



Opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2017/2107 laying down management, conservation and control measures applicable in the Convention area of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT), Regulation (EU) 2018/975 laying down management, conservation and control measures applicable in the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation (SPRFMO) Convention Area, Regulation (EU) 2019/833 laying down conservation and enforcement measures applicable in the Regulatory Area of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation, Regulation (EU) 2021/56 laying down management, conservation and control measures applicable in the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Convention area, Regulation (EU) 2022/2056 laying down conservation and management measures applicable in the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Convention Area, Regulation (EU) 2022/2343 laying down management, conservation and control measures applicable in the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) Area of Competence, and Regulation (EU) 2023/2053 establishing a multiannual management plan for bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean

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Legal basis	Articles 43(2) and 304 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union
Section responsible	Section for Agriculture, Rural Development and the Environment
Adopted at plenary session	17.6.2026
Plenary session No	606
Outcome of vote (for/against/abstentions)	201/0/2

Since the Committee has already set out its views on the content of the proposal in question in its opinions:

- *Amendment to regulations concerning international fisheries (NAFO, SPRFMO, IOTC, WCPFC, IATTC and ICCAT)* ⁽¹⁾, adopted on 16.7.2025,
- *Fisheries – NAFO* ⁽²⁾, adopted on 15.6.2023,
- *Conservation and enforcement measures – NAFO* ⁽³⁾, adopted on 24.3.2022,
- *Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT)* ⁽⁴⁾, adopted on 15.6.2022,
- *Bluefin tuna catch documentation* ⁽⁵⁾, adopted on 27.1.2021,

⁽¹⁾ OJ C, C/2025/5154, 28.10.2025, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/C/2025/5154/oj>.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 293, 18.8.2023, p. 144.

⁽³⁾ OJ C 290, 29.7.2022, p. 149.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ C 365, 23.9.2022, p. 55.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ C 123, 9.4.2021, p. 72.

- *Fisheries – transposition of IATTC measures* ⁽⁶⁾, adopted on 2.12.2020,
- *Conservation and enforcement measures – NAFO* ⁽⁷⁾, adopted on 18.9.2020,
- *Multiannual management plan for bluefin tuna* ⁽⁸⁾, adopted on 7.5.2020,
- *Conservation and control measures in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation* ⁽⁹⁾, adopted on 23.1.2019,
- *Conservation of Atlantic tunas* ⁽¹⁰⁾, adopted on 19.10.2016,
- *Fishing Authorisations* ⁽¹¹⁾, adopted on 25.5.2016,

it decided not to draw up a new opinion on the subject, but to refer to the position it had taken in the above-mentioned documents.

Brussels, 17 June 2026.

The President
of the European Economic and Social Committee
Séamus BOLAND

⁽⁶⁾ OJ C 56, 16.2.2021, p. 59.

⁽⁷⁾ OJ C 429, 11.12.2020, p. 279.

⁽⁸⁾ OJ C 232, 14.7.2020, p. 36.

⁽⁹⁾ OJ C 159, 15.5.2019, p. 60.

⁽¹⁰⁾ OJ C 34, 2.2.2017, p. 142.

⁽¹¹⁾ OJ C 303, 19.8.2016, p. 116.