



**MEDITERRANEAN COAST GUARD FUNCTIONS FORUM
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**Panel 3 – Next generation EU: Focus on fisheries
activities**

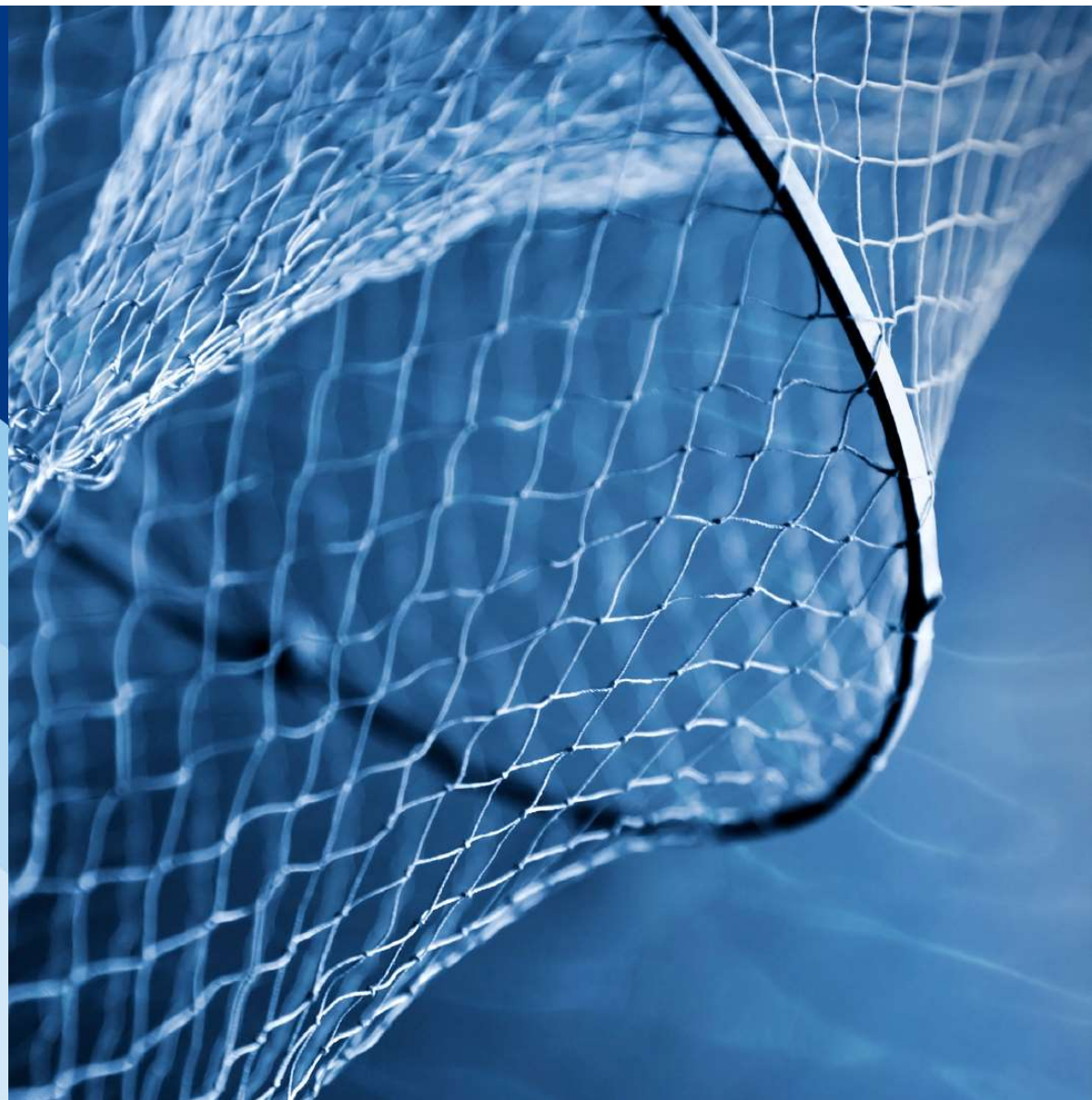
*The European initiative in shaping an effective regional
fisheries policy and cooperation based on inspections
and control*

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General objectives

Our Mission is to promote the highest common standards for control, inspection and surveillance under the CFP.

