



The FAO Global Record of Fishing Vessels: A tool for the EU to champion fisheries transparency globally

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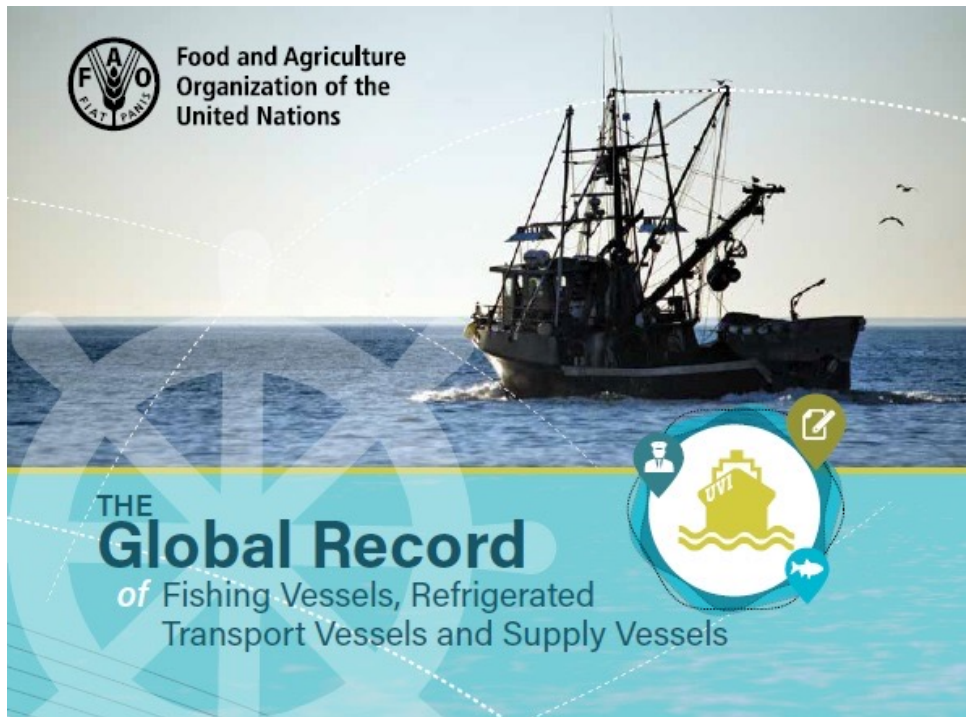
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What is the FAO Global Record?



WHO?

FAO

“combat IUU fishing by enhancing transparency and traceability”

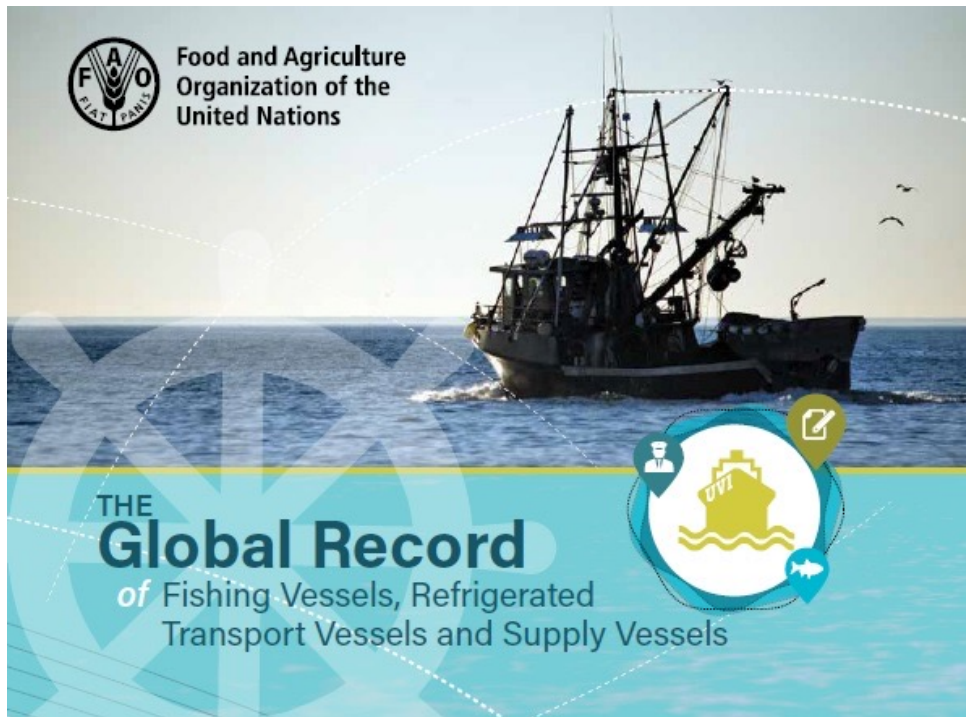
State Authorities

“enhance food security and the livelihoods of populations depending on fisheries, including rural coastal populations”

Regional Fisheries
Management
Organisations
(RFMOs)

Civil Society

What is the FAO Global Record?



