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**Meeting for the preparation of the  
High-level meeting on small-scale fisheries**

**FAO headquarters, Rome, Italy, 2 March 2018**

**DRAFT AGENDA**

**FRIDAY 2 MARCH**

*Morning session, 9:30 – 12:30 hours*

- 1. Opening and arrangements of the meeting**
- 2. General introduction to the meeting** *(by the GFCM Secretariat)*
  - Importance of small-scale fisheries: characteristics of the sector and salient outcomes of GFCM activities
  - Key messages emanating from relevant initiatives and international instruments (such as the FAO SSF Guidelines, the MedFish4Ever Ministerial Declaration and the Conclusions of the SSF Regional Conference)
  - Open discussion
- 3. Regional Plan of Action for Small-Scale Fisheries in the Mediterranean and Black Sea**
  - Discussion of a draft Ministerial Declaration\*

*Afternoon session, 14:00-17:00*

- 3. Regional Plan of Action for Small-Scale Fisheries in the Mediterranean and Black Sea (cont.)**
- 4. Organizational aspects for the High-level meeting**
  - Discussion on the preliminary programme, including format and priority topics
  - Identification of key participants and partner organizations
  - Relevant side events, poster sessions and workshops
- 5. Conclusions and next steps**
- 6. Any other matter**
- 7. Closure of the meeting**

*\*A proposal will be shared with participants in the week preceding the meeting*