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Draft amendment 6800

=== PECH/6800 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, Crescenzio Rivellini, rapporteur, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 11 01 01 — Expenditure related to staff in active employment in the 'Maritime affairs and fisheries' policy area

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 01 01	29 678 337	29 678 337	30 412 839	30 412 839	29 788 312	29 788 312	624 527	624 527	30 412 839	30 412 839
Reserve										
Total	29 678 337	29 678 337	30 412 839	30 412 839	29 788 312	29 788 312	624 527	624 527	30 412 839	30 412 839

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 6801

=== PECH/6801 ===

Tabled by Crescenzio Rivellini, rapporteur, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Item 11 01 02 01 — External staff

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 01 02 01	2 550 747	2 550 747	2 514 500	2 514 500	2 493 601	2 493 601	20 899	20 899	2 514 500	2 514 500
Reserve										
Total	2 550 747	2 550 747	2 514 500	2 514 500	2 493 601	2 493 601	20 899	20 899	2 514 500	2 514 500

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 6802

=== PECH/6802 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, Crescenzio Rivellini, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 11 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the 'Maritime affairs and fisheries' policy area

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 01 03	1 894 910	1 894 910	1 890 142	1 890 142	1 885 339	1 885 339	4 803	4 803	1 890 142	1 890 142
Reserve										
Total	1 894 910	1 894 910	1 890 142	1 890 142	1 885 339	1 885 339	4 803	4 803	1 890 142	1 890 142

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 6803

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Item 11 02 01 01 — Intervention in fishery products — New measures

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's po	Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	
11 02 01 01	15 000 000	14 412 834	11 500 000	11 500 000	11 500 000	11 500 000	3 500 000	3 500 000	15 000 000	15 000 000	
Reserve											
Total	15 000 000	14 412 834	11 500 000	11 500 000	11 500 000	11 500 000	3 500 000	3 500 000	15 000 000	15 000 000	

Justification:

In view of the importance of this measure, the CMO revision under preparation and the crisis in the fisheries sector, budget appropriations should be significantly increased so as to ensure that there is no further impact on stability and earnings in the sector.

Draft amendment 6804

=== PECH/6804 ===

== PECH/6803 ==

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Item 11 02 03 01 — Fisheries programme for the outermost regions — New measures

Amend figures as follows:

	_	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
		Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1	1 02 03 01	14 996 768	14 223 191	14 996 768	15 000 000	14 996 768	15 000 000	2 003 232	2 000 000	17 000 000	17 000 000
F	Reserve										
	Total	14 996 768	14 223 191	14 996 768	15 000 000	14 996 768	15 000 000	2 003 232	2 000 000	17 000 000	17 000 000

Justification:

In view of the need to compensate for the additional costs incurred as a result of remoteness and the crisis in the fisheries sector, adequate funding should be set aside for the Pesca programme for the outermost regions. Commitment and payment appropriations are therefore set at EUR 17 million.

Draft amendment 6805

=== PECH/6805 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, Carmen Fraga Estévez, Crescenzio Rivellini, rapporteur, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 11 03 03 — Preparatory work for new international fisheries organisations and other non-compulsory contributions to international organisations

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 03 03	5 500 000	5 215 170	4 500 000	4 000 000	4 500 000	4 000 000	1 000 000	1 215 170	5 500 000	5 215 170
Reserve										
Total	5 500 000	5 215 170	4 500 000	4 000 000	4 500 000	4 000 000	1 000 000	1 215 170	5 500 000	5 215 170

Justification:

Combating illegal fishing is a priority for the EU, and one that can be pursued only at global level, which is why EU involvement at international level is essential. Parliament fully endorses this priority, which is why it considers it essential to expand and consolidate the network of international fisheries organisations. Appropriations should therefore be maintained at at least the same level as in 2012.

Draft amendment 6806

=== PECH/6806 ==

Tabled by Crescenzio Rivellini, rapporteur, Carmen Fraga Estévez, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 11 04 01 — Closer dialogue with the fishing industry and those affected by the common fisheries policy

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 04 01	6 400 000	5 641 866	5 390 000	4 877 000	5 390 000	4 877 000	1 010 000	764 866	6 400 000	5 641 866
Reserve										
Total	6 400 000	5 641 866	5 390 000	4 877 000	5 390 000	4 877 000	1 010 000	764 866	6 400 000	5 641 866

Justification:

The Commission has consistently maintained that, for any fisheries policy to be successful, fishermen need to be more closely involved in decision making, and one of the main planks of the forthcoming reform is a changeover to a 'bottom-up' approach which will give the fishing industry a bigger role. This will clearly require better channels of dialogue, which will need to be funded; appropriations should therefore be kept at the same level as in 2012.

