



Draft Multiannual Work Programme 2013-2017 and Annual Work Programme 2013

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List of acronyms

AIS	Automatic Identification Systems
ABMS	Activity Based Management System
AWP	Annual Work Programme
BFT	Bluefin Tuna
СА	Conventional Area
СС	Core Curriculum
CCIC	Coordination Centre in Charge
CFP	Common Fisheries Policy
EFCA	European Fisheries Control Agency
CISE	Common Information Sharing Environment
ECA	European Court of Auditors
EDMS	Electronic Documentation Management System
EIR	Electronic Inspection Report
ERS	Electronic Reporting System
HR	Human Resources
IAS	Internal Audit Service
ICCAT	International Commission for the Conservation of the Atlantic Tuna
ICES	International Council for the Exploration of the Sea
ICT	Information and Communication Technologies
ILO	International Labour Organisation
IMP	Integrated Maritime Policy
IUU	Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated fishing
JDP	Joint Deployment Plan
JISS	Joint Inspection and Surveillance Scheme
MCS	Monitoring, Control and Surveillance
MS	Member State(s)
MSY	Maximum Sustainable Yield
MWP	Multiannual Work Programme
NAFO	Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation
NAFO CEM	NAFO Control and Enforcement Measures
NEAFC	Northeast Atlantic Fisheries Commission
NGO	Non Governmental Organisation
PMC	Project Management Code
RA	Regulatory Area
RAC	Regional Advisory Council
RFMO	Regional Fisheries Management Organisation

Specific Control and Inspection Programme
Standing Committee on Research and Statistics
Steering Group
Technical Joint Deployment Group
Vessel Monitoring System

ICT projects definitions

Core Curricula Development Platform (CCDP). This online application supports the collaboration of experts, Member States (MS), the Commission and EFCA for the development of Core Curricula (CC) training materials. Authorised users are able to exchange, to track comments of the different versions of the documents, and to manage meetings, discussion groups, calendar, news, or announcements.

EFCA Corporate systems: include EFCA website, intranet, extranet (eg Administrative Board Site) and any application developed internally in support to internal EFCA activities.

EFCA Electronic Reporting System (EFCA ERS). This system will allow EFCA to receive and parse ERS messages, exchange them with the stakeholders involved in JDP operations (CCIC), ensure data quality, integrity and reliability through validation operations, and to provide the user with a set of tools, accessible through a web user interface, to view, search, analyze and produce statistics and reports based on specific criteria.

EFCA Electronic Inspection Report (EFCA EIR). This system will allow EFCA to receive and parse EIR messages, exchange them with the stakeholders involved in JDP operations (CCIC), ensure data quality, integrity and reliability through validation operations, and to provide the user with a set of tools, accessible through a web user interface, to view, search, analyze and produce statistics and reports based on specific criteria.

EFCA E-Learning: After their approval by MS the Core Curricula training modules will be published and made available on this distance learning platform.

EFCA Vessel Monitoring System (EFCA VMS). This system allows EFCA to receive and to exchange VMS data (identity, position and speed of fishing vessels larger than 12 m) to support JDP operations, hence providing a global EU picture within the geographical areas covered by the relevant SCIPs.

FISHNET is a single sign on secured portal to allow access of most of EFCA applications (ERS, VMS, EIR, DMS, CCDP, E-training, JADE) and to provide EFCA stakeholders with collaboration tools (eg. sharing data and documents, exchange information, teleconferencing). This system is designed to support decision making, planning, operational coordination, and assessment of joint control operations, and to promote remote collaboration in support to EFCA activities.

JADE is a web application internally used by the EFCA coordinators to record, manage and report activity on JDPs. JADE stands for Joint deployment plan Activity Data basE

Maritime Surveillance Information Systems: Information systems developed in cooperation with external stakeholders to integrate available information sources and data sets within the framework of Integrated Maritime Policy, interagency cooperation and the CISE (Common Information Sharing Environment).

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Background

The EFCA intends to adopt annually the necessary amendments to its Multiannual Work Programme (MWP) to permit having at all times a document expressing the up-to-date objectives and priorities of a rolling 5-year planning period.

The MWP 2013-2017 does not only focus on major projects the Agency is planning for 2013 but also provides a more general overview of the activities programmed on a multiannual basis in order to fulfil the mandate assigned to the Agency.

In line with the **recommendations issued by the Administrative Board following the 5 year external independent evaluation of the European Fisheries Control Agency¹ (Annex 3)** and the available resources, the Agency has identified a number of priorities in its current MWP (2013-2017).

The Agency will implement the activities listed in its AWP in close cooperation with the Commission and the Member States concerned. Upon request from the Commission, other or specific operational activities not listed in the AWP will be considered by the Administrative Board, taking into account the availability of financial and human resources for their implementation.

1. EFCA MWP 2013-2017 and AWP 2013 proposed priorities

1.1 Multiannual positive priorities

Considering the overarching objectives of compliance and level playing field, the Member States and the European Commission expectations, the legal framework governing the EFCA activities and the resources available, the Agency will concentrate on the core tasks as follows in 2013 -2017:

1.1.1. Operational activities: succeed in implementing the evolution towards regional, multispecies and continuous² Joint Deployment Plans in force and coordination of control activities of Black Sea Member States. The process will require improving regional risk management and develop a method³ for assessment of cost

¹ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation, 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

² Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.2.1), 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

³ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendations, 2.5.1, 2.5.3 and 2.5.4), 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

effectiveness and impact of control activities, within the framework of the new SCIP model currently developed by the Commission and discussed with the Member States, and further declined by the future Regional multispecies SCIPs

The Agency will also examine periodically at which level EFCA involvement in the JDPs provides the best added value, in accordance with the existing legal basis⁴.

1.1.2. Capacity Building⁵:

- **Training:** Core Curricula development and maintenance⁶, following a clear overarching road map⁷ in particular for the remaining course areas, including the training of trainers, the integration of IUU best practice gained during visits to Third countries, and regional training.
- Support of the Member States, of the European Commission and horizontal support of the agency activities:
- (a) Development and enhancement of ICT projects (ERS, FISHNET, EIR, JADE, CCDP and E-learning training platforms) for providing the best collaborative tools to the Members States and fostering interoperability and common information availability. Development of corporate ICT support systems for EFCA, (EDMS, website, intranet, in-house communication platform), maintenance and update of present ICT systems including the EFCA-VMS, and improvement of EFCA operation room facilities;
- (b) Common fisheries Policy (CFP) reform: reflections on the definition of procedures and systems for monitoring a possible discard ban;
- (c) Maritime surveillance and new technologies based on the evaluation of pilot project (i.e. Bluefin tuna campaign 2012) and possible new developments;
- (d) Acquisition of means for the Member States.
 - 1.1.3. **Cooperation with third Countries on Commission request:** operational cooperation with Third countries may be envisaged, in particular:
- Norway (and maybe Faeroes and Iceland) in the North Sea, and Pelagic Western Waters JDPs;
- Russia in the Baltic Sea and NAFO-NEAFC
- Canada and USA
- Mediterranean third countries (inter alia, countries in acceding process, Turkey and maybe Libya and Morocco).

