

List of Operations as per Article 119 of Regulation (EU) No 508/2014

Beneficiary Name	Community Fleet Register (CFR)	Operation Name	Operation Summary	Operation Start Date	Operation End Date	Total Eligible Expenditure	Amount of Union Contribution	Operation Postcode	Country	Name of Union Priority
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for Sustainable Development, the Environment and Climate Change	N/a	Data Collection Framework Multi-annual Programme 2014 - 2016	This operation includes the collection, use and management of fisheries data in line with Council Regulation EC No. 199/2008 and Commission Decision (2010/93/EU) and as outlined in the National Programme for the collection of primary biological, technical, environmental and socio-economic data in the fisheries sector of the Republic of Malta, 2011 - 2013 National Programme.	1/1/2014	31/12/2018	€ 1,325,714.35	€ 1,060,571.48	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 3
Environment and Resources Authority	N/a	Marine Environmental Monitoring: Towards Effective Management of Malta's Marine Waters	The project will initiate the implementation of sustained environmental monitoring in marine waters with the aim to assess the state of Malta's marine waters on a continuous basis and address current knowledge gaps. This monitoring would provide a sound knowledge base for effective management of anthropogenic activities and work towards achievement of Good Environmental Status in marine waters.	1/1/2017	31/3/2019	€ 1,825,000.00	€ 1,368,750.00	MRS1441	Malta	Union Priority 6
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for Sustainable Development, the Environment and Climate Change	N/a	The Construction and Finishing of an Office on the Fish Landing Site in the Marsaxlokk Designated Port	The Marsaxlokk Landing Site shall be a state of the art facility, aimed at facilitating fish landing in the South Eastern region of the Maltese Islands. The building shall house an office where fisheries officers can carry out checks and controls, a small chiller where fish can be stored, and a weighing station facility. The building shall be built following environmental friendly principles also ensuring full accessibility to persons with a disability. This investment shall complement EFF316 project, where the adjacent quay was extended to accommodate more landing vessels and manoeuvrability in the area.	1/1/2017	31/12/2018	€ 561,197.86	€ 420,898.40	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 1
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for Sustainable Development, the Environment and Climate Change	N/a	A scientific study to improve trawl gear selectivity	This operation includes a desktop study, marine surveys and analysis of data so as to improve the gear selectivity of the 40mm square mesh size currently in use by the Maltese otter board trawling fleet so as to reduce discards of Merluccius merluccius (European hake) and Parapenaeus longirostris (Deep-water rose shrimp). Two methods to improve the gear selectivity for each of these two species will be tested. The majority of the project will be sub-contracted through a tendering procedure. This project is in line with Council Regulation (EC) No 508/2014 and as outlined in the Operational Programme for Malta - March 2015.	1/1/2017	31/7/2019	€ 200,000.00	€ 150,000.00	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 1

