Promoting sustainable fisheries in the EU

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Marine Strategy Framework Directive

1. biodiversity
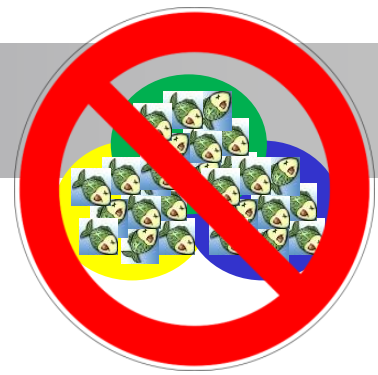
3. commercial fish

4. food webs

6. sea-floor integrity

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Common Fisheries Policy

- **MSY**

- **Regionalization**

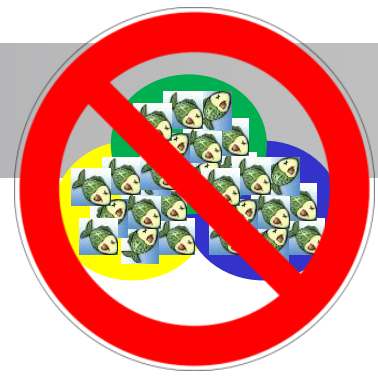- **Landing Obligation**

Reduce unwanted catch

TAC & MLS species
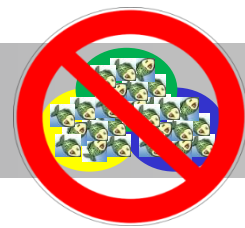
Restricted to 30% discards

Species/fisheries from 2015

LO implementation

1. Changing fishing patterns

2. Increase selectivity

3. Improve discard survival

4. Diversify uses

5. Effective at-sea monitoring

Research on the LO…

- **DISCARDLESS** - Strategies for the gradual elimination of discards in European fisheries

- **MINOUW** - Science, technology and society initiative to minimize unwanted catches in European fisheries

- **LIFE iSEAS** - Knowledge-Based Innovative Solutions to Enhance Adding-Value Mechanisms towards Healthy and Sustainable EU Fisheries

- **LANDMED** - Implications of the implementation of the Landing Obligation provisions in small pelagic fisheries in the Mediterranean
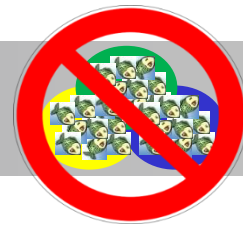
- **BE-FAIR** - Benign and environmentally friendly fish processing practices to provide added value and innovative solutions for a responsible and sustainable management of fisheries

- **FAROS** - Integral Networking of Fishing Sector Actors to Organize a Responsible, Optimal and Sustainable Exploitation of Marine Resources

- **FISHFERMPLUS** - Added-value bioprocessing for FISH raw materials via low-cost FERMentation technologies delivering a PLUS in the sustainable production, consumer safety and quality of highly sensitive fish products

- **BIOTECMAR** - Biotechnological exploitation of marine products and

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DiscardLess

Fisheries Improvement Projects - FIPs

- alliance of stakeholders

✓ resolve problems

✓ improve aspect
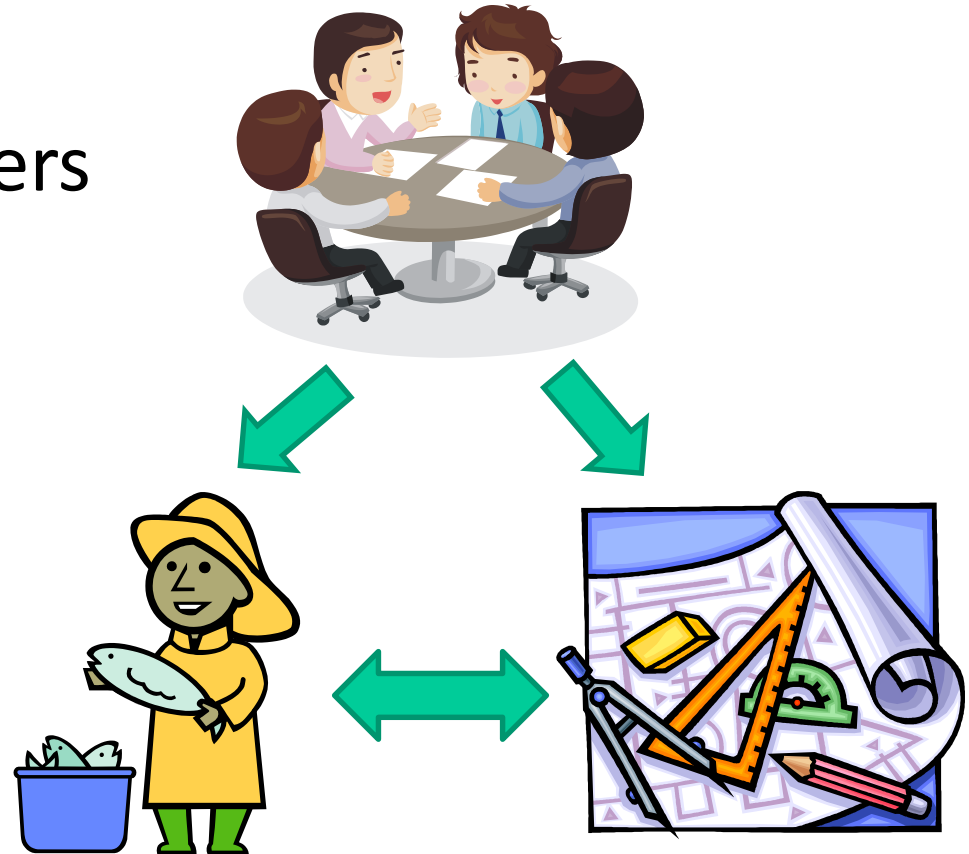
(population, environmental, management)

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FLAG examples

- Development of seal-safe trap-nets in the Lake Saimaa area (East Finland FLAG)

- Télécapêche: an e-technology monitoring system (Auray-Vannes FLAG, France)

- Characterize the discards generated by the artisanal fleet from Ría de Pontevedra (Ria de Pontevedra FLAG, Galicia, Spain)

- Trialling more selective lobster pots (Holderness FLAG, UK)

Thank You!

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