Angel Shark Conservation Network

Terms & Conditions for membership of non-governing entities

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These Terms and Conditions ("**T&Cs**") shall govern the Angel Shark Conservation Network ("**ASCN**") membership for non-governing entities. The ASCN Coordinator reserves the right to amend, edit, modify, alter, change and update the T&Cs from time to time. As at the date of these T&Cs the ASCN Coordinator is ZSL.

1. Definitions

1.1. In these T&Cs all defined words and expressions have the meanings given to them in the ASCN Governing Document unless stated otherwise.

2. Background

- 2.1. The Angel Shark Conservation Network ("ASCN") was established in 2016 by the Angel Shark Project (a collaboration between Leibniz Institute for the Analysis of Biodiversity Change, Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria and Zoological Society of London), IUCN SSC Shark Specialist Group, Shark Trust, and Submon to facilitate dialogue and information sharing on angel shark conservation efforts. More information on ASCN can be found using the following URL: www.angelsharknetwork.com.
- 2.2. The ASCN provides a mechanism for developing strategic angel shark conservation planning documents (ie action plans and strategies) at different geographic scales via multidisciplinary workshops. These documents aim to identify the key actions needed to address major threats to angel sharks in each specific region. A list of existing angel shark conservation planning documents can be found at: https://angelsharknetwork.com/#action.
- 2.3. The ASCN actively encourages individuals or organisations to deliver actions outlined in the angel shark conservation planning documents.
- 2.4. As well as the non-governing entities set out in these T&Cs, membership of ASCN also consists of ASCN Partners of which one Partner will act as the ASCN Coordinator. The roles and responsibilities for each are set out in the ASCN Governing Document.

3. ASCN Members

- 3.1. ASCN Members are individuals or organisations which have a defined project or interest, either professional or educational, relating to the conservation or research of angel sharks or have angel shark data to share. There is no financial commitment to being an ASCN Member.
- 3.2. To become an ASCN Member an individual or organisation must apply by emailing angelsharks@zsl.org with the following information:
 - a. Name and email address
 - b. Organisation they work / volunteer at (if applicable)
 - c. Detail on their project related to angel sharks, including title, aims, timeline and expected outputs (if applicable)
 - d. Details on their angel shark expertise (if applicable)

- 3.3. Decisions on new ASCN Members shall be taken by consensus by the ASCN Partners. If consensus cannot be reached, a decision shall be made through a vote; ASCN Members can only be accepted with a majority.
- 3.4. By becoming an ASCN Member, you will:
 - a. receive ASCN e-Bulletins:
 - b. have your logo featured on the ASCN website;
 - c. be connected with the ASCN Partners and other ASCN Members via a Private ASCN Facebook Group to ask questions, share results and foster collaborations;
 - d. be featured in ASCN e-Bulletins and International Angel Shark Day content;
 - e. receive ASSM data on request to the ASCN Coordinator subject to conditions outlined in the ASSM Terms of Use; and
 - f. can request letters of support from the ASCN for funding applications.
- 3.5. The ASCN Members responsibilities for the ASCN are to:
 - a. raise awareness of the ASCN in Communications, with their contacts, networks, at conferences and on social media;
 - b. help to deliver conservation actions, including those in the angel shark Conservation Planning documents where applicable;
 - c. contact the ASCN Partners with results of conservation or research to update the ASCN website or promote on ASCN e-Bulletins;
 - d. help organise or collaborate with International Angel Shark Day; and
 - e. agree to be part of and contribute to a communication forum.
- 3.6. The ASCN Members responsibilities for the ASSM are to:
 - a. agree to submit all Opportunistic Sightings to the ASSM;
 - b. agree to submit all Research Observations to the ASSM following publication of an Output, no later than 12 months after publication;
 - c. agree to the ASSM Terms of Use.

4. **ASCN Subscribers**

- 4.1. ASCN Subscribers are individuals or organisations that have an interest in conservation or research of angel sharks and have subscribed to receive e-Bulletins. ASCN Subscribers have no roles or responsibilities as part of the ASCN.
- 4.2. To become an ASCN Subscriber an organisation or individual must subscribe to e-Bulletins on the ASCN website or through the ASCN Coordinator's promotional materials.
- 4.3. ASCN Subscribers do not have any responsibilities to ASSM.

5. ASSM Collaborator

5.1. ASSM Collaborators are individuals or organisations with a defined project that specifies a particular purpose to use ASSM data for non-profit purposes. ASSM Collaborators can be an

- individual or organisation who will use ASSM data for research or conservation but does not want to become as ASCN Member.
- 5.2. To become an ASSM Collaborator an individual or organisation must apply by emailing angelsharks@zsl.org with the following information:
 - a. Name and email address
 - b. Organisation they work / volunteer at (if applicable)
 - c. Detail on their project related to angel sharks, including title, aims, timeline and expected outputs (if applicable)
- 5.3. Decisions on new ASSM Collaborators shall be taken by consensus by the ASCN Partners. If consensus cannot be reached, a decision shall be made through a vote; ASSM Collaborators can only be accepted with a majority.
- 5.4. The ASSM Collaborators responsibilities for the ASCN are to:
 - a. agree to the ASSM Terms of Use;
 - b. mention the ASCN and ASSM in any output produced using ASSM data; and
 - c. agree to provide the ASCN with a copy of the output produced using ASSM data.
- 5.5. The ASSM Collaborators responsibilities for the ASSM are to:
 - a. agree to submit all Opportunistic Sightings to the ASSM;
 - b. agree to submit all Research Observations to the ASSM following publication of an Output, no later than 12 months after publication; and
 - c. agree to the ASSM Terms of Use.
- 6. How to stop being part of the ASCN
- 6.1. In order to stop being a part of ASCN, the member must email angelsharks@zsl.org with a brief explanation of why you want to stop being part of the ASCN membership.
- 6.2. If any individual or organisation does not abide by the ASSM Terms of Use they will be notified by the ASCN Coordinator of their breach and will be removed from the ASCN membership with immediate effect.