EFGA's work contributes to:

Sustainability

Level Playing Field



Compliance



Harmonisation



Cost-efficiency

We function at the highest level of excellence and transparency with a view to developing the necessary confidence and cooperation of all parties involved and in so doing, to ensure effectiveness and efficiency of operations



Mediterranean Sea Fisheries

- ❖ Fisheries conservation in the Mediterranean Sea is high in the EU agenda
- ❖ Ensure the implementation of the management rules adopted at International, EU and national level is basic for the sustainability of fisheries activities
- ❖ EFCA supports the EU in the Mediterranean basin through different activities: JDPs, Assistance, pilot projects, support in relation with Third Countries



Food and Agriculture
Organization of the
United Nations



General Fisheries Commission
for the Mediterranean
Commission générale des pêches
pour la Méditerranée



EFCA activities in the Mediterranean Sea



Joint Deployment Plan

Pooling of resources of EU Member States and EFCA for fisheries control campaigns

Risk assessment and control targets

Sharing of information: VMS, ERS, Inspection reports...

Support to the EU at international level

Active support at CGPM and ICCAT

Specific tasks: Communication, control activities

Cooperation and Pilot Projects with Third Countries

Capacity Building

Training for EU inspectors

Training for Third Countries inspectors

Specific projects

Mediterranean Joint Deployment Plan

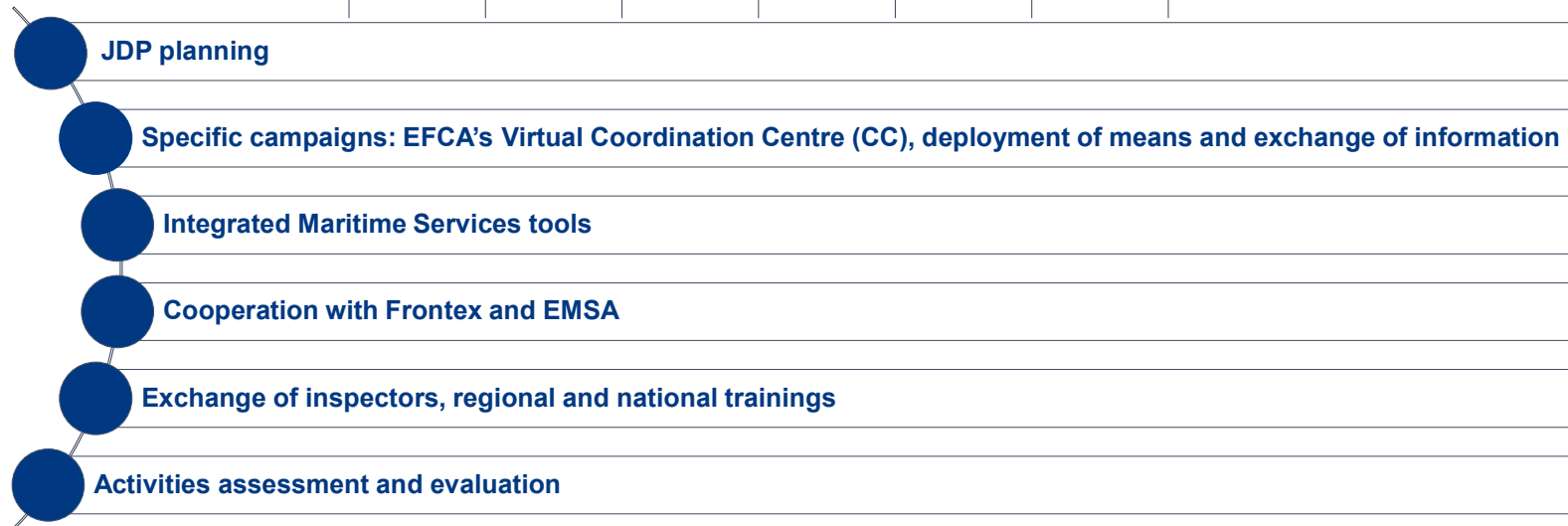


JDP	Inspections		Inspections with at least one suspected infringement	
	2020	2021*	2020	2021
Baltic Sea	3 421	3 886	62	94
North Sea	6 912	2 271	111	145
Western Waters	3 700	4 573	290	253
NAFO & NEAFC	43	113	5	10
Mediterranean Sea	22 472	40 836	1 188	3 500
Black Sea	1 904	1 888	26	28
TOTAL	38 452	53 567	1 682	4 031

*2021 data available on 2 February 2022. Additional data may be received later from Member States. 2020 data as reported in the 2020 Annual Report.

