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**fixing for 2027 the fishing opportunities for certain fish stocks and groups of fish stocks
applicable in the Mediterranean and Black Seas**

ANNEX I

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION COMMERCIAL FISHING ACTIVITIES FOR GLASS EELS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE GFCM MULTIANNUAL MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR EUROPEAN EEL IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA

The maximum number of fishing authorizations and fishing gears authorized for commercial fishing activities targeting European eel (*Anguilla Anguilla*) of an overall length of less than 12 cm shall be as set out in Tables 1 and 2 respectively.

Table 1

Maximum number of fishing authorizations

Member States	European eel ELE
Spain	153

Table 2

Maximum number of fishing gears

Member States	Fishing gear	Gear code	Units
Spain	Pots and traps	EPO	249

ANNEX II

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE GFCM MULTIANNUAL MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR RED CORAL IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA

The maximum allowable number of fishing authorisations and the maximum level of harvested quantities of red coral in the Mediterranean Sea shall be as set out in Table 1.

Reference to fishing zones are references to the GFCM GSAs.

For the purposes of this Annex, the following comparative table of Latin names and common names of fish stocks shall apply :

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name
<i>Corallium rubrum</i>	COL	Red coral

Table 1 Maximum number of fishing authorisations (*)

Member States	Red coral COL
Greece	12
Spain	0(**)
France	32
Croatia	0(**)
Italy	40

(*) Representing number of vessels or divers, or both, or a pair of one diver with one vessel, authorised to harvest red coral.

(**) In accordance with the current temporal ban for red coral fisheries established in Spanish waters and in Croatian waters, pending possible changes in future.

Table 2

Maximum level of harvested quantities expressed in kilograms live weight

Species:	Red coral	Zone:	Union waters in the Mediterranean Sea GSA 1-27
	<i>Corallium rubrum</i>	COL/GF1-27	
Greece	1 844		
Spain	0(**)		
France	1 400		
Croatia	0(**)		
Italy	1 378		
Union	4 622		
TAC	Not relevant		

(**) In accordance with the current temporal ban for red coral fisheries established in Spanish waters and in Croatian waters, pending possible changes in future

ANNEX III

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE MANAGEMENT OF COMMON DOLPHINFISH IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA

The maximum number, kW and GT of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for common dolphinfish by using FADs in the Mediterranean Sea and the maximum level of catches shall be as set out in tables 1, 2 and 3.

References to fishing zones are references to GFCM GSAs.

For the purposes of this Annex, the following comparative table of Latin names and common names of fish stocks is provided:

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name
<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>	DOL	Common dolphinfish

Table 1 - Maximum fleet capacity of vessels targeting common dolphinfish by using FADs in the Mediterranean Sea (GSAs 1-27)

Member State	Number of vessels	kW	GT
Italy	261	21061	1986
Malta	130	16 662	1 296,28
Spain	45	2 105,73	153,34

Table 2 - Maximum number of FADs per vessel authorised to target common dolphinfish in the Mediterranean Sea (GSAs 1-27)

Member State	Number of FADs per vessel
Italy	100
Malta	200
Spain	50

Table 3 - Maximum level of catches in tonnes live weight caught in the Mediterranean Sea (GSAs 1-27)

Species:	Common dolphinfish <i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>	Zone:	Union and International waters of GFCM-GSAs 1-27 (DOL/MED)
Italy	pm	Maximum level of catches	
Malta	pm		
Spain	pm		
Union	pm		
TAC	Not relevant		

ANNEX IV

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE MANAGEMENT OF DEMERSAL STOCKS IN THE WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN SEA

The maximum allowable fishing effort (in fishing days) by stock groups, as defined in Article 2, point (13), of Regulation (EU) No 2019/1022, maximum catch limits and overall length of vessels for all types of trawls¹ and demersal longliners fishing for demersal stocks in the western Mediterranean Sea shall be set out as in tables below.

All fishing opportunities set out in this Annex shall be subject to the rules set out in Article 7 of Regulation (EU) 2019/1022 and Articles 26 to 35 of Regulation (EC) 1224/2009.

Reference to fishing zones are references to GFCM GSAs.

