



*Update on the state of play of Data Collection  
Framework (DCF):  
EU Multiannual Program (EU MAP) and  
National Work Plans for data collection*

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## What is an EU-MAP

The **multiannual EU programme** for the collection and management of biological, environmental, technical and socioeconomic data in the fisheries and aquaculture sectors, based on the DCF regulation EU 2017/1004 (recast)

## The EU MAP

Contains:

- Definitions not defined elsewhere (CFP, DCF, CR, EMFF)
- Basic principles on data quality
- Detailed data requirements (in line with the CFP)
- Thresholds for mandatory data collection and research surveys at sea

## The EU MAP

Does **not** contain:

- Methodologies - how to collect data: in **Work Plans**
- Details that may vary frequently or by sea basin: decided/published by RCGs to be put in **Work Plans**

The **Work Plan** provides the template for planning of data collection activities: **what** to sample (**EU MAP**) and **how** to sample



# EU-MAP update

## *(COM Implementing Decision 2016/1251)*

COM has worked in a 2-step approach during 2019-2020:

*Step 1. Renewal of current EU-MAP provisions*

*Step 2. Revision of EU-MAP*

+ Work Plan template to follow soon after the EU-MAP contents have been stabilized

## Step 1. Renewal of current EU-MAP provisions

Legal requirements under the new DCF (Reg. 2017/1004):

The EU-MAP needs to be split into:

- a COM Delegated Act (EP and Council scrutiny on biological, environmental and socio-economic data for two months after adoption)
- a COM Implementing Act (thresholds for data collection and list of surveys. No need of scrutiny by EP and Council)

*Both the EU-MAP renewal and revision will need to abide by this split.*

## Step 1. Renewal of current EU-MAP provisions

The renewed EU-MAP is split into:

*COMMISSION DELEGATED DECISION (EU) 2019/910 of 13 March 2019 establishing the multiannual Union programme for the collection and management of biological, environmental, technical and socioeconomic data in the fisheries and aquaculture sectors*

*COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2019/909 of 18 February 2019 establishing the list of mandatory research surveys and thresholds for the purposes of the multiannual Union programme for the collection and management of data in the fisheries and aquaculture sectors*

*Both acts are in force between 2020-2021 but can be repealed earlier (in 2021) if the adoption of the EU-MAP revision is finalised during 2020. The aim is to have the revised EU-MAP in force as of 2021.*

## Step 2. Revision of EU-MAP

The aim to **preserve the core requirements** of the EU-MAP and to make adjustments on a case by case basis, as well as to ‘convert’ pilot studies into data collection requirements.

The EU-MAP revision involves:

- stakeholder consultation among which end users of data and the Regional Coordination Groups - RCGs (for biological data) and the Planning Group for Economics – PGECON (for socio-economic data).
- STECF evaluation
- preparation of draft Commission decisions
- legal proceedings to adopt the revised EU-MAP DA and IA as well as the WP template (minimum of 9 months)



## Step 2. Revision of EU-MAP

November 2018: first brainstorming during the [STECF EWG 18-18](#) on *Evaluation of Work Plans & Data Transmission failures* based on the results of an ad hoc contract summarizing existing recommendations for revision

December 2018: consultation of RCGs, PGECON and main end users (eg. ICES, STECF, RFMOs) on necessary changes on the EU-MAP – final replies received end June 2019, processed through an ad hoc contract.

July – September 2019: MARE consultation on the draft contract results

September 2019: Liaison and National Correspondents Meeting (3-5 & 6 September) [STECF EWG 19-12](#) on *Revision of the EU Multiannual Plan for data collection (EU-MAP) after 2020* (16 – 20 September) – [STECF November Plenary](#)



## **STECF EWG 19-12 on EU MAP revision (16 - 20 September, Brussels)**

The EWG reviewed all input received so far (previous EWGs, stakeholders, COM) and using as a basis the new DCF legal framework (Reg. 2017/1004), provided conclusions and suggested approaches on:

- EU MAP content including DA and IA
- Work Plan template content

## National Work Plans for 2020 and onwards (COM Implementing Decision 2016/1701)

**Current** Work Plans applicable until end 2019 – new WPs needed as of 2020

For **2020-2021** the current WP template applies and MS have to submit a WP by October 31<sup>st</sup> 2019, to be followed by STECF evaluation and COM adoption

For **2022 and onwards** a new revised WP template will be adopted. If the new EU-MAP is adopted already in 2020, the new WP template will also be adopted and applicable as of the same date.



Any questions?

Thank you for your attention