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- Consolidated version

Delegations will find attached a consolidated version of the above-mentioned Annexes.

Delegations are kindly asked to verify this consolidated version which includes the information provided in the form of a non-paper.

From this moment onwards, further comments should refer to this consolidated version.

N.B. For technical reasons, this document contains no track changes.

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.

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 is provided:

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

Table 1

Maximum number of fishing authorisations¹

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

Table 2

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

² In accordance with the temporal ban for red coral fisheries established in Spanish waters.

Maximum level of harvested quantities expressed in tonnes 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 (²)		
France	1,400		
Croatia	1,226		
Italy	1,378		
Union	5,848		
TAC	Not relevant		

ANNEX II

COMMON DOLPHINFISH IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA

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

The tables in this Annex sets out the maximum number, kw and GT of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for common dolphinfish in the Mediterranean Sea by using FADs 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:

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

(a) 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	797	67925,37	7203
Malta	130	16662	1296.28
Spain	45	2105,73	153,34

(b) 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	53

(c) 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	1174	(*)	Maximum level of catches	
Malta	517			
Spain	127			
Union	1818			
TAC	Not relevant			

(*) This quota may be fished only between 15 August and 31 December 2024 in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 2023/2124.

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 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.

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. Maximum allowable fishing effort in fishing days

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

- (a) Number of fishing days for trawlers 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	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	1507	0	0	EFF1/MED1_TR1	EFF1/MED1_TR1_AA
	≥ 12 m and < 18 m	16189	0	0	EFF1/MED1_TR2	EFF1/MED1_TR2_AA
	≥ 18 m and < 24 m	30375	3429	0	EFF1/MED1_TR3	EFF1/MED1_TR3_AA
	≥ 24 m	10698	4173	0	EFF1/MED1_TR4	EFF1/MED1_TR4_AA

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	0	0	0	EFF2/MED1_TR1	EFF2/MED1_TR1_AA
	≥ 12 m and < 18 m	759	0	0	EFF2/MED1_TR2	EFF2/MED1_TR2_AA
	≥ 18 m and < 24 m	7690	0	0	EFF2/MED1_TR3	EFF2/MED1_TR3_AA
	≥ 24 m	6173	0	0	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	< 12 m	0	139	1969	EFF1/MED2_TR1	EFF1/MED2_TR1_A

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 and < 18 m	0	556	29613	EFF1/MED2_TR2	EFF1/MED2_TR2_AA
	≥ 18 m and < 24 m	0	139	19915	EFF1/MED2_TR3	EFF1/MED2_TR3_AA
	≥ 24 m	0	139	2658	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 8, 9, 10 and 11	< 12 m	0	0	326	EFF2/MED2_TR1	EFF2/MED2_TR1_AA
	≥ 12 m and < 18 m	0	0	2402	EFF2/MED2_TR2	EFF2/MED2_TR2_AA
	≥ 18 m and < 24 m	0	0	1934	EFF2/MED2_TR3	EFF2/MED2_TR3_AA
	≥ 24 m	0	0	259	EFF2/MED2_TR4	EFF2/MED2_TR4_AA

(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	9433	6432	0	EFF1/MED1_LL1
	≥ 12 m and < 18 m	2148	93	0	EFF1/MED1_LL2
	≥ 18 m and < 24 m	74	0	0	EFF1/MED1_LL3
	≥ 24 m	29	0	0	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	0	1650	33187	EFF1/MED2_LL1
	≥ 12 m and < 18 m	0	51	4748	EFF1/MED2_LL2
	≥ 18 m and < 24 m	0	0	26	EFF1/MED2_LL3
	≥ 24 m	0	0	0	EFF1/MED2_LL4

2. Maximum catch limits for deep-water shrimps

- (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	754		
France	49		
Italy	0		
Union	803		
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	0		
France	9		
Italy	226		
Union	235		
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	0		
France	5		
Italy	330		
Union	335		

TAC	Not relevant	Maximum level of catches
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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.