For the purposes of this Annex, the following comparative table of Latin names and common names of fish stocks is provided:

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name
<i>Aristaeomorpha foliacea</i>	ARS	Giant red shrimp
<i>Aristeus antennatus</i>	ARA	Blue and red shrimp
<i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	HKE	European hake
<i>Mullus barbatus</i>	MUT	Red mullet
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	NEP	Norway lobster
<i>Parapenaeus longirostris</i>	DPS	Deep-water rose shrimp

¹ TBB, OTB, PTB, TBN, TBS, TB, OTM, PTM, TMS, TM, OTT, OT, PT, TX, OTP and TSP.

1. Maximum allowable fishing effort (in fishing days)

(a) Number of fishing days for trawlers in the Alboran Sea, Balearic Islands, Northern Spain and Gulf of Lion (GSAs 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7)

Stock group	Overall length of vessels	Spain	France	Italy	Fishing effort group code	Additional allocation code
Red mullet in GSAs 1, 5, 6 and 7; hake in GSAs 1, 5, 6 and 7; deep-water rose shrimp in GSAs 1, 5 and 6; Norway lobster in GSAs 5 and 6	<12m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED1_TR1	EFF1/MED1_TR1_AA
	≥ 12 m and < 18 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED1_TR2	EFF1/MED1_TR2_AA
	≥ 18 m and < 24 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED1_TR3	EFF1/MED1_TR3_AA
	≥ 24 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED1_TR4	EFF1/MED1_TR4_AA
Blue and red shrimp in GSAs 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7	<12m	pm	pm	pm	EFF2/MED1_TR1	EFF2/MED1_TR1_AA
	≥ 12 m and < 18 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF2/MED1_TR2	EFF2/MED1_TR2_AA

	≥ 18 m and < 24 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF2/MED1_TR3	EFF2/MED1_TR3_AA
	≥ 24 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF2/MED1_TR4	EFF2/MED1_TR4_AA

(b) Number of fishing days for trawlers in Corsica Island, Ligurian Sea, Tyrrhenian Sea and Sardinia Island (GSAs 8, 9, 10 and 11)

Stock group	Overall length of vessels	Spain	France	Italy	Fishing effort group code	Additional allocation code
Red mullet in GSAs 8, 9, 10 and 11; hake in GSAs 8, 9, 10 and 11; deep-water rose shrimp in GSAs 9, 10 and 11; Norway lobster in GSAs 9 and 10	<12m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED2_TR1	EFF1/MED2_TR1_AA
	≥ 12 m and < 18 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED2_TR2	EFF1/MED2_TR2_AA
	≥ 18 m and < 24 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED2_TR3	EFF1/MED2_TR3_AA
	≥ 24 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED2_TR4	EFF1/MED2_TR4_AA
Giant red shrimp in GSAs 8, 9, 10 and 11	<12m	pm	pm	pm	EFF2/MED2_TR1	EFF2/MED2_TR1_AA
	≥ 12 m and < 18 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF2/MED2_TR2	EFF2/MED2_TR2_AA
	≥ 18 m and < 24 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF2/MED2_TR3	EFF2/MED2_TR3_AA

	≥ 24 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF2/MED2_ TR4	EFF2/MED2_TR4 _AA
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- (c) Number of fishing days for demersal longliners in Alboran Sea, Balearic Islands, Northern Spain and Gulf of Lion (GSAs 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7)

Stock group	Overall length of vessels	Spain	France	Italy	Fishing effort group code
Hake in GSAs 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7	< 12 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED1_LL1
	≥ 12 m and < 18 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED1_LL2
	≥ 18 m and < 24 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED1_LL3
	≥ 24 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED1_LL4

- (d) Number of fishing days for demersal longliners in Corsica Island, Ligurian Sea, Tyrrhenian Sea and Sardinia Island (GSAs 8, 9, 10 and 11)

Stock group	Overall length of vessels	Spain	France	Italy	Fishing effort group code
Hake in GSAs 8, 9, 10 and 11	< 12 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED2_LL1
	≥ 12 m and < 18 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED2_LL2
	≥ 18 m and < 24 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED2_LL3
	≥ 24 m	pm	pm	pm	EFF1/MED2_LL4