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Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for Sustainable Development, the Environment and Climate Change	N/a	Training for Fishers	A number of high standard training courses shall be provided to all interested registered fishers. The courses shall be aimed at improving the knowledge and skill of local fishers, targeting to increase the overall standard of the local fishing industry. Courses and seminars are projected to start during the first quarter of 2018; such activities are projected to span over a period of four months. This project shall also include an awareness media campaign, aimed at encouraging course participation. A number of mediums shall be used including: informative application letters to be sent to all professional (MFA/MFB) fisher vessel owners, posters, roll up banners and also television adverts. An information session will also be held to bridge the gap with potentially interested applicants, thus answering any difficulties or queries one might have and aiding applicants in the filling in of application forms. The Department will also be working with cooperatives and other relevant entities to facilitate the dissemination of information and increase awareness at end user level, hoping to maximise the course participation. After all courses and seminars are delivered, a closing ceremony will be held where all participants will be handed over participation certificates and respective certifications. A gift pack will be also given to all attendees which shall include items related to health and safety.	1/6/2017	31/26/2020	€ 500,000.00	€ 375,000.00	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 1
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for Sustainable Development, the Environment and Climate Change	N/a	Data-Collection Multi-annual Programme 2017-2019	This operation includes the collection, use and management of fisheries data in line with Council Regulation (EC) No. 199/2008 and Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/1251 ( ) and as outlined in the Work Plan for data collection in the fisheries and aquaculture sectors 2017-2019.	1/1/2017	31/12/2020	€ 2,279,324.40	€ 1,823,459.52	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 3
Transport Malta	N/a	Refurbishment and upgrading of slipways in the port of Marsaxlokk	The project shall involve the refurbishment and upgrading of ten slipways within the port of Marsaxlokk. This shall include: - the cleaning of all slipway surfaces from marine growth and other encrustations; - the reinstatement of all cracked, pitted and dilapidated concrete surfaces including the side walls of the slipways on seven slipways; - the lowering of three slipways in order to have their toe submerged in water; - the refurbishment of slipway toes where required, the filling up of scoured areas, and the installation of new timber sleepers; - one slipway shall have its toe extended to accommodate larger fishing vessels This project shall be of benefit to the fishermen using this port by improving these slipways' condition, this fishing port's infrastructure and the fishermen's safety and working conditions.	1/9/2016	31/12/2018	€ 556,840.50	€ 417,630.38	MRS1917	Malta	Union Priority 1
Transport Malta	N/a	Construction of a breakwater at Qrejten point in the port of Marsaxlokk	The project shall involve the construction of a breakwater at Qrejten point to improve the coastal defences in the Marsaxlokk bay and to provide shelter for vessels operating within this port. This project shall also improve the fishers' safety and working conditions, and decrease the overall coastal damage caused by strong currents within the Marsaxlokk port.	1/9/2016	28/2/2020	€ 4,126,632.80	€ 3,094,974.60	LJA2021	Malta	Union Priority 1

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Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for the Environment, Sustainable Development and Climate Change	N/a	Nesploraw Flimkien it-Teżori tal-Bahar!	<p>Nesploraw Flimkien it-Teżori tal-Bahar! is a promotional campaign launched by the Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture in partnership with the Department of Curriculum, Research, Innovation and Lifelong Learning and the National Literacy Agency, both falling within the remit of the Ministry for Education and Employment.</p> <p>Together, the project promoters have developed an educational animated cartoon video clip accompanied by an illustrated educational book and a hand-glove puppet of the campaign mascot. These educational resources have been distributed to primary schools in Malta and Gozo and are expected to be utilised as primary teaching resources (year 3 and year 4) in the scholastic years to come.</p> <p>The campaign, apart from targeting primary school pupils, targets the general public through the broadcasting of adverts on diverse mass media platforms. An open-weekend is planned to be organised at the end of June, 2018, where different stakeholders will be invited to disseminate information to the general public.</p> <p>The campaign seeks to communicate three principle messages:  (i) Awareness of the state of the local fish stocks;  (ii) Sustainable fish consumption;  (iii) The role of each individual in assisting conservation efforts.</p>	1/6/2017	31/12/2018	€ 248,501.35	€ 186,376.01	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 5
Pisciculture Marine de Malte Ltd.	N/a	Proposed Investments Pisciculture Marine de Malte Ltd.	Investments to enhance the competitiveness and viability of the enterprise including the improvement of safety and working conditions. Enhancement of quality of the final aquaculture product.	15/3/2018	31/12/2019	€ 55,488.61	€ 41,616.46	MLH 2480	Malta	Union Priority 2
AquaBioTech Ltd.	N/a	Productive investment in non-food aquaculture using Recirculation Aquaculture Systems (RAS) in AquaBioTech Group to improve resource efficiency, reducing usage of water and chemicals as well as to ensure the safe operation of existing and new RAS units (Call 1 (b) Article 48 (1) e, i, j)	<p>With the requested funding, the AquaBioTech Group is to receive support for the development of existing Recirculation Aquaculture System (RAS) and build new systems. In line with the goals of the Common Fisheries Policy and the EMFF Regulation, ABTG wants to develop non-food aquaculture production units using Recirculation Aquaculture System technology to produce fish for experimnets testing new aquaculture products like for example feeds, feed additives, vaccines, equipment. The aim of the planned investment is to:</p> <p>Upgrade the central water supply and effluent collection system, energy supply, monitoring and control of the existing RAS systems to reduce operational costs and environmental impacts &amp; construction of nine (9) new RAS unit in the exiting laboratory building of the company to provide higher quality services for the clients.</p>	1/2/2018	31/1/2020	€ 367,960.16	€ 275,970.12	MST 1761	Malta	Union Priority 2

