

REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT OF SHARKS

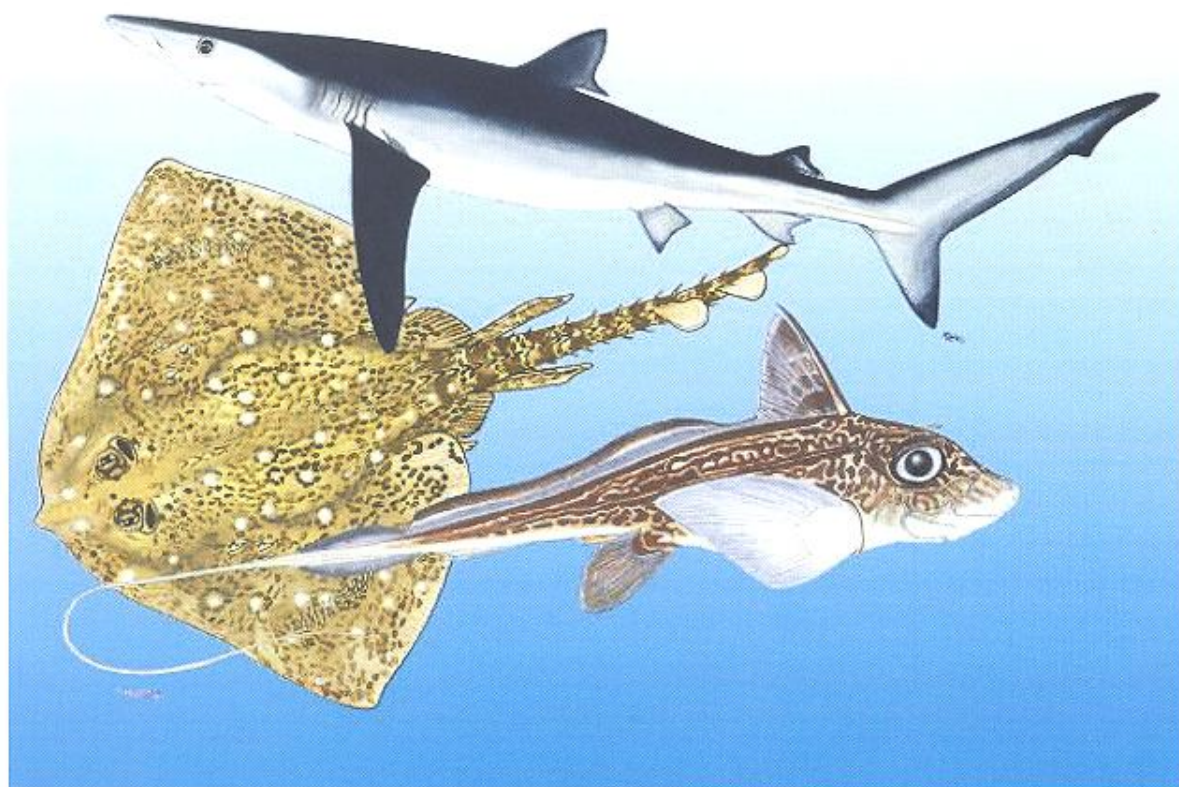


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