WHAT?

Vessel details

Historical details

Authorisation
Details

Inspection and
surveillance

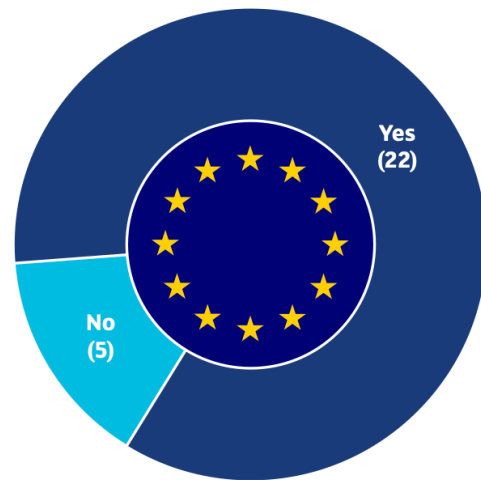
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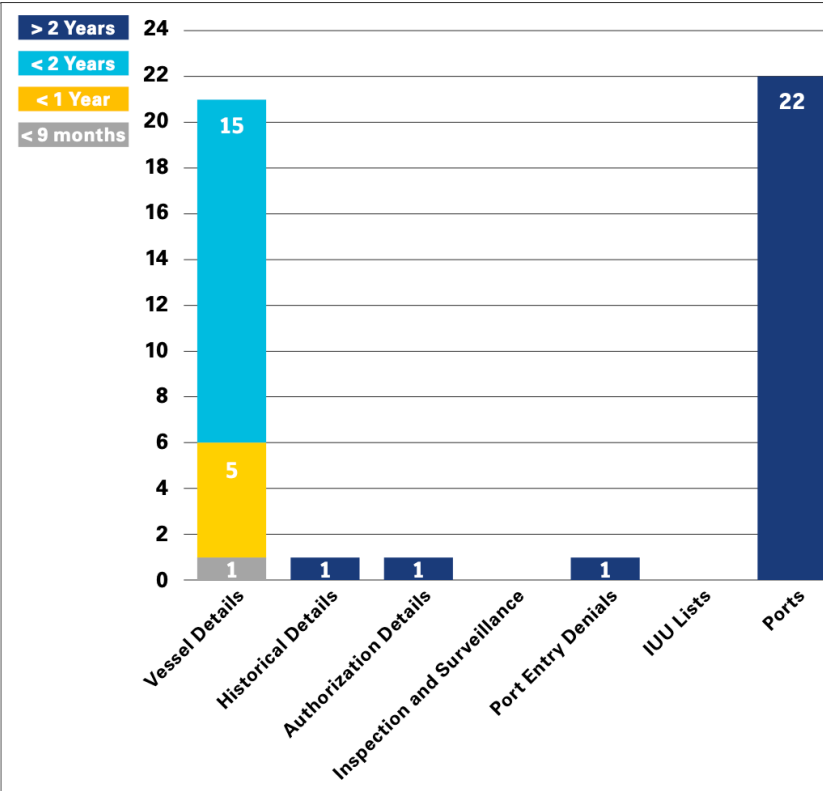
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Analysis of engagement with the FAO Global Record of Fishing Vessels

Initial Engagement of the 27 EU Member States with the FAO Global Record



Information uploaded by EU Member States and time since last upload



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Carded Countries

SFPAs

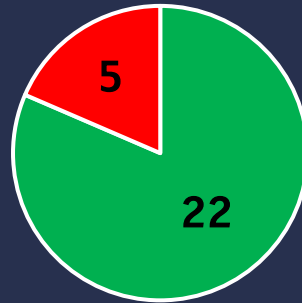
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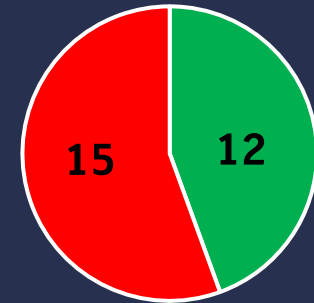
Main Findings