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Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for the Environment, Sustainable Development and Climate Change	N/a	<b>Operation title c)</b> - The development, purchase and installation of the components necessary to ensure the traceability	Operation title c) entails the procurement of <b>5 Mobile Hand Pallet Trucks</b> to be utilised at the fish market and other sites as required. These shall be assisting the DFA officials by facilitating the weighing process at the fish market. These Pallet Trucks will have an integrated weighing scale and shall be linked to a printer that generates the required labelling notes as per established EU regulations. These trucks shall be linked to the Department's ICT system through a wireless connection. The hand palletizers will assist fishermen in fulfilling the current legislation with regards to labelling of catch before putting it on the market. This operation also entails the development of a <b>Fisheries Sales Notes System</b> . This Web Based system shall enable the DFA to maintain electronically all Sales Notes issued by Registered Buyers and Sellers of fish. This system shall enforce the control and accountability aspect of this operation through a reliable, transparent and traceable system. Operation c) also includes <b>expenditure related to the FIS and MITA Hosting Costs</b> .	1/5/2017	31/11/2018	€ 408,784.12	€ 367,905.71	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 3
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for the Environment, Sustainable Development and Climate Change	N/a	<b>Operation title e)</b> - The modernisation and purchasing of patrol vessels, aircrafts and helicopters	Operation type e) entails the <b>procurement of two (2) Rigid Hull Inflatable Boats (RHIBs) for Fisheries Control and Aquaculture monitoring</b> . The Department has only one (1) RHIB which can only perform inshore patrols and thus can be used only within a 12 Nautical Mile zone, which restricts the control and surveillance operations of the DFA. The larger part of the fishing activity occurs outside the 12 nautical mile zone. Two additional RHIB's are required in order to strengthen its infrastructural capacity to carry out offshore controls.	1/6/2017	31/3/2019	€ 412,777.00	€ 288,943.90	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 3
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for the Environment, Sustainable Development and Climate Change	N/a	<b>Operation title a)</b> - The purchase, installation and development of technology	Operation title a) includes the installation of CCTV cameras for the Automated Weighing and Labelling Stations (AWLS) installed in seventeen (17) sites in Malta and Gozo, the procurement of a Stereoscopic Camera, Ancillary Equipment and IT Hardware for the accurate assessment and processing of data of Bluefin Tuna (BFT) Biomass transferred in underwater cages, and the upgrade of existing logbooks (63) installed on vessels over 12 meters.	1/1/2017	31/12/2020	€ 404,289.91	€ 363,860.92	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 3
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for the Environment, Sustainable Development and Climate Change	N/a	<b>Operation title b)</b> - The development, purchase and installation of the components to ensure data transmission	Operation title b) involves the replacement of the VMS Units (149) currently installed on vessels registered on DFA's Fishing Vessel Register, the installation of GPRS Trackers (808) to be installed on vessels smaller than 10 meters and new Installations of 52 e-logbooks on vessels between 10-12m. This operation also includes VMS transmission costs, costs related to VMS hardware units and costs related to GPRS	1/1/2017	31/12/2020	€ 1,752,109.60	€ 1,576,898.64	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 3
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for the Environment, Sustainable Development and Climate Change	N/a	<b>Operation title f)</b> - The purchase of other control means	Operation title f) includes the certification of Engine Power for engines (286) of a total engine power of more than 120kW installed on vessels (199) and the procurement of five (5) Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) for the surveillance of fishing activities.	1/1/2017	31/3/2020	€ 212,182.21	€ 190,963.99	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 3

