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Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) fishing

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Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Combater a pesca INN: Implementação dos instrumentos e ferramentas

FAO participates in Brazilian national seminar on IUU fishing

Illegal, unreported, and unregulated (IUU) fishing remains one of the greatest threats to marine ecosystems due to its potent ability to undermine national and regional efforts to manage fisheries sustainably as well as endeavours to conserve marine biodiversity. IUU fishing takes advantage of corrupt administrations and exploits weak management regimes, in particular those of developing countries lacking the capacity and resources for effective monitoring, control, and surveillance (MCS). IUU fishing is found in all types and dimensions of fisheries; it occurs both on the high seas and in areas within national jurisdiction, it concerns all aspects and stages of the capture and utilisation of fish, and it may sometimes be associated with organized crime. Fisheries resources available to bona fide fishers are removed by IUU fishing, which can lead to the collapse of local fisheries, with small-scale fisheries in developing countries proving particularly vulnerable. Products derived from IUU fishing can find their way into overseas trade markets thus throttling local food supply. IUU fishing therefore threatens livelihoods, exacerbates poverty, and augments food insecurity.

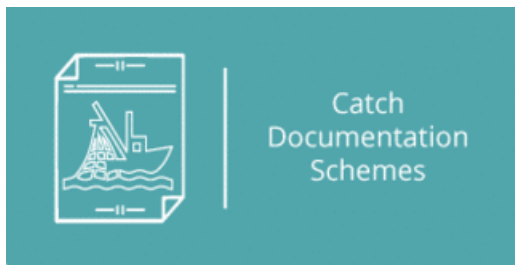


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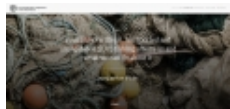
- IUU fishing represents up to 26 million tonnes of fish caught annually
- IUU fishing occurs on the



high seas and in other areas within national jurisdiction, especially affecting coastal rural populations in vulnerable areas

- IUU fishing may sometimes be associated with other crimes
- FAO is working closely with IMO, ILO and UNODC to counter IUU fishing and associated illicit activities

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Four reasons illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing affects us and what we can do about it

Don't let the words put you off: Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) fishing has a greater impact on your life than you may realise. IUU fishing is one of the biggest threats to our oceans, impacting the sustainability of fisheries,...



Video: Illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing | Sustainable fishing starts with us

Although the impacts of illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing on world oceans, trade, and coastal communities can be substantial, most consumers seldom think of IUU fishing as an obstacle to the sustainability of our ocean. When illicitly caught fish ends...



Get Involved!

On 5 December 2017 the United Nations General Assembly, in its annual resolution on sustainable fisheries, proclaimed 5 June as the International Day for the Fight Against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing. The date marks a historic event, namely the day...

Events

08/05/2023 - 12/05/2023
Fourth Meeting of the Parties to the PSMA
Indonesia

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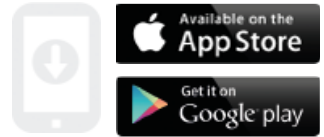
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