⁴ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.2.3), 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

⁵ The capacity building process goes beyond Unit B (Capacity Building) *sensu stricto* remit and resources and involves Unit C and Unit A as well.

⁶ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.3.3), 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

⁷ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.3.1), 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

2.1 Multiannual negative priorities

These objectives will require prioritizing and accepting negative priorities:

- A transitional period of 4 years in order to rise the capacity building process at the same level of excellence that the operational coordination activities in order to deliver the data management systems and *the core curricula* in time;
- Negative priorities acceptation for this transitional period: inter alia some of the following activities could fall under this approach lesser degree of involvement in NAFO/NEAFC areas but also where the MS joint cooperation is highly efficient, IUU kept at a very basic level, postponement of some new tasks provided within the Council Control Regulation (e.g. emergency units);

2. Mission Statement and Activities

The Agency's mission is to promote the highest common standards for control, inspection and surveillance under the CFP.

In this regard, level playing field, coordination and assistance for better compliance **are considered** wider objectives of the Agency⁸.

In accordance with its founding regulation, the MWP is presented according to the ABMS⁹. To this end, the Agency is implementing an ABMS refining its multiannual planning, monitoring and reporting.

The Agency will promote the assessment of the effectiveness of its core activities on the basis of performance and impact criteria and benchmarks. In order to comply with these standards, the work programme is project oriented and a new codification called "Project Management Code" (PMC) is introduced.

3. Multiannual financial perspectives for operational activities (€)

3.1 Multiannual financial perspectives

The financial perspectives of the operational budget of the agency are shown in the table below:

Operational expenditure	2012	2013	2014-2017
Capacity Building	724 000	804 000	To be defined
Operational Coordination	1 006 000	1 086 000	To be defined
Acquisition of Means	p.m.	p.m.	To be defined
Total	1 730 000	1 890 000	To be defined

⁸ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 1.1.2), 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

⁹ The Agency accomplishes its mission through its two operational activities, *Operational coordination and Capacity Building* and one functional activity, *Governance and Representation*, which is inherent to its operation as an independent EU body.

3.2 Draft budget 2013

In its final decision on the Budget 2012, the Budgetary Authority reduced by 1% the budget of the Agency (as for all regulatory Agencies).

Furthermore, in its 2013 Budget Circular in December 2011, DG BUDG proposed freezing the budget of « cruising speed » agencies at the nominal level of the 2012 appropriations. This means that our activities proposed in 2013 are pitched at net 6% less than the financial programming highlighted in the table.

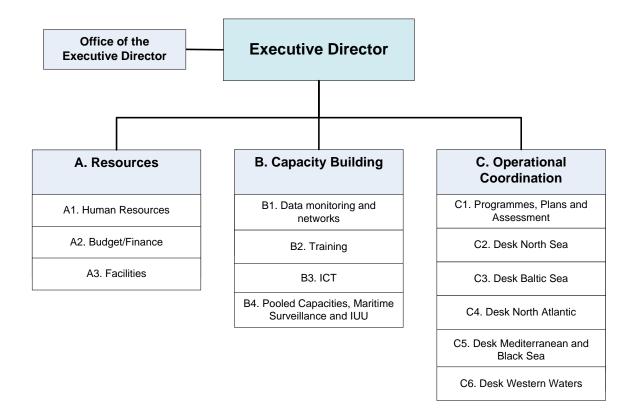
In order to stay in line with the instructions in the Budget Circular, the Agency proposes to make savings, in particular where expenditure in 2011 has not been as high as expected. By doing this it hopes to avoid compromising the continuity of the priority activities of the agency. The amount proposed in the budget for operational activities is \in 1,712,541, as shown in the table below.

Operational Budget EFCA					
Operational expenditure	2011	2012	DB 2013		
Capacity Building	644 000	716,601	937,541		
Operational Coordination	926 000	995,940	775,000		
Acquisition of Means	4 000 000	p.m.	p.m.		
Total Budget	5 570 000	1,712,541	1,712,541		

Operational Budget EFCA

4. EFCA organizational Chart

EFCA Organizational chart (sector level) of 03/2013



5. EFCA comitology (steering and working groups)

5.1 Operational coordination

In organising operational cooperation between Member States through the adoption of JDPs¹⁰, and for the purpose of operational coordination of joint control, inspection and surveillance activities by Member States, the Agency has established two joint working groups for the elaboration and implementation of each JDP in accordance with its founding regulation:

- Steering Group

The Steering Group (SG) is composed of representatives designated by the Member States concerned and the Commission, and it is chaired by the Agency. The SG is responsible for the overall coordination, and ensures the real functioning of the JDP, in accordance with the SCIP decision, in its three phases:

- Planning of activities, based in risk management
- Implementation of the activities, ensuring that the Member States commitments are fulfilled and applied properly
- Assessment of the effectiveness of the JDP, through a common system of reporting and evaluation

The SG manages the implementation of the JDP and works with the principles of transparency and consensus. All questions regarding the practical implementation of the JDP shall be discussed in this forum.

- <u>Technical Joint Deployment Group</u>

The Technical Joint Deployment Group (TJDG) is composed of national coordinators assisted by the Agency coordinators, for the purpose of putting into practice the operational planning and execution of the joint deployment of pooled means of control, inspection and surveillance, as agreed in the JDP. It ensures that the operational coordination between the Member States works. It is chaired by a representative of one of the Member States concerned.

The TJDG is responsible to ensure the reception and transmission of all the operational information, to prepare the tactical recommendations to the control and inspection means in the JDP areas and to report to the SG the result of the joint control activities.

5.2 Training

A Steering Group and a Working group involving the Member States and the Commission will provide guidance and technical expertise on training and exchange of experience focusing on the development of the core curricula project.

¹⁰ See Article 9 and 10 of Council Regulation 768/2005.

5.3 Data monitoring and networks

A working group will continue to steer the Agency's data monitoring and networks and will facilitate cooperation between the Agency, the Member States and the Commission and the sharing of best practices in the field of data exchange. This working group will be permitted to merge with DG Mare identical fora for cost effectiveness. Based on identified common challenges faced by groups of Member States, the Agency will coordinate projects with the aim to jointly develop solutions to be used by the relevant Member States in particular in the field of control and inspection activities.

6. ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME 2013

The proposed activities for 2013 are set out in the form of activity fiches including a comprehensive description of the different tasks, deliverables and estimated costs, following the outline of the MWP 2013-2017. Each fiche shows the activity code under the ABMS, as well as the corresponding budget allocation to the activity (see table below with the activity codes). The Draft AWP 2013 contains the following amendments regarding the AWP 2012:

- IUU will be integrated under maritime surveillance and pooled capacities
- ICT will be integrated under Capacity Building

6.1 Activities Based Management System (ABMS)

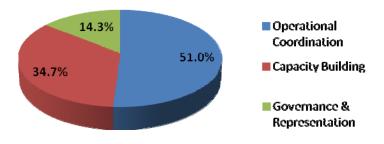
In accordance with the ABMS of the Agency, two operational activities (operational coordination and capacity building) and one functional activity (Governance and Representation) have been defined. The additional financial and human resources available for 2013 are allocated to both operational activities.

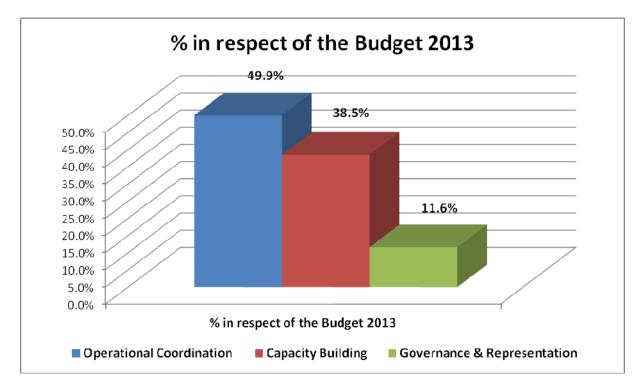
ACTIVITY	ABMS Code
Operational Coordination	1
North Sea and adjacent areas	1.1
Baltic Sea	1.2
NAFO& NEAFC	1.3
Mediterranean and Black Sea	1.4
Western Waters	1.6
Capacity Building	2
Data Monitoring and Networks	2.1
Training	2.2
Maritime Surveillance, Pooled Capacities and IUU	2.3 ¹¹
Governance and Representation	3

¹¹ It includes the European Union System to fight IUU fishing (ABMS Code 1.5 in the AWP 2012).

% of dedication of staff by Activity 2013

% of dedication of staff





TABLES – FIGURES

ABB	Operational Coordination	Capacity Building	Governance & Representation	TOTAL
% in respect of the				
Budget 2013	49.9%	38.5%	11.6%	100%

Budget 2013 (million				
€)	4.60	3.55	1.07	9.22

More information regarding the allocation of the Budget 2013 by sub-activity, as well as the budget evolution, is provided in the details included in every fiche of the Annual Work Programme 2013.

6.2 **Project management codes (PMC)**

Besides, for promoting the assessment of the effectiveness of the core activities on the basis of performance and impact criteria and benchmarks a new project oriented framework will be progressively introduced to be operable in 2013 (see example below in annex 2: Example of project Management Coded Template).

ACTIVITY FICHES WP 2013

Operational Coordination ¹²		ABMS Code 1			
ACTIVITY					
North Sea and adjacent areas			Operational Coordination		
	CODE		RESOURCES		
Staff	Unit C		1 AD, 2AST		
Standard Budget	BL - 3100		€150.000 ¹³		
ABMS Legal basis	Code 1.1		€ 930,267		
 Art. 4(1),5(2),5(3) of Council Regulation (EC) No 768/2005 of 26 April 2005 establishing a Community Fisheries Control Agency and amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy¹⁴. Council Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008 of 18 December 2008 establishing a long-term plan for cod stocks and the fisheries exploiting those stocks and repealing Regulation (EC) No 423/2004¹⁵. Commission Decision 2008/620/EC of 22 July 2008 establishing a specific control and inspection programme related to the cod stocks in the Kattegat, the North Sea, the Skagerrak, the eastern Channel, the waters west of Scotland and the Irish Sea¹⁶. Objectives Uniform and effective application of CFP rules in the North Sea and adjacent areas, -Specific objectives will be formulated together with the Steering Group taking into account 					
conclusions of the assessment of a Tasks					
Adoption JDP for 2013 and 2014 ¹⁷					
Meetings of the Steering Group an	d Technical	Joint Deployme	nt Group		
Execution of Joint Campaigns					
Workshops for inspectors and MS	coordinatior	n experts (CCIC)	18		
Workshops on the sea basin regional approach and possible new provisions adopted by the CFP reform					
JDP Risk management					
JDP Assessment					
Upon request of the Commission assistance in relations with Third countries (Norway, Faroe Islands)					
Communication					
¹² Please note that the performance indica ¹³ Contribution to TITLE III, Commission G	tors for operat	ional coordination a	re listed in Annex1.		

OJ L 128, 21.5.2005, p.1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 (OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p.1).

¹⁵ OJ L 348, 24.12.2008, p. 20. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 (OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p.1).

¹⁶ OJ L 198, 26.7.2008, p. 66, Decision as last amended by Decision 2012/264/EU (OJ L 131, 22.5.2012, p. 6); applicable until 22 July 2013. ¹⁷ Subject to the adoption by the Commission of a Specific Control and Inspection Programme

¹⁸ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.3.4), 15 March 2012 (http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm).

Deliverables

JDP for 2013 and 2014

Minutes of the Steering Group and Technical Joint Deployment Group

Joint campaign reports

1 Workshop for inspectors

1 Workshop for MS coordination experts (CCIC)

2 Workshops on the sea basin regional approach

Strategic plan of Joint campaigns based on risk management

Annual report on assessment of effectiveness of JDP, including results of analysis of the existence of non-compliance risk

Report of results of assistance in relation with Third Countries (Norway, Faroe Islands)

Communication of JDP results on the Agency web site

ACTIVITY		
Baltic Sea	Operational Expenditure	
	CODE	RESOURCES
Staff	Unit C	0.5AD ¹⁹ , 3 AST
Standard Budget	BL - B03110	€150.000 ²⁰
ABMS	Code 1.2	€ 962,213

Legal basis

Art. 4(1), 5(2), 5(3) of Council Regulation (EC) No 768/2005 of 26 April 2005 establishing a Community Fisheries Control Agency and amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy²¹.

Council Regulation (EC) No 1098/2007 of 18 September 2007 establishing a multi-annual plan for the cod stocks in the Baltic Sea and the fisheries exploiting those stocks, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 779/97²².

Commission Decision (2008/589/EC) of 12 June 2008 establishing a specific control and inspection programme related to the salmon and cod stocks in the Baltic Sea²³.