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Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for the Environment, Sustainable Development and Climate Change	N/a	<b>Operation title h</b> - Training at EFCA (not less than twenty five [25] sessions) for the DFA Officials whose tasks include control of Fisheries Activities	Operation title h) includes training at EFCA for DFA Officials whose tasks include control of Fisheries Activities.	1/1/2016	31/12/2018	€ 35,000.00	€ 31,500.00	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 3
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for the Environment, Sustainable Development and Climate Change	N/a	<b>Operation title i</b> - 2 Cost Benefit Analysis and 3 Audits to assess the performance and expenditure incurred by DFA to carry out monitoring, control and surveillance	Operation title i) includes Cost Benefit Analysis and 3 Audits to assess the performance and expenditure incurred by DFA to carry out monitoring, control and surveillance	1/1/2017	31/12/2020	€ 60,000.00	€ 54,000.00	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 3
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for the Environment, Sustainable Development and Climate Change	N/a	<b>Operation title j</b> - Seminars and media tools	Operation title j) includes an awareness campaign on the main policy areas of the CFP and the importance to fight IUU as well as seminars to enhance awareness amongst stakeholders in the Fisheries Sector on the implementation of the CFP rules and the importance to fight IUU.	1/1/2017	31/12/2020	€ 846,927.98	€ 762,235.18	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 3
Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Ministry for the Environment, Sustainable Development and Climate Change	N/a	<b>Operation type k</b> - Operational costs	Operation type k) refers to operational costs incurred in participating in not less than 15 Joint Deployment Plans (JDPs). JDPs are sea, land and air surveillance missions which are conducted between different Member States in order to be as unbiased as possible and also to offer a shared experience to the participating officers. JDPs are considered important both to DFA and the National fishing sector alike.	1/1/2016	30/9/2018	€ 23,000.00	€ 20,700.00	MRS3304	Malta	Union Priority 3
Mr. Joseph George Bugeja (Modernisation - EMFF 1.20.1)	MLT 00000620	N/a	<p>This operation will target the efficiency of the operations of fishing vessel MFA 6022. The 'Grande Madre' is a GRP built fully decked type treble screw fishing vessel having forward enclosed type navigation superstructure and an open working deck abaft.</p> <p><b>1. Improving the hydrodynamics of the hull of the 9 year old fishing vessel in accordance with article 41.1 (a) of Regulation 508/2014.</b> This part of the project is aimed to lengthen the "Prim" of the fishing vessel. This will help the fishing vessel to increase the speed and endurance, decrease the drag of sea water and help the vessel to have less friction. These works will also help to decrease the fuel consumption of the vessel. The modifications are not deemed to affect the GT computation of the vessel and they do not affect the principal dimensions of the vessel in accordance with the definitions and procedures of the Merchant Shipping Tonnage Regulations S.L. 243.19. Moreover, the modified keel is believed to provide dampening to roll motions thus improving the safety of the vessel and crew as well as their well-being at sea.</p> <p><b>2. Improving the refrigeration system of the 11.41 metres fishing vessel.</b> This part of the project is to change the existing old refrigeration motor installed on the fishing vessel. The new motor will be A++ which will help the vessel to be more energy efficient and environmentally friendly since it could be switched on and off as soon as the temperature required is reached. Moreover, the new refrigerator motor switched off automatically, thus saving about twenty five (25) litres of fuel (diesel) every day. The old compressor worked with 22 gas. The new one will work with 404 gas, this being more efficient.</p>	1/1/2018	30/11/2018	€ 6,756.40	€ 5,067.30	MRS3303	Malta	Union Priority 1