2. Maximum catch limits for blue and red shrimp (*Aristeus antennatus*) and giant red shrimp (*Aristaeomorpha foliacea*)

- (a) Fishing opportunities for blue and red shrimp (*Aristeus antennatus*) in the Alboran Sea, Balearic Islands, Northern Spain and Gulf of Lion (GSAs 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7), expressed as maximum level of catches in tonnes live weight

Species:	Blue and red shrimp <i>Aristeus antennatus</i>	Zone:	GSA 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7 (ARA/GF1-7)
Spain	pm		

France	pm		
Italy	pm		
Union	pm		
TAC	Not relevant		Maximum level of catches

- (b) Fishing opportunities for blue and red shrimp (*Aristeus antennatus*) and giant red shrimp (*Aristaeomorpha foliacea*) in Corsica Island, Ligurian Sea, Tyrrhenian Sea and Sardinia Island (GSAs 8, 9, 10 and 11), expressed as maximum level of catches in tonnes live weight

Species:	Blue and red shrimp <i>Aristeus antennatus</i>	Zone:	GSA 8, 9, 10 and 11 (ARA/GF8-11)
Spain	pm		
France	pm		
Italy	pm		
Union	pm		Precautionary catch limit
TAC	Not relevant		Maximum level of catches
Species:	Giant red shrimp <i>Aristaeomorpha foliacea</i>	Zone:	GSA 8, 9, 10 and 11 (ARS/GF8-11)
Spain	pm		
France	pm		
Italy	pm		
Union	pm		Analytical catch limits
TAC	Not relevant		Maximum level of catches

ANNEX V

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS IN THE ADRIATIC SEA

The fishing opportunities by stock or vessel effort groups and, where appropriate, the conditions functionally linked thereto, including the maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish small pelagics shall be set out as in tables below.

All fishing opportunities set out in this Annex shall be subject to the rules set out in Articles 26 to 35 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009.

Reference to fishing zones are references to GFCM GSAs.

For the purposes of this Annex, the following comparative table of Latin names and common names is provided:

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name
<i>Engraulis encrasicolus</i>	ANE	Anchovy
<i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	HKE	European hake
<i>Mullus barbatus</i>	MUT	Red mullet
<i>Nephrops norvegicus</i>	NEP	Norway lobster
<i>Parapenaeus longirostris</i>	DPS	Deep-water rose shrimp
<i>Sardina pilchardus</i>	PIL	Sardine
<i>Solea solea</i>	SOL	Common sole

1. Small pelagic stocks – GSAs 17 and 18

(a) Maximum level of catches expressed in tonnes live weight

Species	Small pelagic species (anchovy and sardine)		Zone	Union and International waters of GFCM-GSAs 17 and 18
	<i>Engraulis encrasicolus</i> (ANE/GF1718)	<i>Sardina pilchardus</i> (PIL/GF1718)		
Italy	pm	pm		
Croatia	pm	pm		
Slovenia	pm	pm		
Union	pm	pm		
TAC	Not relevant			

(b) Maximum fleet capacity of trawlers and purse seiners actively fishing for small pelagics

Member State	Gear	Number of vessels	kW	GT
Croatia	PS	249	77 145,52	18 537,72
Italy	PTM, OTM and PS	187	64655	14065
Slovenia ^(*)	PS	4	433,7	38,5

(*) Paragraph 28 of GFCM/44/2021/20 shall not apply to national fleets of less than 10 purse seiners or pelagic trawlers actively fishing for small pelagic stocks, as recorded both in national and GFCM registers in 2014, as is the case of Slovenia. In such case, the capacity of the active fleet may increase by not more than 50 % in number of vessels and in terms of gross tonnage (GT), gross registered tonnage (GRT) and kW.

2. Demersal stocks – GSAs 17 and 18

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ANNEX VI

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS IN THE STRAIT OF SICILY

The fishing opportunities by stock or vessels effort groups and, where appropriate, the conditions functionally linked thereto, including the maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish demersal species and deep-water shrimps shall be as set out in tables below.

All fishing opportunities set out in this Annex shall be subject to the rules set out in Articles 26 to 35 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009.

References to fishing zones are references to GFCM GSAs.