Objectives

Uniform and effective application of CFP rules in the Baltic Sea

Specific objectives will be formulated together with the Steering Group taking into account conclusions of the assessment of activities carried out in 2012 and results of risk analysis

Tasks

Adoption JDP for 2013 and 2014²⁴

Meetings of the Steering Group and Technical Joint Deployment Group

¹⁹ 1 AD temporarily part-time transferred to Pelagic JDP Western Waters.

²⁰ Contribution to TITLE III, Commission General Budget 11.080502.

 ²¹ OJ L 128, 21.5.2005, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 (OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p.1.
 ²² OJ L 248, 22.9.2007, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 (OJ L 343,

 ²² OJ L 248, 22.9.2007, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 (OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p.1).
 ²³ OJ L 190, 18.7.2008, p. 11; Decision as last amended by Decision 2012/262/EU (OJ L 130, 17.5.2012, p. 22);

²³ OJ L 190, 18.7.2008, p. 11; Decision as last amended by Decision 2012/262/EU (OJ L 130, 17.5.2012, p. 22); applicable until 12 June 2013.

²⁴ Subject to the adoption by the Commission of a Specific Control and Inspection Programme.

Execution of Joint Campaigns

Workshops for inspectors and MS coordination experts (CCIC)²⁵

Workshops on the sea basin regional approach and possible new provisions adopted by the CFP reform

JDP Risk management

JDP Assessment

Upon request of the Commission assistance in relations with Third countries (Russia)

Communication

Deliverables

JDP for 2013 and 2014

Minutes of the Steering Group and Technical Joint Deployment Group

Joint campaign reports

1 Workshop for inspectors

1 Workshop for MS coordination experts (CCIC)

2 Workshops on the sea basin regional approach delivered

Strategic plan of Joint campaigns based on risk management

Annual report on assessment of effectiveness of JDP, including results of analysis of the existence of non-compliance risks

Report of results of assistance in relation with Third Countries (Russia)

Communication of JDP results on the Agency web site

ACTIVITY			
NAFO and NEAFC			Operational Expenditure
	CODE		RESOURCES
Staff	Unit C		1 AD, 3 AST
Standard Budget	BL – B03120		€175.000 ²⁶
ABMS		Code 1.3	€ 1,107,985
Legal basis			

Art. 4.1,5 (2) of Council Regulation (EC) No 768/2005 of 26 April 2005 establishing a Community Fisheries Control Agency and amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy.

Council Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007 of 22 October 2007 laying down conservation and enforcement measures applicable in the Regulatory Area of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation²⁷.

Regulation (EU) No 1236/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 December 2010 laying down a scheme of control and enforcement applicable in the area covered by the Convention on future multilateral cooperation in the North-East Atlantic fisheries and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 2791/1999²⁸.

²⁵ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.3.4), 15 March 2012 (http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm).

Contribution to TITLE III, Commission General Budget 11.080502.

²⁷ OJ L 318, 5.12.2007, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 679/2009 (OJ L 197, 29.7.2009), p.1. ²⁸ OJ L 348, 31.12.2010, p. 17.

Commission Implementing Regulation No 433/2012 of 23 May 2012 laying down detailed rules for the application of Regulation No1236/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 December 2010 laying down a scheme of control and enforcement applicable in the area covered by the Convention on future multilateral cooperation in the North-East Atlantic fisheries²⁹

Objectives

To coordinate the EU participation in the International Control and Inspection Programmes in NAFO and NEAFC

Specific objectives will be formulated together with the Steering Group considering the results of Assessment of activities 2012 and results of risk analysis

Tasks

Adoption JDP for 2013 and 2014

Meetings of the Steering Group and Technical Joint Deployment Group

Execution of Joint Campaigns

Participation of Agency staff as Union inspectors in international waters

Workshops for NAFO and NEAFC inspectors³⁰

JDP Risk management

JDP Assessment

Assistance to EU Delegation for NAFO and NEAFC international meetings

Upon request of the Commission assistance in relations with Third countries (particularly Canada)

Communication

Deliverables

JDP for 2013 and 2014

Minutes of the Steering Group and Technical Joint Deployment Group

Quarterly reports of control activities

Joint campaign reports

2 workshops for NAFO and NEAFC inspectors

Strategic plan of Joint campaigns based on risk management

Reports of participation of Agency staff assisting the Commission in the relations with International organisation and Third Countries.

Report of results of assistance in relation with Third Countries (particularly Canada)

Annual report on assessment of effectiveness of JDP, including results of analysis of the existence of non-compliance risks

Communication of JDP results on the Agency web site

ACTIVITY

²⁹ OJ L 136, 25.5.2012, p 41.

³⁰ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.3.4), 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

Mediterranean and Black sea		Operational Expenditure
	CODE	RESOURCES
Staff	Unit C	1 AD, 3 AST, 2 SNE
Standard Budget	BL- B03130	€150.000 ³¹
ABMS	Code 1.4	€ 1,076,307

Legal basis

Art. 4.1,5(2),5(3)of Council Regulation (EC) No 768/2005 of 26 April 2005 establishing a Community Fisheries Control Agency and amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy.

Council Regulation (EC) No 302/2009 of 6 April 2009 concerning a multiannual recovery plan for bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean, amending Regulation (EC) No 43/2009 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1559/2007³².

Commission Decision (2011/207/EU) of 29 March 2011 establishing a specific control and inspection programme related to the recovery of bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean³³.

Objectives

Uniform and effective application of CFP rules in the Mediterranean and Black Sea

Specific objectives will be formulated together with the Steering Group taking into account conclusions of the assessment of activities carried out in 2012 and results of risk analysis.

Tasks

Adoption of JDP for 2013

Adoption of Joint Control Work Programme for Black Sea in 2013 Meetings of the Steering Group and Technical Joint Deployment Group

Execution of Joint Campaigns

Workshops for ICCAT and National inspectors³⁴

Participation of Agency staff as Union inspectors in international waters

JDP Risk management

JDP assessment

Assistance to EU Delegation for ICCAT and GFCM international meetings

Upon request of the Commission assistance in relations with Third countries (Turkey, Croatia, Montenegro, Southern Mediterranean countries)

Assistance to the MS and the Commission for the implementation of the video stereo technology pilot project to evaluate catches and number of BFT caged³⁵

Communication

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JDP for 2013

³¹ Contribution to TITLE III, Commission General Budget 11.080502.

³² OJ L 96, 15.04.2009, p. 1.

³³ OJ L 87, 02.04.2011. p.9. Decision as last amended by Decision 2012/246/EU (OJ L 121, 8.5.2012, p. 25); applicable until 15 March 2014.

