



EU Budget for the future

# European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF)

Based on COM proposal

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# Financial framework



# BUDGET AND ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES

- Proposed budget for 2021-2027: **EUR 6.140 billion** in current price
- Shared management: EUR 5.311 billion (86.5%)
- Direct management: EUR 829 million (13.5%)
- **MT allocation: EUR 21.825.290**
- Definition of national allocations under shared management based on the 2014-2020 shares

# Delivering on the objectives of the CFP and maritime policy



# EMFF OBJECTIVES

## 4 priorities:

1. Fostering sustainable fisheries and the conservation of marine biological resources
2. Contributing to food security in the Union through competitive and sustainable aquaculture and markets
3. Enabling the growth of a sustainable blue economy and fostering prosperous coastal communities
4. Strengthening international ocean governance and enabling safe, secure, clean and sustainably managed seas and oceans



# SUPPORTING THE OBJECTIVES OF THE CFP

- Support for all the objectives of the CFP: environmental, economic, social and employment (Article 2 of the CFP Regulation)
- **Environmental dimension:** conservation policy, fleet management
- **Economic and employment dimension:** competitiveness of the sector, job creation
- **Social dimension:** health and safety on board, development of skills, diversification of activities
- Ring-fenced amounts for **control** and **data collection**
- Possible synergies with other funds

# CONSISTENCY WITH THE COMMON FISHERIES POLICY

- **Compliance** of Member States and operators with the rules of the CFP
- List of **ineligible operations** to ensure consistency with the CFP (construction of new vessels, operation that increased ability to catch fish, capacity enhancing investments etc.)
- **Sea basin analyses**: guidance for the preparation of programmes (consistency with conservation objectives)
- New delivery system based on **conditions and results** ('financing not linked to costs'): specific conditions for fleet-related operations (i.e. permanent & extraordinary cessation, engine replacement etc.)
- Strengthened **performance dialogue** between the Commission and Member States (annual performance reports, annual review meeting)



# SUPPORTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LANDING OBLIGATION

- Landing obligation fully in force in 2019
- Low uptake of available support under the current EMFF
- Strengthened support post 2020 (up to 75% of public aid)
- Key challenges:
  - **Improvement of selectivity**
  - **Equipment of ports**
  - **Marketing of unwanted catches**



