

 <p>Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels</p>	<p><b>Thirteenth Meeting of the Seabird Bycatch Working Group</b></p> <p><i>Swakopmund, Namibia, 27 – 29 May 2026</i></p> <p><b>Review of current CCAMLR discussions addressing seabird bycatch and mitigation in the continuous trawl krill fishery</b></p> <p><b><i>Marco Favero</i></b></p>
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### **SUMMARY**

In 1991 the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR) introduced Conservation Measure 30/X prohibiting the use of net monitoring cables (NMC) on trawl vessels from the 1994/95 season. This measure was adopted in response to international concerns about NMC as an important source of seabird mortality due to strikes on these and warp cables. Further, in 1999 CCAMLR adopted Measure 173/XVIII, and CM 25-03 in 2003, subsequently updated multiple times until present. The actual derogation of CM 25-03 allowing the use of NMC under certain circumstances generated a substantial amount of information and triggered discussions on seabird data collection issues and mitigation design and performance in krill trawlers. The purpose of this paper is to assist SBWG13 in better understanding the complexity of the scenario that CCAMLR is facing, using as an example the information discussed during the most recent CCAMLR WG-IMAF meeting held in 2024.