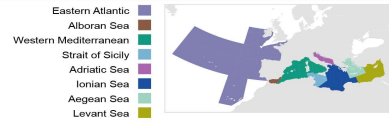
Mediterranean Joint Deployment Plan

						
MSC1 Mediterranean Swordfish	MSC2 Strait of Sicily	MSC3 Bluefin tuna	MSC4 Adriatic Sea	MSC5 Gulf of Lion	MSC6 Eastern MED	MSC7 Spatial Closures



Mediterranean Joint Deployment Plan Risk assessment

Mediterranean Sea and Eastern Atlantic* Risk of non-compliance



Gear/Fishery	Area	Main target species	Microreporting and/or misrecording	Non-compliance with quota or bycatch limit	Non-compliance with temporal/spatial closures	Non-compliance with minimum size of BFT/SWO	Non-compliance with general technical and management rules	Non-compliance with the LO
Bottom trawls	Strait of Sicily	Deep-sea rose shrimp, hake	High	Low	Low	High	High	High
	Ionian Sea	Deep-sea rose shrimp, blue and red shrimp	High	Low	Low	High	High	High
	Aegean Sea	Deep-sea rose shrimp, hake, mullus spp.	High	Low	Low	High	High	High
	Western Med	Deep-sea rose shrimp, hake, mullus spp.	High	High	High	High	High	High
	Adriatic	Deep-sea rose shrimp, hake, mullus spp., Norway lobster	High	Low	Low	High	High	High
	Levant Sea	Deep-sea rose shrimp, hake, mullus spp.	High	Low	Low	High	High	High
	Midwater trawls and pair trawls	Mediterranean Sea without Adriatic Sea	Anchovy, sardine	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
	Adriatic Sea	Anchovy, sardine	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
Midwater trawls and pair trawls	Eastern Atlantic	Bluefin tuna	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
Purse seine	Mediterranean Sea without Adriatic Sea	Anchovy, sardine	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	High
	Adriatic Sea	Anchovy, sardine	High	High	Low	Low	Low	High
Purse seine (Catching vessels)	Mediterranean Sea	Bluefin tuna	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	High
Purse seine (Farms)	Mediterranean Sea	Bluefin tuna	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	High
Purse seine (Auxiliary vessels)	Mediterranean Sea	Bluefin tuna	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	High
Purse seine (towing vessels)	Mediterranean Sea	Bluefin tuna	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	High
Bottom Long Lines, hand-liners	Alboran Sea	Seabream	High	Low	Low	Low	High	Low
	Mediterranean without Alboran Sea	Hake, red seabream	High	Low	Low	Low	High	Low
Long Lines, hand-liners, trolling boats, bait boats	Mediterranean Sea	Mediterranean albacore, bluefin tuna, Mediterranean swordfish	High	High	High	High	High	Low

* Covers only bluefin tuna

Level of risk: ■ Low ■ Medium ■ High ■ Very High

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Longliners and Bait boats	Eastern Atlantic	Bluefin tuna	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
Trammel nets and gill nets	Western Mediterranean	Hake, mullus spp., seabreams, sole	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
	Adriatic	Hake, mullus spp., seabreams, sole	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
	Strait of Sicily, Ionian Sea, Aegean Sea and Levant Sea	Hake, mullus spp., seabreams	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
Fixed traps	Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean Sea	Bluefin tuna	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
Pots and traps	Mediterranean Sea	Various crustaceans	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
Mechanised dredges	Mediterranean Sea	Various bivalves	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
Sport and Recreational fishery	Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean Sea	Mediterranean albacore, bluefin tuna, Mediterranean swordfish	High	Low	High	Low	High	High
All gears	Mediterranean Sea	Eel	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
Surrounding net without purse line	Mediterranean Sea	Dolphinfish	Low	Low	Low	Low	High	Low
Divers	Mediterranean Sea	Red coral	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	High

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Support to EU at international level

Support to the EU Delegation in work of ICCAT/GFCM:

- Participation in plenary meetings
- Participation in Committees/WGs on control issues
- Technical support for preparation of proposals

EFCA implements the EU contribution to the International Control schemes of ICCAT and GFCM through JDPs in cooperation with EU MSs, including agreement of common control measures and deployment of EFCA chartered means

