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ANNEX I

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

The tables in this Annex set out the maximum allowable number of fishing authorisations and the maximum level of harvested quantities of red coral in the Mediterranean Sea.

The reference to fishing zones are references to the GFCM geographical subareas ('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
Corallium rubrum	COL	Red coral

Table 1. Maximum number of fishing authorisations[1]

Member States	Red coral COL
Greece	12
Spain	0 ([2])
France	32
Croatia	28
Italy	40

Table 2. Maximum level of harvested quantities expressed in tonnes live weight

Species:	Red coral	Zone:	Union waters in the Mediterranean Sea-GSA 1-27
	Corallium rubrum	COL/GF1-27	
Greece	1,844	Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply.	
Spain	0 ([2])		
France	1,400		
Croatia	1,226		
Italy	1,378		

[1] Representing number of vessels and/or divers, or a pair of one diver with one vessel, authorised to harvest red coral.

[2] According to the temporal ban for red coral fisheries established in Spanish waters.

Union	5,848	
TAC	Not relevant /Not agreed	

ANNEX II

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

The table in this Annex sets out the maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for common dolphinfish in the international waters of the Mediterranean Sea.

The reference to fishing zones are references to the international waters of the Mediterranean Sea.

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
Coryphaena hippurus	DOL	Common dolphinfish

Maximum number of fishing authorisations for vessels operating in international waters(*)

Member State	Common dolphinfish DOL
Italy	797
Malta	130

(*)This quota may be fished only between 15 august and 31 December 2023 in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1343/2011.

ANNEX III

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

The tables in this Annex set out the maximum allowable fishing effort (in fishing days) by stock groups, as defined in Article 1 of Regulation (EU) No 2019/1022, maximum catch limits and overall length of vessels for all types of trawls[1] and demersal longliners fishing for demersal stocks in the western Mediterranean Sea.

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

The reference to fishing zones are references to GFCM geographical subareas ('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
Aristaeomorpha foliacea	ARS	Giant red shrimp
Aristeus antennatus	ARA	Blue and red shrimp
Merluccius merluccius	HKE	European hake
Mullus barbatus	MUT	Red mullet
Nephrops norvegicus	NEP	Norway lobster
Parapenaeus longirostris	DPS	Deep-water rose shrimp

Table 1. Maximum allowable fishing effort in fishing days

(a) Trawlers in Alboran Sea, Balearic Islands, Northern Spain and Gulf of Lion (GSAs 1-2-5-6-7)

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.	< 12 m	*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

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

Stock group	Overall length of vessels	Spain	France	Italy	Fishing effort group code	Additional allocation code
Blue and red shrimp in GSAs 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7.	< 12 m	*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) Trawlers in Corsica Island, Ligurian Sea, Tyrrhenian Sea and Sardinia Island (GSAs 8-9-10-11)

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.	< 12 m	*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

Stock group	Overall length of vessels	Spain	France	Italy	Fishing effort group code	Additional allocation code
Giant red shrimp in GSAs	< 12 m	*pm*	*pm*	*pm*	EFF2/MED2_TR1	EFF2/MED2_TR1_AA

8, 9, 10 and 11.	≥ 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

(c) Demersal longliners in Alboran Sea, Balearic Islands, Northern Spain and Gulf of Lion (GSAs 1-2-5-6-7)

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	*mp*	*pm*	*pm*	EFF1/MED1_LL4

(d) Demersal longliners in Corsica Island, Ligurian Sea, Tyrrhenian Sea and Sardinia Island (GSAs 8-9-10-11)

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

Table 2. Maximum catch limit

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

Species:	**Blue and red shrimp** ***Aristeus antennatus***	**Zone:**	**GSA 1-2-5-6-7 (ARA/GF1-7)**

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

(f) 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 8-9-10-11) expressed as maximum level of catches in tonnes live weight

Species:	**Blue and red shrimp** ***(Aristeus antennatus*****)**		**Zone:**	**GSA 8-9-10-11 (ARA/GF8-11)**
Spain	*pm*			
France	*pm*			
Italy	*pm*			
Union	*pm*			
TAC	Not relevant		Maximum level of catches	

Species:	**Giant red shrimp** ***(Aristaeomorpha foliacea)***		**Zone:**	**GSA 8-9-10-11 (ARS/GF8-11)**
Spain	*pm*			
France	*pm*			
Italy	*pm*			
Union	*pm*			
TAC	Not relevant		Maximum level of catches	

ANNEX IV

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS IN THE ADRIATIC SEA

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

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.