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Ms. Marianne Mercieca (Modernisation - EMFF 1.20.2)	MLT 00MFA0276	N/a	<p>The current operation encompasses the use of a fishing boat. The fisherman has been operating the boat for the past 11 years. The operation is profitable however there are a number of aspects of the vessel which are encumbering this profitability, such as outdated and old equipment. The purpose is to upgrade and modernise the boat, to improve the efficiency of the propulsion methods and make the operation more efficient and economically viable.</p> <p>The investment in new propeller and engine shaft are being made in order to modernise the current equipment and make the main propulsion parts of the boat more efficient. The most efficient propeller and shaft set up were chosen. This efficiency directly impacts the fuel efficiency of the boat and reduces the emissions created. With the investment in the propellers there is also the need to improve the shafts of the vessel to cater for the new propellers and the cope with the torque being generated by this set-up.</p> <p>Investment is also being made in cooling systems which will also improve efficiency of the operation allowing the vessel to remain on site for longer periods instead of having to travel to and from unloading destinations. This investment will replace the old system which has been used for the past 22 years and no longer fits its purpose.</p>	19/6/2018	30/11/2018	€ 15,203.83	€ 11,402.27	N/a	Malta	Union Priority 1
Mr. Charlo D'Amato (Modernisation - EMFF 1.20.3)	MLT00MFA0154	N/a	<p>The proposed operation that the owners of the Madre Teresa vessel are putting forward falls under the category of investments in equipment or on board. These relate to the following:</p> <p>a. Investment in a new steering gear control system with multiple rudders, this investment will lead to the promotion of energy efficiency and the mitigation of climate change in line with Article 13(1)(c) of the Commission Delegated Regulation № 2015/531.</p> <p>b. Installing a new freezing system on board and covering them in a wood structure and coating it in copper to reduce energy losses and this in line with Article 16 (a) of Regulation № 2015/531.</p> <p>Therefore, this project involves shaft drive line, propellers and rudders upgrading, all being carried out in order to reduce greenhouse gases and to mitigate the emissions of pollutants. This investment will lead to a marked improvement in boat handling, reduce fuel consumption, improve internal engineering room space and increase safety for all hands-on deck.</p> <p>The new refrigeration and freezing system carries the latest energy savings rating and thus will lead to a huge improvement in energy efficiency but also lead to substantial reductions in emission of pollutants and greenhouse gases.</p>	1/12/2017	30/11/2018	€ 21,854.92	€ 16,391.19	MXK 1533	Malta	Union Priority 1

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Ministry for Gozo	N/A	Upgrading of the fisheries infrastructure of Gozo	The proposed project shall modernise the fishermen's facilities located at the designated fishing ports of Mgarr and Xlendi, together with the introduction of new related amenities. Through this investment, local fishermen would start benefiting from better and safer working environment. This eventuality would encourage this cohort to further invest in their operations and in the process improve the quality of their catch.	30/4/2018	31/12/2019	€ 1,320,485.95	€ 990,364.46	VCT 1335	Malta	Union Priority 1
Infrastructure Malta	N/A	Upgrading of Mgarr Gozo and Marsaxlokk Malta fishing ports	<p>The project shall be carried out at the fishing ports of Mgarr Gozo and Marsaxlokk Malta, whereby through this endeavour these fishing ports will be reorganised, upgraded and expanded. It shall address the dilapidated and unsafe marine infrastructure in these ports which cannot be operated. Through this project, Transport Malta shall be providing a safer working environment for fishers through the installation of new pontoons which shall include new lighting and safety equipment. Furthermore, the current mooring facilities for fishing vessels will be increased thereby increasing the number of safe berths for fishers.</p> <p>This project shall also be addressing the financial sustainability of fishers. By allocating them more berthing space there shall be a reduction in the wastage of fuel and time incurred by the fishers to find berthing space where to land their catch. It would also reduce competition for such space as fishers would have more allocated berthing space. Transport Malta shall be investing in these designated ports and provide increased flexibility to fishers and improve operational efficiencies.</p>	1/1/2018	30/9/2020	€ 3,810,968.41	€ 2,858,226.31	UA 2021	Malta	Union Priority 1

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Malta Fish Farming Limited	N/A	Increasing productivity, efficiency and sustainability of Blue-fin tuna fish farming operations	<p>Due to the increasing quotas in Blue-fin tuna farming year on year according to ICCAT recommendations, as well as an increase in demand for Blue-fin tuna by various global markets, MFF Ltd realised that there was potential for growth and increased productivity which led the company to relocate its Tuna Fish-farms further out at sea.</p> <p>This move 6 km away from the shore led to the creation of greater spaces in which the company could operate and offered better conditions for the tuna being farmed. This move however also involved various upgrades in the infrastructure due to the conditions present further out at sea which include deeper seas and stronger currents.</p> <p>Furthermore the investment made would provide a basis for further development of aquaculture species, and the production of an improved product as well as a higher demand within the global market, allows MFF to stay ahead of its competition and supply a product at the standards expected globally.</p>	6/6/2015	31/12/2020	€ 2,000,000.00	€ 1,500,000.00	MXK1522	Malta	Union Priority 2

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