# Bluefin Tuna 2013 Joint Deployment Plan

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## Joint Deployment Plans (JDPs)



The vehicle through which the EFCA organizes the deployment of the national means of inspection and control pooled by the Member States.

To date, JDPs have been adopted covering fisheries in:

- Baltic Sea
- North Sea and Western Waters
- Mediterranean and Eastern Atlantic
- NAFO and NEAFC Regulatory Areas.



### JDPs - Why



By organizing the best use of human and material resources pooled by MS, we promote:

- Uniformity and effectiveness of control
- Increased transparency
- Level playing field for the fishing industry
- Cost effective/efficient use of inspection and control resources



### **BFT JDP - Objectives**



Ensure operational coordination of joint control, inspection and surveillance activities by EU Member States to:

- Support an effective and uniform implementation of the recovery plan and associated ICCAT/EU provisions.
- Facilitate evaluation of compliance of these provisions both inside/outside of EU



### **BFT JDP – Scope and strategy**



Control and inspection at sea in the ICCAT Convention Area (SJII), EU waters and ashore based on a risk assessment approach:

- BFT fishing and support activities.
- Landings, transfers, transports, transshipments, processing, marketing and exports.
- Farming activities.



# Harmonization of procedures and support



- 'Training of trainers' workshops
- Harmonization of inspection procedures checklists and common curriculum
- Common data collection, exchange and reporting mechanisms
- Missions of EFCA coordinators
- **Exchange of inspectors**
- **Technical support**



### **BFT JDP - Coordination**



#### **Steering Group:**

- Representatives of participating MSs + EC
- Chaired by EFCA
- Overall coordination
- Supervises JDP implementation

#### **Technical Joint Deployment Group:**

- Composed of National coordinators designated by MS + EFCA coordinators
- Based in EFCA premises
- Day to day operational coordination



### **BFT JDP - Pooled Means**



#### Number of deployed means (provisional figures):

High Seas Patrol Vessels	8
Coastal Patrol Vessels	26
Airplanes/Helicopters	11

#### Number of means deployed by area:

	Western Med.	Central Med.	Eastern Med.	Eastern Atl.
High Seas Patrol Vessels	4	3	1	1
Coastal Patrol Vessels	8	9	11	-
Airplanes/Helicopters	5	3	4	-



# BFT JDP – Activities by FAO Subarea



	Western Med.	Central Med.	Eastern Med.	Eastern Atl.	Total
Ashore (days)	36	40	30	35	141
Sea (days)	64	58	9	10	141
Flights	18	20	11	-	49

provisional figures



### **BFT JDP – Potential non-compliance**



- Vessels engaged in the capture, transfer and transport of live bluefin tuna as well as longliners generally account for most of the potential non-compliance
- Most of them related to documentation issues and technical measures
- Documentation: Logbook and daily logs, ITDs, BCDs, videos
- Technical measures: Mostly by-catch tolerances



### **Conclusions**



- JDPs are an efficient and effective mechanism to deploy and coordinate national control resources
- They continue to improve the uniformity and effectiveness of control measures
- They contribute to the quality of control and inspection activities
- Risk assessment requires precise and adaptable planning
- Training and exchange of experiences are a key issue.



