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**To:** DCF National Correspondents  
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**Subject:** **Call for economic data on the fish processing sector  
 concerning 2008-2015**

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**Message:**

Dear Sir/Madam,

As foreseen in the Council Regulation No 2017/1004, the Commission herewith asks Member States to provide aggregated scientific data from within their National Data Collection programs to support scientific advice in EU fisheries.

The data will be processed and analysed by JRC and STECF<sup>1</sup> experts to produce the "Economic Performance of EU fish processing sector: Annual Report 2017".

We are asking for the same variables as requested in the previous economic data call, in particular:

Income (turnover, subsidies and other income), personnel costs (wages and salaries of staff and imputed value of unpaid labour), energy costs, raw material costs, other operational costs, capital costs (depreciation of capital and financial costs), extraordinary costs, capital value, net investments, debt, employment (number of persons employed by gender and FTE National) and number of enterprises pertaining to the years 2008 - 2015 for the EU fish processing industry, as totals and under the following size categories (<=10 employees; seg.2 = enterprises with 11-49 employees; seg.3 = enterprises with 50-249 employees; seg.4 = enterprises with >=250 employees).

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<sup>1</sup> The dedicated STECF expert working group will take place from 15 to 19 January 2018.

Furthermore, we request data on number of enterprises and turnover attributed to fish processing, pertaining to years 2008-2015 for enterprises that carry out fish processing but not as a main activity.

If Member States collected data at segments level is not mandatory, they are invited to provide it during the data call.

Member States should follow the agreed procedure for transmission of data (by uploading data onto the JRC server) and abide to the data handling procedures for STECF Expert Working Groups (Ref. Ares(2015)498884 - 06/02/2015).

Full details of all the parameters, aggregation levels and uploading instructions for this call can be found on the JRC data collection website: <https://datacollection.jrc.ec.europa.eu/data-calls>

Data templates are available on the JRC data collection website for downloading and should be used to submit the data requested under the current data call. Each Member State requires a password in order to submit data. These passwords remain unchanged from the previous call for economic data. Member States who no longer have a record of their password, should contact the JRC data submission team by emailing [jrc-datasubmission@ec.europa.eu](mailto:jrc-datasubmission@ec.europa.eu).

In addition, the JRC data submission team can be contacted for guidance by emailing [jrc-datasubmission@ec.europa.eu](mailto:jrc-datasubmission@ec.europa.eu)

In order to improve the effectiveness of this data call, and on voluntary basis, MS will be able to authorise the JRC to re-use datasets submitted in the previous fish processing data call provided that they are complete. In this case, the MS will not need to submit again the same datasets.

### **Time schedule**

As per Article 17 of Council Regulation (EC) No 2017/1004, Member States are kindly requested to supply the data as specified within **1 month** from receipt of this request for data.

We look forward to your cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Bernhard FRIESS