For the purposes of this Annex, the following comparative table of Latin names and common names is provided:

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name
<i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	HKE	European hake
<i>Parapenaeus longirostris</i>	DPS	Deep-water rose shrimp
<i>Aristaeomorpha foliacea</i>	ARS	Giant red shrimp
<i>Aristeus antennatus</i>	ARA	Blue and red shrimp

1. Demersal Stocks

(a) Maximum fleet capacity, expressed in number of vessels, kW and GT, of bottom trawl vessels authorised to fish demersal stocks in the Strait of Sicily (GSAs 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16)

Member State	Gear	Number of vessels	kW	GT
Cyprus	OTB	1	265	105
Spain	OTB	1	100	118
Italy	OTB	594	144 175	36 856
Malta	OTB	15	5 562	2 007

(b) Maximum level of fishing effort (in number of fishing days), for bottom otter-trawl vessels (OTB) targeting European hake (*Merluccius merluccius*) in the Strait of Sicily (GSAs 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16)

Member State	Gear	Vessel Length	Effort group code	Fishing Days 2027
CYP	OTB	T-12	EFF4/MED4_OTB4	pm
ITA	OTB	T-07	EFF4/MED4_OTB1	pm
ITA	OTB	T-10	EFF4/MED4_OTB2	pm

ITA	OTB	T-11	EFF4/MED4_OTB3	pm
ITA	OTB	T-12	EFF4/MED4_OTB4	pm
MLT	OTB	T-11	EFF4/MED4_OTB3	pm
MLT	OTB	T-12	EFF4/MED4_OTB4	pm

(c) Maximum level of catches of deep-water rose shrimp (*Parapenaeus longirostris*) in the Strait of Sicily (GSAs 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16) expressed in tonnes live weight

Species: Deep-water rose shrimp <i>Parapenaeus longirostris</i>		Zone: GSAs 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 (DPS/GF12-16)
Cyprus	pm	Analytical catch limit
Italy	pm	
Malta	pm	
Union	pm	
TAC	Not relevant	

2. Deep-water shrimps

(a) Maximum fleet capacity, expressed in number of vessels, kW and GT, of bottom trawl vessels authorised to fish deep-water shrimp stocks in the Strait of Sicily (GSAs 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16)

Member State	Gear	Number of vessels	kW	GT
Cyprus	OTB	1	265	105
Spain	OTB	2	440,56	218,78
Italy	OTB	239	76 232	22 672
Malta	OTB	15	5 562	2 007

(b) Maximum level of catches of giant red shrimp (*Aristaeomorpha foliacea*) in the Strait of Sicily (GSAs 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16) expressed in tonnes live weight

Species: Giant red shrimp <i>Aristaeomorpha foliacea</i>		Zone: GSAs 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 (ARS/GF12-16)
Spain	pm	Analytical catch limit
Italy	pm	
Cyprus	pm	
Malta	pm	
Union	pm	
TAC	Not relevant	

(c) Maximum level of catches of blue and red shrimp (*Aristeus antennatus*) in the Strait of Sicily (GSAs 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16) expressed in tonnes live weight

Species:	Blue and red shrimp <i>Aristeus antennatus</i>	Zone: GSAs 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 (ARA/GF12-16)
Spain	pm	Precautionary catch limit
Italy	pm	
Cyprus	pm	
Malta	pm	
Union	pm	
TAC	Not relevant	

ANNEX VII

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS IN THE IONIAN SEA AND THE LEVANT SEA

The maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for demersal stocks in the Ionian Sea and the Levant Sea shall be as set out in tables below. References to fishing zones are references to GFCM GSAs.

For the purposes of this Annex, the following comparative table of Latin names and common names of fish stocks is provided:

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name
<i>Aristaeomorpha foliacea</i>	ARS	Giant red shrimp
<i>Aristeus antennatus</i>	ARA	Blue and red shrimp

1. Ionian Sea

(a) Maximum fleet capacity, expressed in number of vessels, kW and GT, of bottom trawl vessels authorised to fish deep-water shrimp stocks in the Ionian Sea (GSAs 19, 20 and 21)

Member State	Gear	Number of vessels	kW	GT
Greece	OTB	240	69 281	23 101
Italy	OTB	291	72383	16853
Malta	OTB	15	5 562	2 007

(b) Maximum level of catches of giant red shrimp (*Aristaeomorpha foliacea*) in the Ionian Sea (GSAs 19, 20 and 21) expressed in tonnes live weight

