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Abstract

EU provide a report on the implementation of SIOFA CMMs

SIOFA CMM IMPLEMENTATION REPORT 2017

EUROPEAN UNION

In accordance with its legislation, as signatory of the SIOFA Agreement, the EU is bound by the Conservation and Management measures adopted by the organisation. In the table below, information related to the implementation of applicable SIOFA provisions is summarized.

CMM	Title	Compliance requirement	Compliance (Y/N)	Comment
2017/01	Conservation and Management Measure for the Interim Management of Bottom Fishing in the SIOFA Agreement Area (Interim Management of Bottom Fishing)	No increase in fishing effort	Y	There was no increase in fishing effort in 2017
		Fishing days in 2017	Y	The EU vessels had more than 40 fishing days in a single year at the time of the adoption of the CMM. Accordingly the provisions of paragraph 9 (1) (a) of CMM 2017/07 were applied
		Footprint	Y	Longliners do not have a footprint but in practice, no new zone outside the established footprint was fished
		Observer coverage	Y	EU (ES) provided for 40% observer coverage
		Changes as to the applicable rules for VMEs encounters	Y	No changes

		Vessel position reporting	Y	VMS reports submitted to the Secretariat
2017/02	Exchange of Data relating to fishing activities in the Agreement Area (Data Standards):	Vessel catch and effort data	Y	Vessel catch and effort data submitted
		Observer data	Y	EU (ES) observer data submitted
2017/07	Conservation and Management Measure for Vessel Authorisation and Notification to Fish (Vessel Authorisation)	Vessel authorisation	N	Digital images from two vessels are missing. They will be provided shortly.
2017/08	Conservation and Management Measure establishing a Port Inspection Scheme (Port Inspection)	Designation of ports	Y	Notified to the Secretariat
		Port inspections	N/A	No foreign vessel that has engaged in fishing in the Agreement Area entered any EU ports
2017/09	Conservation and Management Measure for Control of fishing activities in the Agreement Area (Control)	Cooperation and contact points	Y	Posted on SIOFA website
		Vessel requirements	Y	The requirements of the vessel licences and fishing authorisations in compliance with CMM 2017/09 are provided for in Articles 6 and 7 of the Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 establishing a Community control

			<p>system for ensuring compliance with the rules of the common fisheries policy ('the EU control Regulation'): https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A32009R1224</p> <p>The provisions on the marking and identification of EU fishing vessels in compliance with CMM 2017/09 are set out in Article 6 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 404/2011 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 establishing a Community control system for ensuring compliance with the rules of the Common Fisheries Policy ('the EU control implementing Regulation'): https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX:32011R0404</p>
		Marking of fixed fishing gears	<p>Y</p> <p>The marking of fixed fishing gears in compliance with CMM 2017/09 is established in Section 2 of the EU control implementing Regulation</p>
		Retrieval of lost/abandoned fishing gear	<p>N/A</p> <p>No fishing gear reported as lost/abandoned</p>
		Labelling of fish products	<p>Y</p> <p>Compliance with SIOFA provisions on labelling of fishery products is established in Article 58 of the EU control Regulation</p>

		Observers program	Yes	EU (ES) had an observer programme in place from 16/09/2017 to 27/02/2018
		Any sightings of non-CPC vessels?	Yes	Transmitted to the Secretariat
2017/10	Conservation and Management Measure for the Monitoring of Fisheries in the Agreement Area (Monitoring)	Information on fishing activities	Y	The completion and submission of the fishing logbook in accordance CMM 2017/10 is provided in Articles 15 and 16 of the EU control Regulation
		VMS	Y	Compliance with the SIOFA VMS provisions is set out through Article 9 of the EU Control Regulation. VMS is compulsory for all EU vessels above 12 meters
		Monitoring of transhipments at sea	N/A	No EU vessels transhipped or received transhipments at sea
2016/03	Conservation and Management Measure for Data Confidentiality and Procedures for access and use of data (Data Confidentiality)		Y	Full respect to the provisions of CMM 2016/03
2016/04	Conservation and Management Measure on Vessels without Nationality (Vessels without Nationality)		Y	No reported sightings of vessels without nationality

2016/05	Conservation and Management Measure regarding the use of large-scale pelagic driftnets and deepwater gillnets in the Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement Area (Pelagic Driftnets and Deepwater Gillnets)		Y	The use of large scale pelagic driftnets and deepwater gillnets is banned by EU vessels by Council Regulation (EEC) No 345/92 of 27 January 1992 amending for the eleventh time Regulation (EEC) No 3094/86 laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources; Council Regulation (EC) No 809/2007 of 28 June 2007 amending Regulations (EC) No 894/97, (EC) No 812/2004 and (EC) No 2187/2005 and Council Regulation No 734/2008 of 15 July 2008 on the protection of vulnerable marine ecosystems in the high seas from the adverse impacts of bottom fishing gears which has served to ensure EU vessels undertaking bottom fishing respected the measures contained in the UN GA Resolutions 61/105 and 64/72 in areas beyond national jurisdiction where there is no RFMO
2016/06	Conservation and Management Measure on the Listing of IUU Vessels (IUU List)	Overall status	Y	In line with EU Council Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008 of 29 September 2008 establishing a Community system to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing