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Dear members,

MEDAC attended the MedSudMed Workshop in support of fisheries management- (Deep-water rose shrimps and European hake- Sicily Channel) on June 24 and on the morning of June 25.

MedSudMed is one of the FAO Regional projects with four participating countries (Italy, Libya, Malta and Tunisia). This meeting has been the first meeting organized by MedSudMed in which participated fishermen, national research institutions of participating countries and Administrations of the 4 countries involved in order to discuss together and start with a common strategy to draft a management plan in the Sicily Channel.

It has been very important for MEDAC to attend this meeting and thanked MedSudMed in organizing such a meeting where there are all the involved actors, including the stakeholders, in order to avoid what happened with the GFCM recommendation on North Adriatic Sea in which the MEDAC didn't have the chance to be involved in the discussion for the adoption of precautionary measures for 2015 for anchovies in GSA 17.

The overall MedSudMd objective is to contribute to the development of an Deep-water rose shrimps and European hake and associated species in the south-central Mediterranean Sea to be presented and discussed for adoption at the GFCM meeting.

There has been a technical discussion for the development of harmonised management strategies for fisheries exploiting shared or straddling stocks in the south-central Mediterranean Sea. Furthermore, all the participants tried to identify gaps that may hamper the development of harmonised fisheries management.

One of the aspects that has to be underlined is that the fishermen present at the workshop have expressed the willingness to draft a management plan because they consider that this is the only way to manage the exploitation of shared stocks.

Please find attached the terms of reference and the agenda available in EN and IT.

Kind regards,

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