³⁴ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.3.4), 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

³⁵ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.2.2), 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

Joint Control Work Programme for Black Sea in 2013

Minutes of the Steering Group and reports by Technical Joint Deployment Group

Joint campaign reports

2 regional workshops on disseminating best practices in relation to the ICCAT rules for bluefin tuna and swordfish, and EU rules regarding fisheries in Mediterranean

1 Regional workshop for Black Sea to analyse outcomes of the 2012 turbot campaign and prepare draft national programmes for 2013

Participation in MS national training seminars for ICCAT and national inspectors

Strategic plan of Joint campaigns based on risk management

Joint campaign reports Reports of participation of Agency staff to the meetings organised assisting the Commission in the relations with International organisation (ICCAT, GFCM and Third Countries (Turkey, Croatia and Montenegro and Southern Mediterranean countries)

Annual report on assessment of effectiveness of JDP, including results of analysis of the existence of non-compliance risk

Communication of JDP results on the Agency web site

ACTIVITY		
Western Waters		Operational Coordination
	CODE	RESOURCES
Staff	Unit C	0.5 AD, 2 AST
Standard Budget	BL - B03150	€150,000 ³⁶
ABMS	Code 1.6	€ 524,093

Legal basis

Art. 4.1, 5(2), (3) of Council Regulation (EC) No 768/2005 of 26 April 2005 establishing a Community Fisheries Control Agency and amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy.

Commission Decision (2011/310/EU) of 24 May 2011 establishing a specific control and inspection programme related to the pelagic fisheries in western waters³⁷. **Objectives**

Uniform and effective application of CFP rules in the Western Waters

Specific objectives will be formulated together with the Steering Group taking into account conclusions of the assessment of activities carried out in 2012 and results of risk analysis

Tasks

Adoption JDP for 2013 and 2014³⁸

Meetings of the Steering Group and the Technical Joint Deployment Group

Execution of Joint Campaigns

Workshops for inspectors and MS coordination experts (CCIC)³⁹

³⁶ Contribution to TITLE III, Commission General Budget 11.080502.

³⁷ OJ L 138, 26.05.2011, p.59 applicable until 31 December 2012.

³⁸ Subject to the adoption by the Commission of a Specific Control and Inspection Programme.

³⁹ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.3.4), 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

Workshops on the sea basin regional approach and possible new provisions adopted by the CFP reform

JDP Risk management

JDP Assessment

Upon request of the Commission, assistance in relations with Third countries (Norway, Faroe Islands, Iceland)

Communication

Deliverables

JDP for 2013 and 2014

Minutes of the Steering Group and the Technical Joint Deployment Group

Joint campaign reports

1 Workshop for inspectors 1 Workshop for Member Staes coordination experts (CCIC)

2 Workshops on the sea basin regional approach Strategic plan of Joint campaigns based on risk management

Annual report on assessment of effectiveness of JDP, including results of analysis of the existence of non-compliance risk

Report of results of assistance in relation with Third Countries (Norway, Faroe Islands, Iceland)

Communication of JDP results on the Agency web site

Capacity Building	ABMS Code	2
ACTIVITY		
Data Monitoring and		Operational Expenditure
Networks		
	CODE	RESOURCES
Staff	Unit B	3 AD + 1AST + 1SNE
Standard Budget	BL-B03010	€421,000
ABMS	Code 2.1	€ 1,507,231
Legal basis		

Art. 3(c), Art. 7(f), (i), Art. 13(2)(d), Art. 14, Art. 16, Art. 17e, Art. 17g and Art. 34 of Council Regulation (EC) No 768/2005 establishing a Community Fisheries Control Agency and amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy;

Art. 33(2)(7), 71(3), 72(3), 81(2),(3), 110, 111(1),(2) and 116(2),(3), (4) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 of 20 November 2009 establishing a Community control system for ensuring compliance with the rules of the common fisheries policy, amending Regulations (EC) No 847/96, (EC) No 2371/2002, (EC) No 811/2004, (EC) No 768/2005, (EC) No 2115/2005, (EC) No 2166/2005, (EC) No 388/2006, (EC) No 509/2007, (EC) No 676/2007, (EC) No 1098/2007, (EC) No 1300/2008, (EC) No 1342/2008 and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 2847/93, (EC) No 1627/94 and (EC) No 1966/2006.

Objectives

To develop and strengthen the skills, abilities, processes and resources that Member States need for the uniform application of the rules of the Common Fisheries Policy in the field of data monitoring and networks

To provide guidance and to facilitate the exchange of best practices for building capacities in the areas of data monitoring and networks

To develop information and data exchange solutions for joint control and inspection activities

Tasks

To develop, enhance, maintain and upgrade EFCA ICT applications in support to JDPs control and inspection activities

To operate the EFCA systems for the real-time exchange of operational fisheries related data between MSs and EFCA over the Data Exchange Highway (DEH)

To provide a secured ICT environment for the exchange of data, documents and information in relation to JDPs

To provide data analysis in support to the operational coordination unit for strategic planning of the JDPs or on an ad-hoc basis.

To coordinate or contribute to initiatives for common specification writing and development of systems to address the challenges MSs face regarding the collection and exchange of data

To organize meetings of the Working Group on Data Monitoring and Networks for the exchange of best practices in related fields of interest

To participate and contribute to the EU fisheries experts group meetings and workshops

Deliverables

Feasibility studies, user needs analysis, project management reports

EFCA applications developments, enhancements and upgrades implemented according to

planning

System availability for the real-time exchange of data, documents and information in relation to JDPs

Improved operational monitoring capabilities for JDPs

Data analysis reports and files

Meeting documentation, minutes and reports

Key Performance Indicators

EFCA-VMS availability rate during JDPs campaigns (100%)

EFCA-ERS 1.0 availability rate during JDPs campaigns (99%)

EFCA-ERS 1.1 successfully implemented (June 2013)

EFCA-EIR feasibility study successfully completed (July 2013)

FISHNET successfully implemented: 1.0 (April 2013), and 1.1 (November 2013)

Secured ICT environment developed in support to EFCA ICT new applications (March 2013)

ACTIVITY		
Training		Operational Expenditure
	CODE	RESOURCES
Staff	Unit B	1 AD +2 AST + 1 SNE
Standard Budget	BL-B03020	€286,000
ABMS	Code 2.2	€ 1,129,815
Paakaround (logal basis)		

Background (legal basis)

Art. 3(e), (f), (g), Art. 7(a), (b), (g) and Art. 17b of Council Regulation (EC) No 768/2005 of 26 April 2005 establishing a Community Fisheries Control Agency and amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy.

