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## EMAIL

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**Subject:** **2024 Data call for economic, energy consumption, employment, effort and landings datasets on the EU fishing fleets**

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Dear Sir/Madam,

As stipulated in Regulation (EU) 2017/1004<sup>1</sup>, 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. In particular, this data call will support the production of the 2024 Annual Economic Report of the EU fishing fleets as well as the economic analysis of policy proposals under the CFP, and support ad-hoc requests on socio-economic analysis.

The economic data requested refer to 2022, while previous years (2008-2021) shall be submitted or resubmitted as full annual data sets in cases where the already submitted data are considered incomplete or require correction. Table 1 in the annex gives an overview of the requested datasets. Please note that the years requested for each parameter type vary depending on expected availability.

The theoretical maximum number of days at sea is again requested at the fleet segment level by supra region. This parameter is required to estimate the technical indicator *Vessel Use*, as described in the Commission Services Guidelines for the assessment of the balance between fishing capacity and fishing opportunities. Additionally, employment in full-time equivalent (FTE national) and two additional effort variables (GT days at sea and kW days at sea) are requested to allow for continued time-series and regional analyses. Please note that the submission of these data is not compulsory under the EU-MAP but is highly recommended on a voluntary basis.

The Member States are kindly requested to follow up on discrepancies in effort and landing data reported by the STECF [EWG 23-10 Fisheries Dependent Information](#), in particular in section 3.5.1, 3.5.2 and 3.5.3. Member States should follow the agreed procedure for

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 157, 20.6.2017, p. 1.

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). Deadlines for data submission and/or re-submission, where relevant, will be observed in line with the recommendations provided by STECF. Full details of all the parameters, aggregation levels and uploading instructions for this call can be found on the JRC data collection website: <https://def.ec.europa.eu/data-calls>

Data templates are available on the website for downloading and should be used to submit the data requested under the current data call, as well as to resubmit data for any of the previous years (2008-2021). 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 a voluntary basis, MS will be able to:

- Authorise the JRC to re-use datasets submitted in last year's economic data call provided that they are complete. In this case, the MS will not need to submit again the same datasets.
- Provide data for fleet segments operating in outermost regions and fleets operating exclusively in non-EU waters, distinguishing these from mainland fleet segments by using the 'Geographical Indicator'.
- Provide clustered data for those fleet segments with a low number of fishing vessels that would prevent the submission of data by fleet segment.
- Provide data using the 'Gear' and 'Fishery' dimensions to differentiate between fleet segments using the same gear-type or operating within a specific fishery.
- Similarly, provide data using the new "Activity level" dimension to differentiate the vessels with low activity in a fleet segment from the rest of the vessels in the segment.

The Commission reminds the Member States that the data submitted under this call are used for various policy analyses, including the fleet report assessment. Therefore, the coverage and the quality of the data are crucial for the policy implementation.

### **Time schedule**

As per Article 17 of Regulation (EU) 2017/1004, Member States are kindly requested to supply the data as specified by 28 February. We cannot guarantee that late data submissions may be fully considered for the 2024 Annual Economic Report of the EU fishing fleets.

We look forward to your cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

*(e-signed)*  
Delilah AL KHUDHAIRY

# ANNEX

Table 1. Fleet economic data call contents

Variable group	Variable	Unit	Years	Aggregation level	Other requested fields	AR support fields**
<b>Number of fishing enterprises/units</b>	1 owned vessel	Number	2022-2023	Yearly, by: 1) National totals		
	2-5 owned vessels					
	>5 owned vessels					
<b>Employment</b>	Engaged crew	Number	2022		Sampling Strategy, Achieved Sample Rate, Coefficient of Variation	Data source, Response rate
	Unpaid labour					
	FTE national**					
	Total hours worked per year	Hour				
<b>Income</b>	Gross value of landings	Euro	2022-2023*	Yearly, by: 1) Fleet segment and Supra-region 2) National totals	(for national totals, only achieved sample rate is requested)	Geographical Indicator at fleet segment level
	Income from leasing out quota or other fishing rights		2022			
	Other income					
<b>Subsidies</b>	Operating subsidies	Euro	2022			
	Subsidies on investments					
<b>Labour costs</b>	Personnel costs	Euro	2022			
	Value of unpaid labour					
<b>Energy costs</b>	Energy costs	Euro	2022			
<b>Repair &amp; maintenance costs</b>	Repair and maintenance costs	Euro	2022			
<b>Other operating costs</b>	Other variable costs	Euro	2022			
	Other non-variable costs					
	Lease/rental payments for quota or other fishing rights					
<b>Capital costs</b>	Consumption of fixed capital	Euro	2022			
<b>Capital value</b>	Value of physical capital	Euro	2022			
	Value of quota and other fishing rights					
<b>Investment</b>	Investments in tangible assets	Euro	2022			
<b>Financial position</b>	Long/short debt	Euro	2022			
<b>Fleet Capacity</b>	Number of vessels	Number	2022-2023	Yearly, by: 1) Fleet segment and Supra-region 2) National totals	Geographical Indicator at fleet segment level	Frame population, Survey name (at fleet segment level only)
	Mean LOA of vessels	Metre				
	Total vessel tonnage	GT				

	Total vessel power	kW				
	Mean age of vessels	Year				
<b>Effort</b>	Fishing days	Day	2022-2023*	Yearly, by: 1) Fleet segment and Supra-region	Sampling Strategy, Achieved Sample Rate, Coefficient of Variation	Data source, Response rate  (at fleet segment level only)
	Days at sea					
	kW Fishing days	kWday	2022	2) (1) + FAO area level 4 for the Baltic), GFCM-GSA for the Mediterranean & Black Sea and FAO area level 3 for all other regions)		
	GT Fishing days	GTday				
	kW days at sea**	kWday				
	GT days at sea**	GTday				
	Energy Consumption	Litre	2022	Yearly, by: 1) Fleet segment and Supra-region 2) National totals		
	Number of fishing trips	Number				
	Maximum days at sea**	Day	2022	Yearly, by: 1) Fleet segment and Supra-region		
<b>Landings per species</b>	Live weight of landings per species	kg	2022-2023*	Yearly, by: 1) Fleet segment and Supra-region, FAO area level 4 (Baltic), GFCM-GSA (Mediterranean & Black Sea), FAO area level 3 (All other regions) 2) National totals		
	Value of landings per species	Euro				
<b>Recreational Catches</b>	Weight of catch	kg	2018-2023*	Yearly, by: 1) Region (level 2)		

\* 2023 data not mandatory but requested where possible in order to estimate economic projections for 2023. These data, when provided, will be flagged as preliminary in the 2024 Annual Fleet Economic Report and corresponding data tables.

\*\* Not mandatory / requested on a voluntary basis.