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

Maximum level of catches expressed in tonnes live weight

Species:	Small pelagic species (anchovy and sardine) <i>Engraulis encrasicolus</i> and <i>Sardina pilchardus</i>	Zone:	Union and International waters of GFCM-GSAs 17 and 18 (SP1/GF1718)
Italy	30672 (*)		Maximum level of catches
Croatia	47139		
TAC	Not relevant		

(*) Concerning Slovenia, the quantities are based on the level of catches made 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 and 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 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. 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

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).

Gear type	Geographical area	Stocks concerned	Overall length of vessels	Effort group code	Fishing Days 2024		
					ITALY	CROATIA	SLOVENIA (*)
Trawls (OTB)	GFCM sub-areas 17 and 18	Red mullet; hake; deep-water rose shrimp; and Norway lobster	< 12 m	EFF/MED3_OTB_TR1	3098	9864	
			≥ 12 m and < 24 m	EFF/MED3_OTB_TR2	69625	22981	
			≥ 24 m	EFF/MED3_OTB_TR3	6100	2063	
Beam trawls (TBB)	GFCM sub-area 17	Common sole	< 12 m	EFF/MED3_TBB_TR1	194	0	0
			≥ 12 m and < 24 m	EFF/MED3_TBB_TR2	3635	0	0
			≥ 24 m	EFF/MED3_TBB_TR3	3614	0	0

(*) 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 and 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 trawls (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 trawls (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 STRAIT OF SICILY

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 demersal species and deep-water shrimps.

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 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, expressed in number of fishing days, for bottom trawl vessels targeting European hake (*Merluccius merluccius*) in Strait of Sicily (GSAs 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16)

Member State	Gear	Vessel Length	Effort group code	Fishing Days 2024
CYP	OTB	T-12	EFF4/MED4_OTB4	51
ITA	OTB	T-07	EFF4/MED4_OTB1	90
ITA	OTB	T-10	EFF4/MED4_OTB2	188
ITA	OTB	T-11	EFF4/MED4_OTB3	19 366

ITA	OTB	T-12	EFF4/MED4_OTB4	3 657
MLT	OTB	T-11	EFF4/MED4_OTB3	338
MLT	OTB	T-12	EFF4/MED4_OTB4	165

(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	1	Analytical catch limit
Italy	2083	
Malta	6	
Union	2090	
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	320	93 756	26 076
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	1	Analytical catch limit
Italy	844	
Cyprus	0	
Malta	36	
Union	881	
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	1	Precautionary catch limit
Italy	98	
Cyprus	0	
Malta	2	
Union	101	
TAC	Not relevant	

ANNEX VI

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

The tables in this Annex set out the maximum number of Union fishing vessels authorised to fish for demersal stocks in the Ionian Sea and the Levant Sea. 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	410	95 996	22 252
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	33	Analytical catch limit
Italy	303	
Malta	45	
Union	381	
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	14,5	Analytical catch limit
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Italy	242,5
Malta	0
Union	257
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	80	37 192	13 199

(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)
Italy	46,4	Precautionary catch limit
Cyprus	11,3	
Union	57,7	
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)
Italy	9	Precautionary catch limit
Cyprus	6	
Union	15	
TAC	Not relevant	

ANNEX VII

FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNION FISHING VESSELS IN THE ALBORAN SEA

(a) Maximum level of catches carried out by longlines and handlines, expressed in tonnes live weight

Species:	Blackspot seabream <i>Pagellus bogaraveo</i>	Zone: Union waters in the Alboran Sea – GSAs 1, 2 and 3 (SBR/GF1-3)
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Spain	29.76	Maximum level of catches
Union	29.76	
TAC	Not relevant	

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

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

ANNEX VIII

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	95	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	75		
Union	170 (*1)		
TAC	857		

(¹) No fishing activity, including transshipment, retaining on board, landing and first sale, shall be permitted from 15 April to 15 June 2024.