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**1. GRANTS**

**1.1. BUDGET HEADING 11 06 62 04**

**ACCOMPANYING MEASURES FOR THE COMMON FISHERIES POLICY AND THE INTEGRATED MARITIME POLICY - GOVERNANCE AND COMMUNICATION**

**1.1.1. Advisory Councils (ACs)**

Type	Specific operating grant agreements under Framework Partnership Agreements
Legal basis	Proposal for a new regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the common fisheries policy COM(2011) 425 final, and in particular Article 54 (3) thereof.
Budget	€ 1 000 000
Description	<p>Advisory Councils (ACs) have the main function of advising the European Commission and the Member States on the management of fisheries and the socio-economic and conservation aspects of fisheries and aquaculture by submitting recommendations, suggestions or opinions.</p> <p>Public funding is needed to enable the ACs to function fully and provide the advice needed – failing this, there is a risk that the ACs would not be set up or at least would not be effective.</p> <p>The ACs which have acquired legal personality are given the possibility to apply for EU financial support as bodies pursuing an aim of general European interest within the meaning of Article 177(b) of the Rules of Application of the Financial Regulation.</p> <p>Given that the following ACs are bodies pursuing a general European interest, their running costs will be co- financed by the EU:</p> <p>Mediterranean AC: 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2014 Baltic Sea AC: 16 March 2014 to 15 March 2015 South Western Waters AC: 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2015 High Seas/Long Distance Fleet AC: 1 June 2014 to 31 May 2015</p>

Objectives and expected results	Improved management of the CFP by involving stakeholders active/interested in the fisheries and aquaculture issues covered by the ACs in policy-making and implementation. Relevant advice to the Commission on management issues relating to the fisheries and aquaculture covered by the ACs. Improved dialogue between the various parties affected by the CFP.
Cofinancing involved	For each of the 4 ACs, the co financing will be capped at € 250 000 (90%).
Approximate timetable	Throughout the year 2014 the Commission will sign with the ACs a specific grant agreement setting out the terms, detailed conditions and transfer arrangements for the operating grant. Framework Partnership Agreements will be signed with each of the ACs prior to the signature of the specific grant agreements.

## 2. OTHER ACTIONS

### 2.1. BUDGET HEADING 11 03 02

#### 2.1.1. Contributions to international organisations

Compulsory contributions by the European Union to the budgets of the international fisheries organisations and contribution by the European Community to the fisheries section of the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO).

**Subject:** European Union's active participation in international fisheries organisations responsible for the long-term conservation and sustainable exploitation of marine fisheries resources:

Legal basis:

- CCAMLR [Council Decision 81/691/EEC of 4 September 1981 on the conclusion of the Convention on the conservation of Antarctic marine living resources (OJ L 252, 5.9.1981, p. 26)],
- NASCO [Council Decision 82/886/EEC of 13 December 1982 concerning the conclusion of the Convention for the Conservation of Salmon in the North Atlantic Ocean (OJ L 378, 31.12.1982, p. 24)],
- ICCAT [Council Decision 86/238/EEC of 9 June 1986 on the accession of the Community to the International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, as amended by the Protocol annexed to the Final Act of the Conference of Plenipotentiaries of the States Parties to the Convention signed in Paris on 10 July 1984 (OJ L 162, 18.6.1986, p. 33)],
- NEAFC [Council Decision 81/608/EEC of 13 July 1981 concerning the conclusion of the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the North-East Atlantic Fisheries (OJ L 227, 12.8.1981, p. 21)],
- NAFO [Council Regulation (EEC) No 3179/78 of 28 December 1978 concerning the conclusion by the European Economic Community of the Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries (OJ L 378, 30.12.1978, p. 1)],

- IOTC [Council Decision 95/399/EC of 18 September 1995 on the accession of the Community to the Agreement for the establishment of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (OJ L 236, 5.10.1995, p. 24)],
- GFCM [Council Decision 98/416/EC of 16 June 1998 on the accession of the European Community to the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (OJ L 190, 4.7.1998, p. 34)],
- SEAFO (South-East Atlantic Fisheries Organisation) [Council Decision 2002/738/EC of 22 July 2002 on the conclusion by the European Community of the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Fishery Resources in the South-East Atlantic Ocean (OJ L 234, 31.8.2002, p. 39)],
- SIOFA (Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement) [Council Decision 2008/780/EC of 29 September 2008 on the signing, on behalf of the European Community, of the Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement (OJ L 268, 9.10.2008, p. 27)],
- Western Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC, ex-MHLC) [Council Decision 2005/75/EC of 26 April 2004 on the accession of the Community to the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean (OJ L 32, 4.2.2005, p. 1)],
- Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Programme (AIDCP) [Council Decision 2005/938/EC of 8 December 2005 on the approval on behalf of the European Community of the Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Programme (OJ L 348, 30.12.2005, p. 26)],
- Inter-American Tropical Tuna Convention (IATTC) [Council Decision 2006/539/EC of 22 May 2006 on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Community, of the Convention for the Strengthening of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission established by the 1949 Convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica (OJ L 224, 16.8.2006, p. 22)],
- South Pacific Regional Fisheries Organisation: [Council Decision of 3 October 2011 on the approval , on behalf of the European Union, of the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fishery Resources in the South Pacific Ocean (2012/130/EU), (OJ L 67, 6.3.2012, p.1)],
- CMS [Council Decision 82/461/EEC of 24 June 1982 on the conclusion of the Convention on the conservation of migratory species of wild animals (OJ L 210, 19.7.1982, p. 10–10)],
- Council Decision 98/392/EC of 23 March 1998 concerning the conclusion by the European Community of the United Nations Convention of 10 December 1982 on the Law of the Sea and the Agreement of 28 July 1994 relating to the implementation of Part XI thereof (OJ L 179, 23.6.1998, p. 1), in particular the Seabed Authority and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea. .

**Amount: € 4 400 000**

(estimated amounts – final amounts are subject to international negotiation)

CCAMLR	100 000
NASCO	240 000

ICCAT	1 100 000
NEAFC	480 000
NAFO	80 000
IOTC	500 000
GFCM	550 000
SEAFO	80 000
SIOFA	50 000
WCPFC	350 000
AIDCP	p.m.
IATTC	270 000
SPRFMO (*)	390 000
CMS (Convention Migratory Species)	10 000
International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea	100 000
Contribution to the International Sea-Bed Authority	100 000

\* SPRFMO operates on July-June budget basis. In 2014, the Commission will pay the second half of the annual contribution of 2013-2014, plus the contribution for the financial year 2014-2015.

## 2.2. BUDGET HEADING 11 06 64

### EUROPEAN FISHERIES CONTROL AGENCY (EFCA) – CONTRIBUTION TO TITLES 1, 2 AND 3.

**Legal basis:** Article 35(1) 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 (OJ L 128, 21.5.2005, p. 1).

**Subject:** The subsidy is intended to cover the Agency's staff and administrative expenditure and operating expenditure. The European Fisheries Control Agency was created by Council Regulation (EC) n° 768/2005 of 26 April 2005. Its mission is defined in Article 3. The agency has been operational since 2007. Its estimated budget for 2014 is conform to the draft budget proposed by the European Commission and shall be voted during the Board of Directors of 15 October 2013

**Amount:** € 9 217 150 (corresponding to an appropriation of € 8 716 900 and an amount of € 500 250 coming from the recovery of surplus).