EFCA PROMOTING FISHERIES COMPLIANCE

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EFCA’s Tasks

- EFCA coordinates the fisheries control joint operations of the Member States (MS) through the pooling of data and intelligence, joint risk analysis, inspection means and training of inspectors;
- EFCA, in cooperation with IMMA and Frontier, also assists the MS Authorities delivering missions falling under the European Coast Guard function;
- EFCA assists the European Commission by analyzing catch certificates and processing statements received from third countries, as well as background research in trade statistics, fleet composition, characteristics of the fishing industries, etc.;
- EFCA collaborates with the Regional fora of MS and supports them in the implementation of the Control regime applying to the Common Fisheries Policy;
- EFCA also assists Member States by providing training on the implementation of the IPPC. Unpermitted and unregulated fishing flag, access and developments in Core Curriculum for the training of Union inspectors, as well as for national fisheries inspectors;
- EFCA supports the Union in the international dimension of the CFP in the fight against IUU fishing and providing capacity building assistance to third countries.

Implementation of JDP and operational plans in EU Waters and International Waters

- Albacore
- Atlantic cod
- Atlantic herring
- Atlantic horse mackerel
- Bogue
- Bramish
- Common sole
- Deep sea species
- Deep-water rose shrimp
- Eastern Atlantic bluefin tuna
- European anchovy
- European hake
- European plaice
- European sprat
- Greater argentine
- Greenland halibut
- Haddock
- Hake
- Mackarel
- Mediterranean sea trout
- Northern prawn
- Norway lobster
- Norway pout
- Plaice dogfish
- Plaice
- Pollock
- Sandeels
- Sea trout
- Turbot
- Whiting
- World Tuna

Since the change to its founding regulation in 2016, EFCA supports national authorities carrying out coast guard functions one of the tasks in the framework of this cooperation are multipurpose operations sharing assets such as the EFCA’s chartered fisheries patrol vessel, the Lundy Sentinel.