Objectives

To develop and strengthen the skills, abilities, processes and resources that Member States need for the uniform application of the rules of the Common Fisheries Policy in the field of training

To provide guidance and to facilitate the exchange of best practices for building capacities in the areas of training

To make available Core Curricula training modules (train the trainers and Union inspectors) and promote its usage

Tasks

To provide engineering and methodological support in the field of training in particular for the development of the Core Curricula

To successfully manage and monitor the Core Curricula project following agreed rules of procedures of the WGTEE and WGTEE, review and validation steps for the development of training modules⁴⁰, guidelines, and policy for the management of MS comments

⁴⁰ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.3.2), 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

To make available CC courses on EFCA E-Learning platform and to promote the utilisation of the CC modules for the training of Fisheries inspectors

To develop, enhance, upgrade and maintain the EFCA CCDP and E-Learning platforms

To promote the exchange knowledge and best practice on control and inspection

To organise meetings or seminars on training and exchange of experience, in particular a on the development of indicators for measuring the effectiveness of capacity building mainly focusing on training⁴¹

To organise training seminars and workshops at the request of the Commission and the MS

Deliverables

Core Curricula training courses (content, teaching and learning aids)

Training seminar pedagogical materials

Training platforms development, enhancement and upgrade implemented according to planning

Training platforms up-to-date and available

Meeting documentation, minutes and reports

Key Performance Indicators

Training platforms availability rate (100%)

CCDP 1.1 successfully implemented (October 2013)

E-Learning 1.0 successfully implemented (March 2013)

Inspection at Sea course published (February 2013)

Landing Inspection course successfully developed (December 2013)

Training modules availability rate (100%)

ACTIVITY		
Maritime Surveillance, Pooled Capacities and IUU		Operational Expenditure
	CODE	RESOURCES
Staff	Unit B	3 AST, 1 SNE
Standard Budget	BL-B03030	€230,541
ABMS	Code 2.3	€ 909,663
Background (legal basis)		

Art. 3 (h), (i), Art. 7(c), (d), Art. 17e and Art. 17g of Council Regulation (EC) No 768/2005 of 26 April 2005 establishing a Community Fisheries Control Agency and amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy.

Council Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008 of 29 September 2008 establishing a Community system to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing, amending

⁴¹ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.5.2), 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

Regulations (EEC) No 2847/93, (EC) No 1936/2001 and (EC) No 601/2004 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 1093/94 and (EC) No 1447/1999⁴².

Commission Regulation (EC) No 1010/2009 establishing detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008 establishing a Community system to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing ⁴³.

Commission Decision of 18 December 2009 designating the Community Fisheries Control Agency as the body to carry out certain tasks under Council Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008⁴⁴.

Objectives

To contribute to the implementation of the EU IMP and the CFP, continuing cooperation in maritime affairs with Member States, the Commission, relevant EU Agencies and external bodies

To provide shared and cost effective technical capacity and availability of means in support of EFCA coordination activities

To further develop the better usage of external information sources not readably available at the Agency for fisheries control purposes and fight against IUU in order to improve risk analysis at EU level

To provide assistance to the Commission and the Member States in order to ensure uniform and effective application of the rules of the Council Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008 and fight IUU fishing

Tasks

To manage the list of Union Inspectors and its publication on the EFCA web-site and to issue Union Inspectors identification documents

To develop and promote cooperation with other EU agencies or external bodies for the detection of suspected illegal fishing activities

To contribute to the development of the Common Information Sharing Environment (CISE)

To develop supporting tools for the integration of different data set and assess their value added to improve maritime surveillance

To provide contract management services for the procurement of inspection goods and services

To manage and improve the EFCA Operations Centre in line with operational and user requirements

To execute the tasks transferred under Commission Decision 2009/988/EU, including audits and evaluation missions to third countries (on request of the Commission)

To organise Workshop Seminars on IUU for MS competent authorities and Third Countries if so requested by the Commission.

To support training actions and national seminar on IUU at the request of MS Deliverables

⁴² OJ L 286, 29.10.2008, p. 1.

⁴³ OJ L 280, 27.10.2009, p. 5.

⁴⁴ OJ L 338, 19.12.2009, p. 104.

Up-to-date list of Union Inspectors maintained and published on the Agency website, and Union Inspectors ID cards issued Supporting documentation, expertise and operational coordination pilot projects (i.e. CISE, JDPs pilot projects) Information sharing in the framework of IMP and interagency cooperation A functional EFCA coordination room in line with the operational requirements Meetings documents and minutes Pilot projects successfully implemented according to planning 4 workshops seminars for Member States IUU competent authorities Participation to MS national IUU training seminars on request Reports on the implementation of Agency activities related to IUU IUU training seminars for Third countries experts on request of the Commission Mission preparation and reports on audits and evaluation missions in Third Countries **Key Performance Indicators** Percentage of Union inspector cards issued (100% after publication of list)

Availability rate of EFCA coordination room

Number of participants of IUU competent authorities

Evaluation rate (positive and very positive) of IUU seminars

Number of preparation mission preparation files and reports

Governance and Representati	on ABMS Code	3			
Gove	Governance and Representation				
Administrative Expenditure					
	CODE	RESOURCES			
ABMS	Code 3	€ 1,069,326			

ACTIVITY	STANDARD BUDGET BL B02500		
Administrative Board	€52,000 ⁴⁵		
Background (legal basis)			
Art. 23 of Council Regulation (EC) No 768/2005 of 26 April 2005 establishing a Community Fisheries Control Agency and amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 establishing a contro system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy.			
Objectives			
As the main governing body of the Agency the forefront objective of the Administrative Board			

As the main governing body of the Agency the forefront objective of the Administrative Board is to ensure the correct and effective functioning of the Agency

⁴⁵ Contribution to TITLES I and II, Commission General Budget 11.080501.

Tasks

Among others:

To appoint and dismiss the Executive Director pursuant to Article 30

To adopt, by 30 April each year, the general report of the Agency for the previous year and forward it to the European Parliament, the Council, the Commission, the Court of Auditors and the Member States. The report shall be made public

To adopt by 31 October each year, and taking into account the opinion of the Commission and the Member States, the work programme of the Agency for the coming year and forward it to the European Parliament, the Council, the Commission and the Member States

To adopt the final budget of the Agency before the beginning of the financial year, adjusting it, where necessary, according to the Community contribution and any other revenue of the Agency

To perform its duties in relation to the Agency's budget in accordance with Articles 35, 36 and 38

To exercise disciplinary authority over the Executive Director

To establish its rules of procedure; which may provide for the establishment of subcommittees of the Administrative Board as necessary; To adopt procedures necessary for the performance by the Agency of its tasks

To implement the Board recommendations following the 5 year independent evaluation of the Agency, namely to enhance the discussion on strategic discussions, to reflect on the participation of other parties in the Administrative Board⁴⁶

Deliverables

Agency Administrative Board Decisions

Agency Multiannual work programme, Annual work programme and Annual Report;

Adoption of the Budget and the Accounts

Adoption of the Multiannual Staff Policy Plan; Endorsement and/or support of the activities carried out by the Agency in the development of its mission

ACTIVITY	STANDARD BUDGET BL B02501
Advisory Board	€8,000 ⁴⁷
Background (legal basis)	

Art. 31 of Council Regulation (EC) No 768/2005 of 26 April 2005 establishing a Community Fisheries Control Agency and amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy.

