



**THE EUROPEAN  
FISHERIES  
FUND  
2007-2013**



# **THE EUROPEAN FISHERIES FUND 2007-2013 EFF**

**HELPING TO ACHIEVE ECONOMIC, ENVIRONMENTAL  
AND SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY**

**THROUGH HELP TO**

**REDUCE FISHING EFFORT AND PROTECT THE  
MARINE ENVIRONMENT**



# GUIDING OBJECTIVES

- Facilitate the implementation of CFP measures
- Help fishing communities diversify their economy
- Simplify aid delivery and increase subsidiarity



## **FIVE PRIORITY AXIS**

- 1. Adjustment of Community fishing fleet**
- 2. Aquaculture, processing and marketing**
- 3. Projects of collective interest**
- 4. Sustainable development of fishing coastal zones**
- 5. Technical assistance**



## **Axis 1. Adaptation of the fleet**

***National plans shall include aid for:***

- permanent cessation of vessels
- socio-economic measures

***National plans may include aid for:***

- temporary cessation of activities
- investments on board and selectivity
- small-scale coastal fisheries measures



## **AXIS 1. Adaptation of the fleet**

- investments on board vessels and selectivity
- small scale coastal fishing
- socio-economic measures
- environment friendly fishing gear and methods
- vocational training



## **Axis 2. Aquaculture, processing and marketing**

***Aquaculture***

***Processing***

***Marketing***



## **Axis 2. Aquaculture, processing and marketing**

***New for aquaculture:***

### **Aqua-environmental measures**

- ✓ environmentally-friendly farming
- ✓ participation in EMAS scheme
- ✓ organic farming





## **Axis 2. Aquaculture, processing and marketing**

***Aid only to small and micro companies***

**NOT eligible:**

- **farming of species with no market outlets**
- **retail trade**
- **products not aimed at human consumption**
- **transfer of business ownership**



## **Axis 3. Measures of collective interest**

- **better fishing management and scientists-fishermen partnerships**
- **market transparency**
- **protection and development of fauna**
- **fishing ports**
- **development of new markets**
- **pilot projects**
- **small-scale coastal fisheries**



## **Axis 4. Sustainable development of coastal fishing areas**

### **Eligible areas :**

- **areas smaller than NUTS III**
- **with a sea or lake shore or river estuary**

### **MS select areas according to 4 criteria:**

- **low population density**
- **significant level of fisheries employment**
- **extent of decline of fisheries**
- **no municipality with more than 100 000 inhabitants**



## **Axis 4. Sustainable development of coastal fishing areas**

### **Based on:**

- local development strategies
- bottom-up approach

### **Aiming to:**

- tackle socio-economic problems in these areas
- maintain economic prosperity and jobs



## **Axis 4. Sustainable development of coastal fishing areas**

- **Restructuring and diversification of economic activities**
  - **promotion of sea food**
  - **small infrastructure and tourism**
  - **restore production damaged by disasters**
  - **inter-regional and trans-national cooperation of GACs (coastal action groups)**
  - **capacity building to prepare local development strategies**
  - **protecting and capitalising on natural and architectural heritage, developing coastal hamlets and villages, protecting environment**



## **Axis 4. Sustainable development of coastal fishing areas**

### **Beneficiaries**

Those employed in the fisheries sector or in fisheries related business

### **Coherence with other Funds**

- MS must clarify in their OP which Fund will support measures eligible to different Funds
- Aid for training and access to employment shall not exceed 15 % of the axis appropriation



## ***NEW APPROACH IN AID DELIVERY***

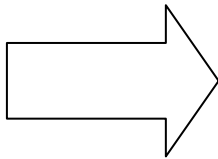
- 1. Simplification of the programming and delivery process**
- 2. Strategic approach**
- 3. Coherence with financial perspectives, policies and Funds**



# ***NEW APPROACH IN AID DELIVERY***

## ***1. Simplification***

- Four Regulations
- Detailed scales and rate of assistance
- Eligibility defined at Community level
- Many programmes per MS funded by various Funds
- Programmes : CSF +OP+ PC
- Follow up at measure level