Draft amendment 6807

=== PECH/6807 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, João Ferreira, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 11 06 11 — European Fisheries Fund (EFF) — Operational technical assistance

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 06 11	4 346 082	3 413 566	3 500 000	2 600 000	3 500 000	2 600 000	500 000	400 000	4 000 000	3 000 000
Reserve										
Total	4 346 082	3 413 566	3 500 000	2 600 000	3 500 000	2 600 000	500 000	400 000	4 000 000	3 000 000

Justification:

Given the importance of technical assistance measures for the sustainable development of coastal fishing regions, the budget appropriations proposed by the Commission and the Council should be increased.

Draft amendment 6808

=== PECH/6808 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, Crescenzio Rivellini, rapporteur, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 11 06 12 — European Fisheries Fund (EFF) — Convergence objective

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 06 12	507 543 231	341 356 590	519 652 868	375 000 000	519 652 868	345 000 000		30 000 000	519 652 868	375 000 000
Reserve										
Total	507 543 231	341 356 590	519 652 868	375 000 000	519 652 868	345 000 000		30 000 000	519 652 868	375 000 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 6809

=== PECH/6809 ===

Tabled by Crescenzio Rivellini, rapporteur, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 11 06 13 — European Fisheries Fund (EFF) — Non-convergence objective

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 06 13	159 986 289	113 785 530	163 154 844	125 000 000	163 154 844	120 000 000		5 000 000	163 154 844	125 000 000
Reserve										
Total	159 986 289	113 785 530	163 154 844	125 000 000	163 154 844	120 000 000		5 000 000	163 154 844	125 000 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 6810

=== PECH/6810 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, João Ferreira, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 11 07 01 — Support for the management of fishery resources (collection of basic data)

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's po	Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	
11 07 01	47 500 000	38 307 795	46 000 000	35 500 000	46 000 000	35 500 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	48 000 000	37 500 000	
Reserve											
Total	47 500 000	38 307 795	46 000 000	35 500 000	46 000 000	35 500 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	48 000 000	37 500 000	

Justification:

Bearing in mind previous EP resolutions on the CFP and the need for an ecosystem approach to fisheries management, and in particular the need to gain more scientific knowledge of the general state of fishery resources, thus helping to ensure that actions to be taken have a proper basis and are sustainable, both commitment and payment appropriations should be increased.

Draft amendment 6811

=== PECH/6811 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, Crescenzio Rivellini, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 11 07 01 — Support for the management of fishery resources (collection of basic data)

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget	2012	Draft bud	get 2013	Council's po	sition 2013	Differ	rence	New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 07 01	47 500 000	38 307 795	46 000 000	35 500 000	46 000 000	35 500 000	1 500 000	1 500 000	47 500 000	37 000 000
Reserve										
Total	47 500 000	38 307 795	46 000 000	35 500 000	46 000 000	35 500 000	1 500 000	1 500 000	47 500 000	37 000 000

Justification:

There needs to be an adequate level of support in order to realise the objectives of the budget headings concerned. Appropriations should therefore be kept at levels as close as possible to those in the 2012 budget.

Draft amendment 6812

=== PECH/6812 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, Crescenzio Rivellini, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 11 08 01 — Financial contribution to the Member States for expenses in the field of control

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 08 01	47 430 000	23 894 961	46 330 000	23 350 000	46 330 000	23 350 000	1 170 000	650 000	47 500 000	24 000 000
Reserve										
Total	47 430 000	23 894 961	46 330 000	23 350 000	46 330 000	23 350 000	1 170 000	650 000	47 500 000	24 000 000

Justification:

There needs to be an adequate level of support in order to realise the objectives of the budget headings concerned. Appropriations should therefore be kept at levels as close as possible to those in the 2012 budget.