Objectives

The main objective of the Advisory Board is to advise the Executive Director and to ensure close cooperation with stakeholders

Tasks

The Advisory Board shall at the request of the Executive Director advise him/her in the

⁴⁶ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendations 2.1.1 and 2.1.3), 15 March 2012 (<u>http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm</u>).

⁴⁷ Contribution to TITLES I and II, Commission General Budget 11.080501.

performance of his/her duties under this Regulation.

Deliverables

Advisory Board advice regarding the Multiannual and Annual work programme of the Agency, containing the main concerns, needs and priorities of the stakeholders to be considered in the Agency field of action.

ACTIVITY	STANDARD BUDGET BL B01300		
Representation and networks		€137,000 ⁴⁸	
Background (legal basis)			
Art. 29(3) of Council Regulation	(EC) No 768/2005 of 26 A	pril 2005 establishing a	

Community Fisheries Control Agency and amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy. Objectives

To ensure Agency representation, cooperation, dialogue and transparency with other institutional bodies, EU agencies and third parties

Tasks

Contribute to the general awareness about the mission and work of the Agency

Keep informed the institutional bodies and third parties on the work of the Agency

Explore synergies and common approaches with other EU agencies

Follow up of the relevant information provided by the third parties

Deliverables

Attendance to relevant meetings for the Agency

Contribution to drafting positions in the field of the inter-agency working groups

Presentations and briefings delivered in the different meetings

Briefings and documents issued to inform the institutional bodies and third parties

ACTIVITY	STANDARD BL B02700	BUDGET	STAFF	
Communication		€85,359 ⁴⁹	1AD	
Background (legal basis)				
Article 32(3) of Council Regulation	(EC) No 768/20	05 of 26 Ap	ril 2005 establishing a	
Community Fisheries Control Agency and amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93				
establishing a control system applicable to the Common Fisheries Policy.				
Objectives by target audience				
1. Stakeholders: promote a culture of compliance with the rules of the Common Fisheries Policy by contributing to a climate trust, confidence and accountability				
2. General public: contribute to and support of the Communication Strategy defined by the				

European Commission in the field of the Common Fisheries Policy and in particular in the

 ⁴⁸ Contribution to TITLES I and II, Commission General Budget 11.080501.
 ⁴⁹ Contribution to TITLES I and II, Commission General Budget 11.080501.

area of Control and Enforcement

3. Local public: support the Communication Strategies defined by the European institutions and in particular the Commission

4. Institutional actors: raising awareness about the Agency's work and mission in general and ensure fluent information flow

Tasks

1. Stakeholders:

Communication in relation to RAC/Agency conferences/seminars on control Reception of stakeholder visitors groups

Implementation of the Board recommendations following the 5 year independent evaluation of the Agency, namely to enhance regular, systematic, and effective communication with other stakeholders, particularly Member States, regarding the development of Agency activities.⁵⁰

2. General public:

Contribution and support to communication activities of the Commission in relation to the CFP(Seafood Exposition and Maritime Day)

Printing and distribution of Annual Report and Work Programme

Production of the necessary Communication support material

Communicate to the media the main results of Agency work

Apply the Agency visual identity

Creation and development of Agency online communication tools in line with the Board recommendations following the 5 year independent evaluation of the Agency, namely to develop an information portal for fisheries control⁵¹

3. Local public:

Celebrating Europe Day in Vigo

Participation in activities organised by the Commission Representation Office and EU info relays in Spain

Other local activities (university, local industry, etc)

4. Institutional stakeholders:

Presentations to EU stakeholders as well as in international, national, regional and local fora Deliverables

1. Stakeholders:

Communication on the seminar/event organised with a RAC Stakeholders visits to the Agency

2. General public:

Website development on Agency work

Stand, Agency staff presence, promotional material at the Seafood Exposition in Brussels and the Maritime Day

Participation in EU activities on the CFP and particularly Control such as information seminars, press conferences or fairs as well as contributing to the dissemination of the EU project (e.g. by participating at the Frankfurt Book fair)

Layout and distribution of the main publications of the Agency: Annual Report and Work Programme

⁵⁰ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.6.3), 15 March 2012 (http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm)

⁵¹ Administrative Board Recommendations on EFCA 5 year evaluation (Recommendation 2.6.1), 15 March 2012 (http://www.efca.europa.eu/pages/home/docs_basicdocs.htm)

Effective Communication tools available for trainings, visits, fairs, presentations, etc. Strong media relations on the topics covered by the Agency by issuing press releases, having phone contact and organising press trips or conferences when relevant. Main Agency supports apply the corporate visual identity

3. Local public:

Organisation of a local event with vast institutional presence and media coverage Cooperation with the EC Representation Office and EU Communication relays Organisation of visits of the local stakeholders to Agency office

4. Institutional actors:

Presentations to EU stakeholders, specially those involved in the JDPs Organisation of demos on operational work to main EU decision makers

ANNEXES

Annex 1- Performance indicators⁵²

Performance Indicators JDPs WP 2013

		NS	BS	NAFO NEAFC	BFT	WW
1. % of campaign days an in accordance with the	-	х	Х	Х	Х	Х
 Number of campaign d per JDP. 	ays at sea and ashore	x	х	х	Х	х
 Control and inspection accordance with the JI planned). 	means deployed in DP schedule (% of total	x	х	Х	х	х
4. Number of sightings, in presumed infringement	spections and ts detected during JDP.	х	х	х	х	х
5. Ratios for sightings-ins infringements/ per carr	pection-presumed paign day during JDP.	х	Х	Х	х	х
6. Man/days in mixed tea	ms.	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
 % of main species land controlled during the JI main species landings 	DP compared with total	x	х	NA	NA	х
8. Ratios for targeted ves presumed infringement		х	х	NA	NA	х
 Satisfaction questionna completed by participa Campaigns and trainin 	nts in the Joint	х	х	Х	х	х

NA- Not applicable

⁵² A revised version of the performance indicators will be presented later in 2012.