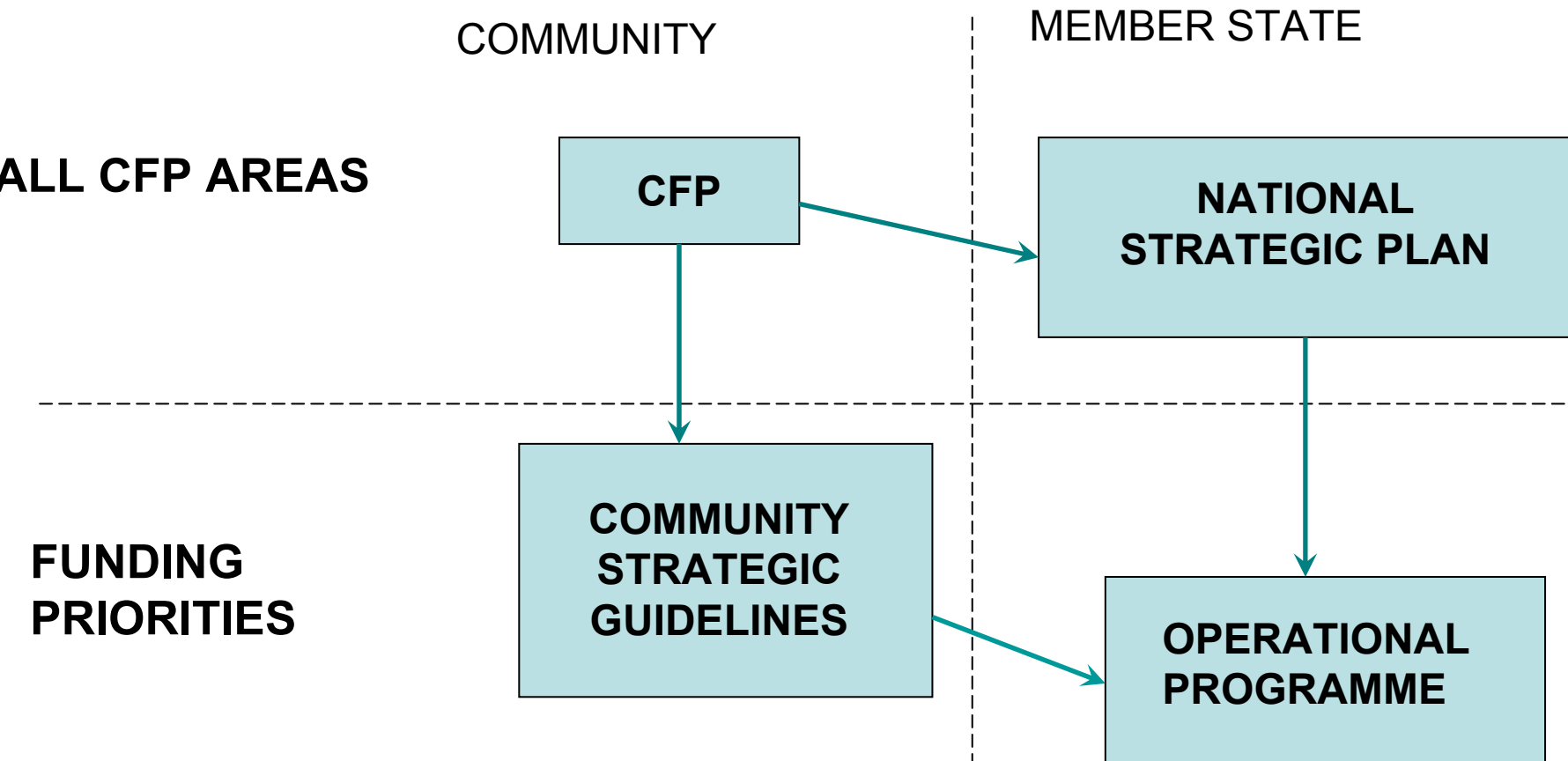
- One single Regulation
- Outline principles and criteria for aid only
- Eligibility defined by Member State
- One programme per MS funded by EFF only
- Programmes : OP only
- Follow up at priority axis level





# NEW APPROACH IN AID DELIVERY

## *2. Strategic Approach*





# NEW APPROACH IN AID DELIVERY

## ***3. Coherence with financial perspectives and other Funds***

- EFF separate from Structural Funds
- Principles guiding EU Structural Funds are kept :

*multi-annual programming, partnership, co-funding, subsidiarity, proportionality, N+2, shared management, concentration, evaluation, transparency*



# Community share of total cost in%

	Convergence	Outside Convergence	Outermost Regions
<b>Fleet related measures</b>			
➤ Adjustment of fleet under recovery plan	85%	<b>65%</b>	85%
➤ Adjustment of fleet (other)	75%	<b>50%</b>	85%
➤ Small scale fisheries	85%	<b>65%</b>	85%
<b>Aquaculture – Processing – Marketing</b>			
➤ Productive investments	30%	<b>15%</b>	42,5%
➤ Non productive investments	75%	<b>50%</b>	85%
<b>Local development of coastal zones</b>			
➤ Productive investments	30%	<b>15%</b>	42,5%
➤ Non productive investments (training)	75%	<b>50%</b>	85%
<b>Measures of collective interest</b>	75%	<b>50%</b>	85%



# **FINANCIAL PERSPECTIVES 2007-2013**

**EFF: 550 Mio euros/year**

**75% for Convergence regions**



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**finely tuned to the future challenges  
and needs of European fisheries  
and aquaculture**