The reference to fishing zones are references to GFCM geographical subareas ('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
Engraulis encrasicolus	ANE	Anchovy
Merluccius merluccius	HKE	European hake
Mullus barbatus	MUT	Red mullet
Nephrops norvegicus	NEP	Norway lobster
Parapenaeus longirostris	DPS	Deep-water rose shrimp
Sardina pilchardus	PIL	Sardine
Solea solea	SOL	Common sole

1. Small pelagic stocks – GSAs 17 and 18

Maximum level of catches expressed in tonnes live weight

Species:	**Small pelagic species (anchovy and sardine)** ***Engraulis encrasicolus* and *Sardina pilchardus***		**Zone:**	**Union and International waters of GFCM-GSAs 17 and 18 (SP1/GF1718)**
Italy	32941	(*)	Maximum level of catches Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Croatia	51735			
TAC	Not relevant			

(*) Concerning Slovenia, the quantities are based on the level of catches exerted in 2014, up to an amount that should not exceed 300 tonnes.

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-PS	685	134 556,7	25 852
Slovenia (*)	PS	4	433,7	38,5

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

2. Demersal stocks – GSAs 17 and 18

Maximum allowable fishing effort (in fishing days) by types of trawls and fleet segment fishing for demersal stocks in GSAs 17 and 18 (Adriatic Sea).

					Fishing Days 2022		
Gear type	Geographical area	Stocks concerned	Overall length of vessels	Effort group code	ITALY	CROATIA	SLOVENIA (*)
Trawls (OTB)	GFCM sub-areas 17-18	Red mullet; Hake; Deep-water rose shrimp, and Norway lobster	< 12 m	EFF/MED3_OTB_TR1	*pm*	*pm*	
			≥ 12 m and < 24 m	EFF/MED3_OTB_TR2	*pm*	*pm*	
			≥ 24 m	EFF/MED3_OTB_TR3	*pm*	*pm*	
Beam trawls (TBB)	GFCM sub-area 17	Common sole	< 12 m	EFF/MED3_TBB_TR1	*pm*	*pm*	
			≥ 12 m and < 24 m	EFF/MED3_TBB_TR2	*pm*	*pm*	
			≥ 24 m	EFF/MED3_TBB_TR3	*pm*	*pm*	

(*) Slovenia shall not exceed the effort limit of 3 000 fishing days per year in accordance with paragraph 13 of GFCM/43/2019/5.

Maximum fleet capacity of bottom trawler and beam trawl vessels authorised for fishing demersal stocks

Member State	Gear	Number of vessels	kW	GT
Croatia	OTB	495	79 867,99	13 267,99
Italy	OTB-TBB	1 363	260 618,37	47 148
Slovenia (*)	OTB	11	1 813,00	168,67

(*) The provisions of paragraphs 9(c) and 28 of GFCM/43/2019/5 shall not apply to national fleets operating with OTB and fishing for less than 1 000 days during the reference period mentioned in paragraph 9(c). The fishing capacity of the active fleet operating with OTB shall not increase by more than 50 percent with respect to the reference period.

ANNEX V

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS IN THE IONIAN SEA, LEVANT SEA AND THE STRAIT OF SICILY

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ANNEX VI

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS IN THE ALBORAN SEA

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ANNEX VII

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.

The reference to fishing zones are references to GFCM geographical subareas ('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
Sprattus sprattus	SPR	Sprat
Scophthalmus maximus	TUR	Turbot

Species:	**Sprat** ***Sprattus sprattus***	**Zone:**	**Union waters in the Black Sea – GSA 29 (SPR/F3742C)**
Bulgaria	8 032,50	Analytical quota Article 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/Not agreed		

Species:	**Turbot** ***Scophthalmus maximus***		**Zone:**	**Union waters in the Black Sea – GSA 29 (TUR/F3742C)**
Bulgaria	*pm*		Analytical TAC Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply. Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 847/96 shall not apply	
Romania	*pm*			
Union	*pm*	(*1)		
TAC	*pm*			

(*1) No fishing activity, including transshipment, retaining on board, landing and first sale shall be permitted from 15 April to 15 June 2022.

