16:20	Coffee Break			
	16:20–18:00	Session 6	Session 5	Session 8	
	18:00–19:30	Earl Career Scientist Mentoring Event			
Wed. May 6 ICC	08:30–18:00	Registration			
	09:00–11:00	Plenary Session - Plenary Speaker – Akinori Takasuka - Session 1 Plenary Speaker – Éva Plagányi - Session 2 Plenary Speaker – Shin-ichi Ito - Session 7 Plenary Speaker – Cor Blonk			
	11:00–11:30	Coffee Break			
	11:30–13:00	Session 6	Session 5	Session 2	
	13:00–14:30	Lunch Break			
	14:30–16:00	Session 7	Session 5	Session 2	
	16:00–16:20	Coffee Break			
	16:20–18:00	Session 7	Session 5	Session 1	
	18:00–20:00	Poster Session/Reception			

Thurs. May 7 ICC	08:30–18:00	Registration		
	09:00–11:00	Plenary Session ○ Plenary Speaker – Claus Reedtz Sparrevohn ○ Session 3 Plenary Speaker – Dominique Robert ○ Session 4 Plenary Speaker – Heidi Pethybridge ○ Session 9 Plenary Speaker – Andrés Cisneros-Montemayor		
	11:00–11:30	Coffee Break		
	11:30–13:00	Session 3	Session 5	Session 1
	13:00–14:30	Lunch Break		
	14:30–16:00	Session 3	Session 4	Session 1
	16:00–16:20	Coffee Break		
	16:20–18:00	Session 3	Session 4	Session 1
	19:00–22:00	Symposium Dinner La Posada Hotel and Beach Club		
Fri. May 8 ICC	09:00–10:30	Session 3	Session 4	Session 9
	10:30–10:50	Coffee Break		
	10:50–12:30	Session 3	Session 4	Session 9
	12:30–14:00	Lunch Break		
	14:00–17:30	Plenary Session and Closing Ceremony ○ Plenary Speakers – Jürgen Alheit , Ryan Rykaczewski ○ Panel discussion on symposium key messages (to be identified by symposium conveners, the SSC and topic session co-chairs) ○ Symposium awards		

Topic Sessions

- S1: Bridging the Gap: From Ecological Data and Models to Fisheries Decision-Making
- S2: New Approaches for Assessment of Human Impacts Beyond Fisheries
- S3: Life History Variation Across Space, Time, and Ontogeny: Implications for Populations, Ecosystems, and Fisheries
- S4: Forage Fish and Food Webs: Trophic Dynamics of Small Pelagic Fish, from Freshwater to the Open Ocean
- S5: Spatiotemporal Dynamics of Small Pelagic Fishes in a Changing Ocean
- S6: Managing Small-Pelagic Fisheries within an Ecosystem Approach: Lessons, Challenges, and Outlook
- S7: Integrating Social Metrics into Economic Growth Strategies for Small Pelagic Fisheries
- S8: Maximizing Value and Sustainability in Small Pelagic Fisheries: Markets, Nutrition, and the Post-Harvest Sector
- S9: Modeling Human Choices Regarding Harvest and Management of Small Pelagic Stocks

Workshops

- W1: Conceptualizing a Vulnerability Analysis for Anthropogenic Stressors on Small Pelagic Fish Communities
- W2: Best Practices for Improving Assessment of Small Pelagic Fishes Using Environmental Indicators
- W3: Addressing Knowledge Gaps and Future-proofing Monitoring of Small Pelagic Communities Using Novel Methods and Technologies
- W4: Identifying Management- and Industry-informed Research Priorities for SPFs
- W5: Revisiting the Potential of Sedimentary Records: New Answers to Old (and Emerging) Questions on Forage Fish Ecology *versus* Climate Variability
- W6: Advancing Spatio-Temporal Species Distribution Models for Fish: Challenges, Methodologies, and Collaborative Solutions
- W7: Operationalizing Ecosystem-Based Management of Forage Species using Management Strategy Evaluation
- W8: Maximizing Nutrient Yield from Marine Ecosystems: Nutrition-sensitive Management Strategies Based on the Nutrient Composition of Small Pelagic Fish