# PREFERENTIAL SUPPORT FOR SMALL-SCALE COASTAL FISHING

**Definition:** vessels below 12m and not using towed gears

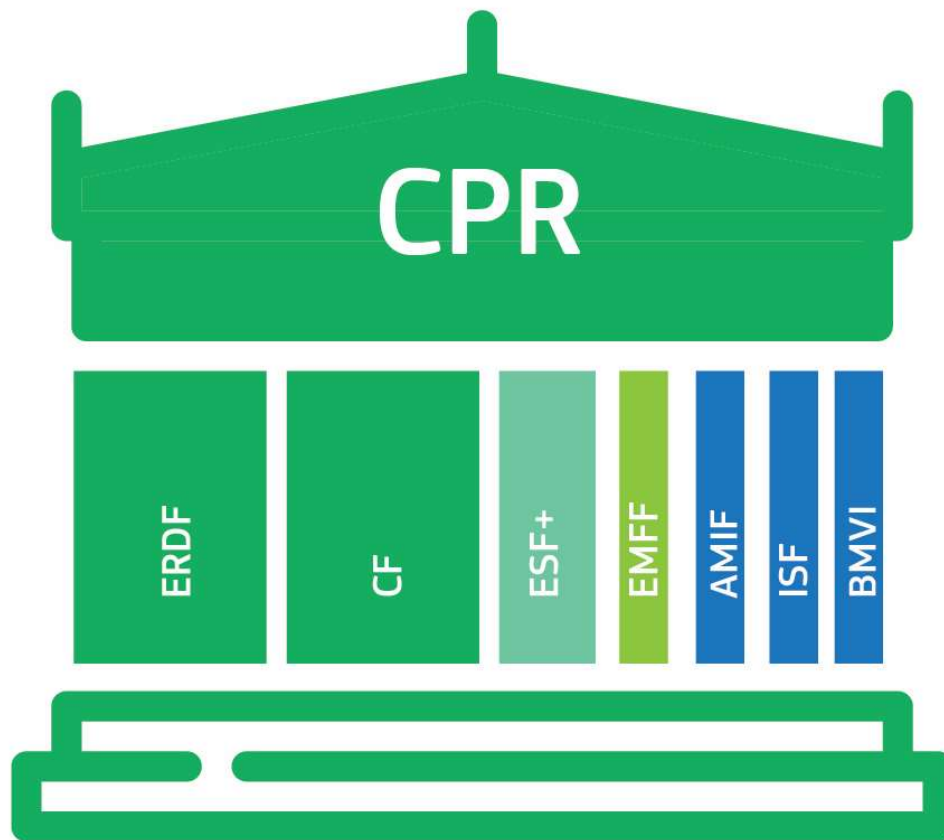
## **Preferential support:**

- Maximum 100% of public aid
- Reserved areas of support: engine replacement/modernisation, acquisition of a second-hand vessel by a young fisherman – only in balanced fleet segments
- National action plans for small-scale coastal fishing

# Simplification and flexibility



# A 'COMMON PROVISIONS' REGULATION (CPR)



A common rulebook for the implementation of funds:

- More coherent
- More strategic
- Simpler



# COMMON POLICY OBJECTIVES FOR UNION FUNDS



11 objectives simplified and consolidated to 5:

1. A smarter Europe (innovative & smart economic transformation)
2. A greener, low-carbon Europe (including energy transition, green and blue investments, the circular economy, climate adaptation and risk management)
3. A more connected Europe (mobility and ICT connectivity)
4. A more social Europe (the European Pillar of Social Rights)
5. A Europe closer to citizens (sustainable development of urban, rural and coastal areas and local initiatives)



**From 6 to 4 EMFF  
Priorities**



# A COMMON RULE BOOK FOR SHARED MANAGEMENT

- Common rules on programming
- Coordination under the Partnership Agreement
- Possible transfers accross funds
- Common approach as regards the performance framework
- Common implementing rules (monitoring committee, managing authority, forms of support, audit, etc.)
- Common rules on financial instruments, CLLD, technical assistance, etc.

# A MORE FLEXIBLE EMFF ARCHITECTURE: NO MORE MEASURES

## 2014-2020

- Prescriptive measures (rigid description of eligibility rules in the Regulation)
- Straight jacket for Member States and beneficiaries
- Many interpretation questions

## 2021-2027

- No predefined measures at EU level
- Broad 'areas of support' describing the scope of the fund
- List of ineligible and conditional operations (consistency with the CFP)
- Flexibility for Member States in the setting of eligibility rules

# PERFORMANCE, MONITORING AND EVALUATION

- Discontinuation of the performance reserve
- Performance framework based on output and result indicators at programme level (milestones and targets to be set) – to be established by delegated act
- Annual performance reports
- Regular transmission of financial data by Member States
- Structured and dynamic policy dialogue between the Commission and Member States in the annual review meeting

# SUMMARY OF AREAS OF SUPPORT

PRIORITY	AREA OF SUPPORT	MAXIMUM CO-FINANCING RATE
1	Article 14(1): Achievement of the environmental, economic, social and employment objectives of the CFP	75%
1	Article 16: Investments in small-scale coastal fishing vessels	75%
1	Article 17(1): Management of fisheries and fishing fleets	75%
1	Article 17(2): Permanent cessation of fishing activities	50%
1	Article 18: Extraordinary cessation of fishing activities	50%
1	Article 19: Control and enforcement	85%
1	Article 20: Collection and processing of data for fisheries management and scientific purposes	85%
1	Article 21: Compensation for additional costs in the outermost regions for fishery and aquaculture products	100%
1	Article 22: Protection and restoration of marine biodiversity and ecosystems	85%
2	Article 23: Aquaculture	75%
2	Article 24: Marketing of fishery and aquaculture products	75%
2	Article 25: Processing of fishery and aquaculture products	75%
3	Article 26: Community-led local development	75%
3	Article 27: Marine knowledge	75%
4	Article 28: Maritime surveillance	75%
4	Article 29: Coastguard cooperation	75%
	Technical assistance	75%



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