Species:	Giant red shrimp <i>Aristaeomorpha foliacea</i>	Zone: GSAs 19, 20 and 21 (ARS/GF19-21)
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Greece pm Analytical catch limit

Italy pm

Malta pm

Union pm

TAC Not relevant

(c) Maximum level of catches of blue and red shrimp (*Aristeus antennatus*) in the Ionian Sea (GSAs 19, 20 and 21) expressed in tonnes live weight

Species:	Blue and red shrimp <i>Aristeus antennatus</i>	Zone: GSAs 19, 20 and 21 (ARA/GF19-21)
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Greece	pm	Analytical catch limit
Italy	pm	
Malta	pm	
Union	pm	
TAC	Not relevant	

2. Levant Sea

(a) Maximum fleet capacity, expressed in number of vessels, kW and GT, of bottom trawler vessels authorised to fish deep-water shrimp stocks in the Levant Sea (GSAs 24, 25, 26 and 27)

Member State	Gear	Number of vessels	kW	GT
Cyprus	OTB	6	2 048	618
Italy	OTB	34	15345	5542

(b) Maximum level of catches of giant red shrimp (*Aristaeomorpha foliacea*) in the Levant Sea (GSAs 24, 25, 26 and 27) expressed in tonnes live weight

Species:	Giant red shrimp <i>Aristaeomorpha foliacea</i>	Zone: GSAs 24, 25, 26 and 27 (ARS/GF24-27)
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Italy	pm	Precautionary catch limit
Cyprus	pm	
Union	pm	
TAC	Not relevant	

(c) Maximum level of catches of blue and red shrimp (*Aristeus antennatus*) in the Levant Sea (GSAs 24, 25, 26 and 27) expressed in tonnes live weight

Species:	Blue and red shrimp <i>Aristeus antennatus</i>	Zone: GSAs 24, 25, 26 and 27 (ARA/GF24-27)
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Italy	pm	Precautionary catch limit
Cyprus	pm	
Union	pm	

TAC

Not relevant

ANNEX VIII

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS IN THE ALBORAN SEA

The tables in this Annex set out the maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for blackspot seabream in the Alboran Sea and the maximum level of catches.

References to fishing zones are references to GFCM GSAs.

For the purposes of this Annex, the following comparative table of Latin names and common names of fish stocks is provided:

<u>Scientific name</u>	<u>Alpha-3 code</u>	<u>Common name</u>
<i>Pagellus boraraveo</i>	SBR	Blackspot seabream

(a) Maximum level of catches carried out by longliners and handliners expressed in tonnes live weight

Species	Blackspot seabream <i>Pagellus boraraveo</i>	Zone: Union waters in the Alboran Sea – GSAs 1, 2 and 3 (SBR/GF1-3)
Spain	pm	Maximum level of catches
Union	pm	
TAC	Not relevant	

(b) Maximum number of longliners and handliners authorised for fishing in Alboran Sea (GSAs 1, 2 and 3)

Member State	Blackspot seabream in GSAs 1, 2 and 3
Spain	82

ANNEX IX

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS IN THE BLACK SEA

The tables in this Annex set out TACs and quotas expressed in tonnes live weight by stock and, where appropriate, conditions functionally linked thereto.

All fishing opportunities set out in this Annex shall be subject to the rules set out in Articles 26 to 35 of Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009.

Reference to fishing zones are references to GFCM GSAs.

For the purposes of this Annex, the following comparative table of Latin names and common names is provided:

Scientific name	Alpha-3 code	Common name
<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	SPR	Sprat
<i>Scophthalmus maximus</i>	TUR	Turbot

Species	Sprat <i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Zone:	Union waters in the Black Sea – GSA 29 (SPR/F3742C)
Bulgaria	8 032,50	Analytical TAC Article 3(2) and 3(3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.	
Romania	3 442,50		
Union	11 475		
TAC	Not relevant		

Species:	Turbot <i>Scophthalmus maximus</i>	Zone:	Union waters in the Black Sea – GSA 29 (TUR/F3742C)
Bulgaria	82,50		Analytical TAC Article 3(2) and 3(3) of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply
Romania	82,50		
Union	165	(*)	
TAC	890		

(*) No fishing activity, including transshipment, retaining on board, landing and first sale, shall be permitted from 15 April to 15 June 2027.