- Common/level playing field
- Exchange and training of inspectors
- Capacity building
- Implementation of pilot projects
- Control expertise on new control measures



EFCA Capacity building

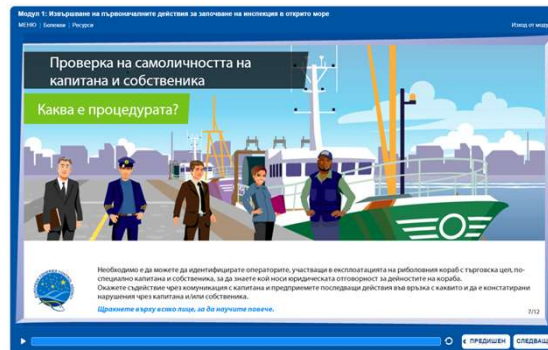
- Development of training on MCS activities: training sessions + e-learning platform



- Improve the **efficiency of inspection** and facilitate the **exchange of best practices**
- Harmonise **inspection methodologies**
- Establish a level playing field where all operators are treated **equally** without discrimination

EFCA e-learning platform

Figures 2021 Mediterranean	
Number of training events	21
MS training events organised with EFCA support	7
Member States officials trained	528
Third Country officials trained	18
Registered active users in EFCA platform	1374



EU Cooperation on Coast Guard

- Support to fisheries control and other national authorities working in the field of Coast Guard functions: Chartering of means, joint project with other EU agencies; technologies for surveillance

Five Coast Guard Cooperation Areas



Sharing of information
EFCA Integrated Maritime Services
Sightings / observations



Surveillance and Communication services
Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems
Piloted Fixed Wing Aircraft
Copernicus Maritime Services



Capacity Building and Training
Coast Guard Practical Handbook
Cross-sector training and capacity building



Cooperation on risk analysis
Cross-sector risk analysis
Risk Analysis products



Capacity Sharing
Multipurpose Maritime Operations
Operational briefings
Sharing of airborne and seaborne capacity
Exercises

EFCA operational capacity

is available for **Multipurpose Operations in cooperation with FRONTEX, EMSA and Member States** relevant authorities in its support to coast guard functions

Primary

Fisheries inspection and control

Support role

- Search and rescue
- Border Control and Customs control
- Law enforcement
- Maritime environmental protection and response
- Maritime monitoring and surveillance
- Maritime safety
- Maritime accident and disaster response



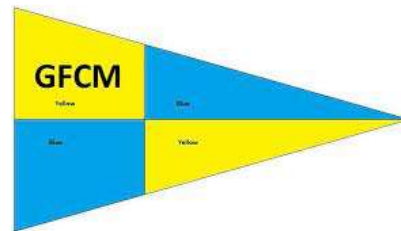
EU and High Seas Inspection Scheme

During JDPs, EU Union inspectors may carry out inspections in Union waters, and on Union fishing vessels outside Union waters.

Concept for Other Coast Guard Functions



INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF ATLANTIC TUNA		AT		ICCAT	
Inspector Identity Card		The holder of this document is an ICCAT inspector duly appointed under the terms of the Scheme of Joint International Inspections and Surveillance of the International Commission for the Conservation of the Atlantic Tuna and has the authority to act under the provision of the ICCAT Control and Enforcement scheme.			
Contracting Party:	Inspector Name:	ICCAT Executive Secretary		Inspector	
Photograph	Card n°:	Issuing Authority			
Issue Date:	Valid five years				



Following international law, GFCM and ICCAT have international joint inspection and surveillance scheme applicable in international waters that permit inspections from one CPC on vessels on other CPC:

- Protocols for boardings
- Rules of procedure
- Common pennants, inspection reports and ID cards
- Follow up obligations for flag states
- Procedures for dealing with non-compliance

International Cooperation initiatives: Joint Control activities during 2022

EFCA, in cooperation with the Member States is supporting this year the implementation of GFCM pilot projects with Tunisia, Albania y Montenegro in the Strait of Sicily and the Adriatic Sea



European Fisheries Control Agency @EFCA_EU · Sep 22
Our patrol vessel #LundySentinel concluded an #international mission in the context of the @UN_FAO_GFCM pilot projects.

A team of inspectors from Croatia 🇨🇷, Italy 🇮🇹, Albania 🇦🇱 & Montenegro 🇲🇪 joined efforts to enhance #FisheriesControl in the #Adriatic Sea.

