Annex 2

Proposed Joint Activities for 2006-07

a) Improve access to electronic full text fisheries and aquatic science publications through promotion of internationally accepted standards, development of local and regional repositories and promotion of Open Access.

b) Investigate the creation and development of an IAMSLIC subject repository and metadata harvester. Develop guidelines to facilitate integration and preservation of fisheries and aquatic science literature from developing countries.

c) Improve coverage of and access to fisheries publications from developing countries in the IAMSLIC Z39.50 distributed library system and development of regional resources sharing mechanisms.

d) Promote collaboration and networking between fisheries and aquatic science libraries by supporting current IAMSLIC regional groups and encouraging the development of an Asian regional group of IAMSLIC.

e) Improve coverage of and access to the metadata of fisheries and aquatic science publications from developing countries through increased coverage in the Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Abstracts (ASFA) database. Improve linkages from ASFA to full text Open Access resources with a priority given to FAO fisheries documents.

f) Provide expert user feedback from IAMSLIC to the FAO ASFA Secretariat regarding the database and user requirements.

g) Review status of joint activities and produce draft outline of activities for 2008-2009 biennium.