IFDM Recommendation 118 of 02-07-2021

on the CR Fishing Category and the FAR Fishing Category code lists

The Fisheries Control Experts Group – ERS (Electronic Recording and reporting System) and Data Management Working group,

Taking into account that:

- (1) the content of the CR Fishing Category and the FAR Fishing Category code lists are available on MDR¹.
- (2) a new Protocol to the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Seychelles has been agreed and will be applied from July 2021.
- (3) existing fishing category codes for the previous protocols are no longer in line with the coding principles of the code lists.
- (4) modifications to the current CR Fishing Category and FAR Fishing Category code lists are needed for handling of Member States' aggregated catch data in the ACDR system and fishing authorisations data in the Licence system.

Recommends:

- 1. to add the new codes in both CR Fishing Category and the FAR Fishing Category code lists with the validity start date of 01/07/2021:
 - a. GAB_TUX_LH (Gabon fishing category (pole and line tuna vessels));
 - b. GAB_TUX_PS (Gabon fishing category (freezer tuna seiners));
 - c. GAB_CRU_OT_EXPERIM (Shrimps and crabs experimental fisheries for trawlers in the waters of Gabon).
- 2. to add a new code 'GAB_SV' (Gabon fishing category for support vessels) in the FAR Fishing Category code list with the validity start date of 01/07/2021.
- 3. to remove the old codes from both CR Fishing Category and the FAR Fishing Category code lists with the validity End date of 23/07/2016:
 - a. GAB LP;
 - b. GAB SP.
- 4. to apply changes and start using the new codes in the ACDR and the Licence systems from 2 July 2021.

¹ MDR Europa: https://ec.europa.eu/fisheries/cfp/control/codes_en