1) Initial engagement with the Global Record needs promotion and States need support

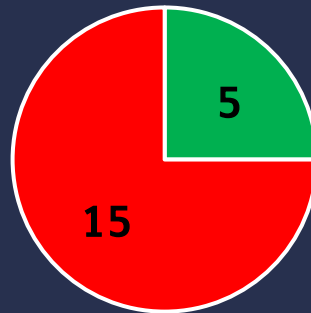
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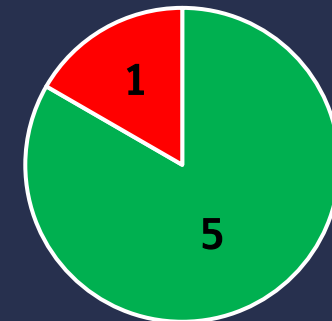
Carded Countries



SFPAs



International Partners



Main Findings

2) States need to expand on the amount of information provided

Vessel details

Historical details

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Details

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surveillance

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Main Findings

3) Timeliness of uploads need improvement

Country	Initial Engagement	Comprehensiveness of Data (No. Information modules Submitted)	Frequency of Upload
Currently Carded			
Cambodia	No	0	N/A
Cameroon	No	0	N/A
Comoros	No	0	N/A
Ecuador	Yes	3	Vessel Details (<6 months), Historical Details (<2 years), Authorisation Details (>2 years)
Ghana	Yes	3	Vessel Details (<2 years), Authorisation Details (>2 years), Ports (>2 years)
Liberia	Yes	1	Vessel details (<1 year)
Panama	Yes	4	Vessel Details (<6 months), Authorisation Details (<2 years), Inspection and Surveillance (<2 years), Ports (<9 months)
Sierra Leone	No	0	N/A
St Kitts and Nevis	No	0	N/A
St Vincent and the Grenadines	No	0	N/A
Trinidad and Tobago	Yes	2	Vessel Details (<2 year), Ports (<2 year)
Vietnam	No	0	N/A

Main Findings

4) Some States are going above and beyond the mandatory information required

MANDATORY

- Unique Vessel Identifier (UVI)
- Current flag
- Length overall (LOA)
- Vessel name
- GT or Gross Registered Tonnage (GRT).

VOLUNTARY

- International Radio Call Sign (IRCS)
- Power
- Gear (vessel type)
- Owner Name
- Operator/Manager Name
- Beneficial Owner Name
- MMSI
- Regional Body Identifier
- National Registration Number

Main Findings

4) Some States are going above and beyond the mandatory information required

EU Member States	Initial Engagement?	Total no. vessels submitted to Global Record	IRCS	Power	Gear (Vessel Type)	Owner Name	Operator/Manager Name	Beneficial Owner Name	MMSI	Regional Body Identifier	National Registration No.
Austria	No										
Belgium	Yes	49	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Bulgaria	Yes	11	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Croatia	Yes	103	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
Cyprus	Yes	19	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Czech Republic	No										
Denmark	Yes	53	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Estonia	Yes	30	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Finland	Yes	19	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
France	Yes	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Germany	Yes	67	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Greece	Yes	317	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Hungary	No										
Ireland	Yes	184	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Italy	Yes	155	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Latvia	Yes	43	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes

Main Findings

5) Very few States are providing information on vessel ownership details

Recommendations

The FAO...

- Expands the scope of mandatory information fields within the Global Record
- Develops automatic information-sharing mechanisms so that countries can update information more easily.
- Encourages States to submit information across all information modules of the Global Record and to ensure that the information submitted is frequently updated
- Encourages States to provide information on vessel ownership

Recommendations

The European Commission and partner countries...

- Seeks to develop a better understanding of the barriers preventing Member States and international partners from uploading the relevant data to all fields of the Global Record;
- Work together with international partner countries to encourage full and timely upload of information to the Global Record and the uptake of IMO numbers on relevant fishing vessels.
- Offer financial and/or technical support to partner countries (where required and appropriate) to update their national systems to facilitate mechanisms for regular information submission to the Global Record.
- Offer the FAO assistance as test partners for any information-sharing mechanism added to the Global Record.



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Thank you for listening

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