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to the

Commission Implementing Decision

**on the financing of the operational technical assistance in the framework of the
European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund and the adoption of the work
programme for 2022-2027**

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Work Programme for 2022-2027 for operational technical assistance in the framework of the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund (EMFAF)

1. LEGAL BASIS

Regulation (EU) 2021/1139 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 July 2021 establishing the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund and amending Regulation (EU) 2017/1004 and in particular Article 9 of thereof.

2. BUDGET LINE

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3. OBJECTIVES PURSUED

To facilitate the implementation of operational programmes.

4. EXPECTED RESULTS

To contribute to a more simple and transparent implementation of the EMFAF by Member States.

5. PROCUREMENT

The global budgetary envelope reserved for procurement contracts related to operational technical assistance at the initiative of the Commission in 2022 is EUR 4 572 871, in 2023 is EUR 5 074 352, in 2024 is EUR 5 177 575, in 2025 is EUR 5 378 153, in 2026 is EUR 5 576 014, in 2027 is EUR 5 671 091.

5.1. Fisheries and aquaculture monitoring, evaluation and local network support (FAME_NET), a Support Unit established under the European Maritime Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund (EMFAF) 2022-2027

General description of the contracts envisaged	Implementation of the service contract for the Support Unit for the European Fisheries Areas Network (FARENET II). This Support Unit is in charge of supporting the implementation of community-led local development in fisheries areas. Its task will be to provide capacity building to (Fisheries Local Action Groups) FLAGs and managing authorities, to disseminate information, exchange experience and good practice and to support cooperation between the local partnerships. The overall aim of FAME-NET Support Unit is to assist and support with implementation of two pillars: (a) Monitoring and evaluating the implementation of the EMFAF and providing the Commission with regular updates and analysis of the state of play of the implementation of the EMFAF. Support will be offered for capacity building across the Member States and in the Commission, on evaluation and monitoring methodologies, indicators and good practices will be provided. (b) Community-Led Local Development (hereafter CLLD) in
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	fisheries areas. Considering that CLLD can be supported by three European Structural and Investment Funds (ESI Funds) and the possibility for multi-funded strategies, fisheries areas may benefit from funds other than the EMFAF. Activities within this pillar will help ensure synergies and coordination with other ESI Funds. (c) Support the Member States and the Commission on activities carried out in the framework of the INFORM EU network. In 2027 DG MARE wishes to award a new contract through an open call for tenders to obtain support services that will replace the current contract.
Implementation	This action will be implemented by DG MARE.

5.2. IT services and supplies

General description of the contracts envisaged	Development, maintenance and hosting of IT applications, hardware and services to support the implementation of the EMFAF. The action will also cover corporate IT charges.
Implementation	This action will be implemented by DG MARE or through a co-delegation Type II to DG DIGIT, DG EMPL, DG REGIO and DG FISMA.

5.3. FI Compass – advisory platform

General description of the contracts envisaged	DG MARE's contribution to a Technical Assistance Platform (fi-compass) - to be delivered by the European Investment Bank (EIB) for the provision of assistance and advisory services framework for ESIF financial instruments.
Implementation	This action will be implemented through a co-delegation to DG REGIO on the basis of a (Service Level Agreement) SLA between DGs REGIO/MARE/EMPL and AGRI.

5.4. Training of the Managing, Certifying and Audit Authorities of the Member States

General description of the contracts envisaged	Training seminars for the Managing, Certifying and Audit Authorities of the Member States, on EMFAF Management and control systems to be provided using a relevant Framework Contract, at Commission premises in Brussels.
Implementation	This action will be implemented by DG MARE and DG REGIO through a co-delegation Type II.