



POPULATION AND CONSERVATION STATUS WORKING GROUP TERMS OF REFERENCE

The ACAP Advisory Committee merged the Status and Trends and Breeding Sites Working Groups into a single working group, the Population and Conservation Status Working Group (PaCSWG), at its Sixth Meeting in August 2011 in Guayaquil, Ecuador and agreed to the following Terms of Reference.

The PaCSWG should provide advice and recommendations to the Advisory Committee. It should also:

- oversee the contribution, collation and maintenance of the most up-to-date information on population size, trends and status, demography, at-sea distribution, management of, and land-based threats to, the breeding sites of albatrosses and petrels listed on Annex 1 of ACAP;
- oversee reviews and analyses of information, and produce assessments of the population and conservation status of listed and candidate ACAP species;
- identify key gaps in knowledge of the population size and conservation status, demography, at-sea distribution, land-based threats and their management for each ACAP species;
- identify populations of ACAP species that are priorities for monitoring, research or conservation actions;
- assess the land-based threats to ACAP species, determine which are priorities for management actions and review the effectiveness of those actions;
- identify internationally important breeding sites for ACAP species; and
- develop, review and maintain best-practice guidelines for population monitoring and management of land-based threats.