#CFP #WeAssist



EU Maritime & Fish and 9 others



European Fisheries Control Agency @EFCA_EU · Aug 29
Another mission accomplished by our chartered vessel #LundySentinel

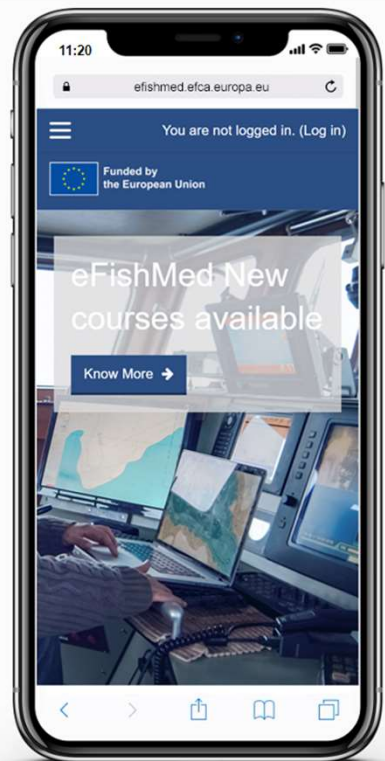
It has been operating in the Central #Mediterranean to assist #fisheriescontrol activities within the @UN_FAO_GFCM Dolphinfish Pilot Project with Italian 🇮🇹, Maltese 🇲🇹 & Tunisian 🇹🇳 inspectors.

#WeAssist



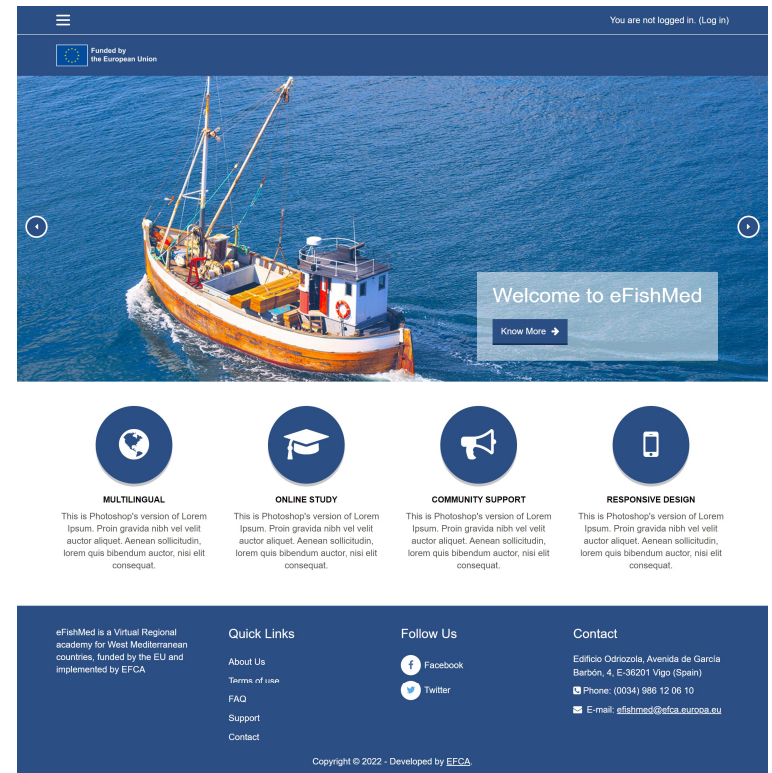
Results:
Effective cooperation
Transparency
Level playing field
Capacity building

International Cooperation initiatives: Capacity building



E-fishmed:

to improve national and regional MCS systems of Beneficiary Countries by setting-up a virtual regional training academy to support enhanced capacities, knowledge, skills and competences in fisheries control and inspection and the fight against IUU fishing.





CONCLUSIONS

EFCA, in cooperation with the Commission and the EU Member States, is promoting the international cooperation on fisheries control in the Mediterranean Sea, through:

- the implementation of joint control activities involving EU and non-EU inspectors, and
- the implementation of capacity building projects as the e-fish Med project.



CONCLUSIONS

The good results of the cooperation until now make indispensable to:

- extend the scope of the International Inspection programmes to new fisheries/areas,
- increase the cooperation between the countries in fisheries control
- to continue providing assistance in capacity building projects.

EFCA is ready to assist and continue its involvement and contribution to this goal.





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