Annex 2: Project Management Codes

The Agency is exploring a new way for internal management. The new codification called "Project Management Codes" (PMC) is added to the fiches in order to link ABMS with a more project oriented monitoring of the objectives, actions, staff and budget. A sample of PMC template is provided below with proposed code allocation described as follows:

1. Operational coordination (PMC 100)

11-Operational coordination (PMC 100)

11	NORTH SEA & ADJACENT WATERS	
	Adoption of JDP	111
	Meetings of SG and TJDG	112
	Execution of joint campaigns	113
	Workshops for inspectors and CCIC experts	114
	Workshops in sea basin regional approach	115
	JDP risk management	116
	JDP assessment	117
	Third Countries: Norway, Feroe	118
	Communication	119
12	BALTIC SEA	
	Adoption of JDP	121
	Meetings of SG and TJDG	122
	Execution of joint campaigns	123
	Workshops for inspectors and CCIC experts	124
	Workshops in sea basin regional approach	125
	JDP risk management	126
	JDP assessment	127
	Third Countries: Rusia	128
	Communication	129
13	NORTH ATLANTIC NAFO - NEAFC	
	Adoption of JDP	131
	Meetings of SG and TJDG	132
	Execution of joint campaigns	133
	Workshops for NAFO AND NEAFC inspectors	134
	JDP risk management	135
	JDP assessment	136
	Third Countries Canada, US and RFMO: NAFO - NEAFC	138
	Communication	139
14	MEDITERRANEAN & BLACK SEA	
	Adoption of JDP	141
	Meetings of SG and TJDG	142
	Execution of joint campaigns	143

	Workshops for inspectors	144
	Workshops in sea basin regional approach	145
	JDP risk management	146
	JDP assessment	147
	Third Countries and RFMO: ICCAT, GFCM	148
	Communication	149
15	WESTERN WATERS	
	Adoption of JDP	151
	Meetings of SG and TJDG	152
	Execution of joint campaigns	153
	Workshops for inspectors and CCIC experts	154
	Workshops in sea basin regional approach	155
	JDP risk management	156
	JDP assessment	157
	Third Countries: Norway, Feroe, Iceland	158
	Communication	159

2. Capacity building (PMC 200)

21	Training	
	Core Curricula	211
	Training seminars	212
	Reserved	213
22	Information Systems	
	Data monitoring and Networks	221
	Training platforms	222
	Corporate applications	223
24	Assistance to MS and COM, and cooperation	
	Pooled capacities	241
	Maritime Surveillance	242
	IUU	243
	Support	244

3. Other horizontal supports (PMC 30)

3.1 Human Resources management

	HR	Reserved
PMC	31	311

3.2 Budget, Finance and Accounting

	Budget, Finance and Accounting	Reserved
PMC	32	321

3.3 Business continuity plan

	Business continuity Plan	Reserved
PMC	33	31

4. Governance and representation (PMC 40)

	Governance	Representation
PMC	41	41

Annex 3: Recommendations by the Administrative Board to the Commission issued following the external independent evaluation of the European Fisheries Control Agency



Item 8: EFCA Evaluation – Issuing of recommendations

Recommendations by the Administrative Board to the Commission issued following the external independent evaluation of the European Fisheries Control Agency

Introductory remarks

According to Article 39 of Regulation (EC) 768/2005, as amended by Regulation (EC)1224/2009, the Administrative Board of EFCA commissioned an independent external evaluation of the implementation of the Regulation. Following a competitive tender, the study was carried out by a consultant following the terms of reference agreed on by the Administrative Board.

The Administrative Board received the final report of the five years external independent evaluation on 2 March 2012.

In order to maintain an open discussion to debate and analyse the work that has been done since the setting up of the Agency and the way forward, the EFCA organised a Seminar on the Five Years Independent External Evaluation on 14 March 2012, with the participation of representatives of the Administrative Board of EFCA, the European Parliament and other concerned stakeholders. The Consultants presented their report to the Seminar.

The Administrative Board welcomes the Consultant's conclusions that "On the whole, governance arrangements have worked well. Considering the agency's limited resources, its operation in the politically sensitive environment of fisheries policy, and current Member State budget constraints, performance against the evaluation criteria of relevance, efficiency, effectiveness, impact and sustainability can be considered promising"

On the basis of the consultant's report and discussions thereon at the Seminar that took place on 14 March 2012, the Administrative Board presents below its recommendations to the European Commission.

A follow up on the implementation of the recommendations will be provided in EFCA annual report.

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1 Recommendations regarding changes to the Agency regulation 768/2005 as amended

1.1 On objectives and responsibilities

- 1.1.1 It is too premature to propose an amendment of Agency regulation. Nevertheless a guidance document with clear description of responsibilities delimitation between EFCA, EC, and MS is recommended.
- 1.1.2 Level playing field and coordination and assistance for better compliance are considered as wider objectives of the Agency.

2 Recommendations related to the Agency and its working practices.

2.1 On governance

- 2.1.1 Administrative Board to focus on strategic issues, leaving routine matters to be decided by written procedure.
- 2.1.2 Administrative Board participation is a Member State prerogative.
- 2.1.3 The Board should reflect on the participation of other parties in the Administrative Board.

2.2 On operational coordination

- 2.2.1 General agreement with regard to the introduction of multi-species and continuous regional JDP with a solid legal basis and prioritisation.
- 2.2.2 It was recognised to take action on improving estimates of Bluefin tuna biomass during transfer to cages.
- 2.2.3 To examine periodically at which level EFCA involvement in the JDPs provides the best added value, in accordance with the existing legal basis.

2.3 On training

- 2.3.1 Establish a clear overarching road map for training, in particular the remaining areas of the Core Curricula, including the training of trainers.
- 2.3.2 Review of working methods to accelerate the development of the Core Curricula.
- 2.3.3 Ensure maintenance of Core Curricula.
- 2.3.4 Establishment of regional training for national inspectors, as well as Union inspectors.

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2.4 On dissemination of good practices

- 2.4.1 Show-case EFCA best practice on inter-agency and national agencies cooperation, and share EFCA experience on performance indicators for measuring administrative efficiency and effectiveness.
- 2.4.2 Take stock of exchanged best practices and dissemination via the EFCA website.

2.5 On assessment

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- 2.5.1 Implement the recently prepared method for assessing the performance of the JDPs after discussion at regional level.
- 2.5.2 Development of indicators for measuring the effectiveness of capacity building.
- 2.5.3 Develop a method for assessing cost effectiveness for Member States.
- 2.5.4 Annual stock-taking of scientific evidence on developments with the fish stocks that the EFCA is focusing on. Consider scientific bodies request for access to data for scientific purposes.
- 2.5.5 EFCA and the EC to study ways of exchanging data on compliance with the Common Fisheries Policy requirements, in accordance with data ownership requirements of Member States.

2.6 On cooperation and communication

- 2.6.1 EFCA to develop an information portal for fisheries control.
- 2.6.2 Encourage the Agency to continue synergies between different meetings and use of telephone and video conferencing.
- 2.6.3 Enhancing regular, systematic, and effective communication with other stakeholders, particularly Member States, regarding the development of Agency activities.