ANNEX VIII

AMENDING ANNEX III TO REGULATION (EC) 2022/110

Annex III to Regulation (EC) 2022/110 is amended as follows:

(1) in the table relating to trawlers in Alboran Sea, Balearic Islands, Northern Spain and Gulf of Lion (GSAs 1-2-5-6-7) in point (a), footnote 2 is replaced by the following:

"(2) In addition to the above-mentioned maximum allowable fishing effort for trawlers, a Member State may grant to vessels flying its flag an additional allocation of fishing days within an overall 2 % of the fishing effort of that Member State for the fleet segment concerned, provided that:

(a) those vessels use a trawl net with 45 mm square mesh size codend in order to reduce by at least 25 % of catches of the juveniles of hake; or
(b) those vessels use a trawl net with mesh size codend of 50 mm square mesh size for deep water fisheries in order to reduce by at least 25 % of catches of blue and red shrimps less than 25 mm CL in geographical subareas 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 and to reduce by at least 25 % catches of giant red shrimps in the geographical subareas 8, 9, 10 and 11 less than 35 mm CL; or
© those vessels use a regulated highly selective gear, the technical specifications of which result in, according to the scientific study by STECF, at least a reduction of 25 % of juveniles or at least 20 % of catches of spawners of all demersal species compared to 2020; or
(d) the Member State concerned has adopted temporary closure areas in order to reduce by at least 25 % the catches of juveniles of demersal species or at least 20 % of catches of spawners of all demersal species.

The Member State concerned shall notify to the Commission the list of the fishing vessels concerned by such an additional allocation of fishing days, as well as the related number of additional fishing days.

The Member State concerned shall also notify for every month to the Commission the effort deployed to be counted against this additional allocation , by using the specific reporting codes for this additional allocation (EFF1/MED1_TR1_AA, EFF1/MED1_TR2_AA, EFF1/MED1_TR3_AA, EFF1/MED1_TR4_AA and EFF2/MED1_TR1_AA, EFF2/MED1_TR2_AA, EFF2/MED1_TR3_AA, EFF2/MED1_TR4_AA).

The Member State concerned shall submit to the Commission, at the latest by 15 October, all available information related to the implementation of the measures referred to in points a), b), c) or d).

The overall 2% of the fishing effort shall be calculated from the maximum allowed effort allocation of the concerned fleet segment of the concerned Member State, as from 1 January 2022

(1) in the table relating to trawlers in Corsica Island, Ligurian Sea, Tyrrhenian Sea and Sardinia Island (GSAs 8-9-10-11) in point (b), footnote 4 is replaced by the following:

“(3) In addition to the above-mentioned maximum allowable fishing effort for trawlers, a Member State may grant to vessels flying its flag an additional allocation of fishing days within an overall 2 % of the fishing effort of that Member State for the fleet segment concerned.

A Member State may do so, provided that:

a) those vessels use a trawl net with 45 mm square mesh size codend in order to reduce by at least 25 % of catches of the juveniles of hake;

or

b) those vessels use a trawl net with mesh size codend of 50 mm square mesh size for deep water fisheries in order to reduce by at least 25 % of catches of blue and red shrimps less than 25 mm CL in geographical subareas 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 and to reduce by at least 25 % catches of giant red shrimps in the geographical subareas 8, 9, 10 and 11 less than 35 mm CL;

or

c) those vessels use a regulated highly selective gear, the technical specifications of which result in, according to the scientific study by STECF, at least a reduction of 25 % of juveniles or at least 20 % of catches of spawners of all demersal species compared to 2020;

or

d) the Member State concerned has adopted temporary closure areas in order to reduce by at least 25 % the catches of juveniles of demersal species or at least 20 % of catches of spawners of all demersal species.

The Member State concerned shall notify to the Commission the list of the fishing vessels concerned by such an additional allocation of fishing days, as well as the related number of additional fishing days.

The Member State concerned shall also notify for every month to the Commission the effort deployed to be counted against this additional allocation, by using the specific reporting codes for this additional allocation (EFF1/MED2_TR1_AA, EFF1/MED2_TR2_AA, EFF1/MED2_TR3_AA, EFF1/MED2_TR4_AA and EFF2/MED2_TR1_AA, EFF2/MED2_TR2_AA, EFF2/MED2_TR3_AA, EFF2/MED2_TR4_AA).

The Member State concerned shall submit to the Commission, at the latest by 15 October, all available information related to the implementation of the measures referred to in points a), b), c) or d).

The overall 2% of the fishing effort shall be calculated from the maximum allowed effort allocation of the concerned fleet segment of the concerned Member State, as from 1 January 2022