Draft amendment 6813

=== PECH/6813 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, Crescenzio Rivellini, rapporteur, Carmen Fraga Estévez, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Item 11 08 05 01 — European Fisheries Control Agency (EFCA) — Contribution to Titles 1 and 2

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget	2012	Draft bud	get 2013	Council's po	sition 2013	Differ	rence	New ar	mount
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 08 05 01	7 337 359	7 337 359	7 311 359	7 311 359	7 238 245	7 238 245	578 114	578 114	7 816 359	7 816 359
Reserve										
Total	7 337 359	7 337 359	7 311 359	7 311 359	7 238 245	7 238 245	578 114	578 114	7 816 359	7 816 359

Justification:

To improve fisheries control, the EFCA has developed a new electronic inspection report (EIR) system to streamline and improve coordination of Member State inspections, which will cut costs and make it easier to collect findings. The EFCA puts the cost of bringing this system into service at EUR 505 000. It is therefore proposed that it be funded and that the amount earmarked by the Commission for EFCA operations in 2013 be reinstated.

Draft amendment 6814

=== PECH/6814 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, Crescenzio Rivellini, rapporteur, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Item 11 08 05 02 — European Fisheries Control Agency (EFCA) — Contribution to Title 3

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 08 05 02	1 693 541	2 693 541	1 622 541	1 622 541	1 622 541	1 622 541	127 459	127 459	1 750 000	1 750 000
Reserve										
Total	1 693 541	2 693 541	1 622 541	1 622 541	1 622 541	1 622 541	127 459	127 459	1 750 000	1 750 000

Justification:

There needs to be an adequate level of support in order to realise the objectives of the budget headings concerned. In view of the importance of the European Fisheries Control Agency and the high quality of its work, appropriations should be kept at levels as close as possible to those in the 2012 budget.

Draft amendment 6815

=== PECH/6815 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, Isabella Lövin, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Item 11 08 05 02 — European Fisheries Control Agency (EFCA) — Contribution to Title 3

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 08 05 02	1 693 541	2 693 541	1 622 541	1 622 541	1 622 541	1 622 541	2 805 000	2 805 000	4 427 541	4 427 541
Reserve										
Total	1 693 541	2 693 541	1 622 541	1 622 541	1 622 541	1 622 541	2 805 000	2 805 000	4 427 541	4 427 541

Justification:

The EU has significant international commitments for monitoring fisheries in international waters in 2013, notably the JICES. For 2013 the estimated cost of the patrol vessel would be 1.8 mio €. Additionally, 500.000 € is proposed for the development and/or purchase of a pilot project for a system of technology. The technology would be adaptable to other fisheries in the future. Finally, an amount of 505.000 € is proposed for the development of a new Electronic Inspection Report System that, once established, would significantly improve efficiency and reduce costs for Member States.

Draft amendment 6816

=== PECH/6816 ===

Tabled by Crescenzio Rivellini, rapporteur, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Article 11 09 05 — Programme to support the further development of an integrated maritime policy (IMP)

Amend figures as follows:

	Budget	2012	Draft bud	get 2013	Council's po	sition 2013	Differ	rence	New a	mount
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 09 05	16 560 000	2 370 532	_	15 240 000	_	12 240 000		3 000 000	_	15 240 000
Reserve										
Total	16 560 000	2 370 532	_	15 240 000	_	12 240 000		3 000 000	_	15 240 000

Justification:

Restore Draft Budget (DB).

Draft amendment 6818

=== PECH/6818 ===

Tabled by Crescenzio Rivellini, rapporteur, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 11 02 01 04

	Budget	t 2012	Draft bud	lget 2013	Council's po	sition 2013	Differ	rence	New a	mount
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 02 01 04							400 000	400 000	400 000	400 000
Reserve										
Total							400 000	400 000	400 000	400 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Establishment of a single instrument for commercial designations for fishery and aquaculture products

Remarks:

Add following text:

Commercial designations fall within the remit of each Member State's national authorities; a single instrument should be put in place to give European consumers guarantees that the various designations are transparent and coherent, and to make it easier to verify the information concerned.

The purpose of a pilot project would be to set up:

- a database containing all information in connection with commercial designations (codes from FAO nomenclatures, combined nomenclatures, customs nomenclatures, health nomenclatures or INN); the scientific names of species according to the FishBase system; names of species in the official languages of the Member States and, possibly, accepted regional or local designations);
- an expert system to analyse consistency between the various designations and nomenclatures;
- a dedicated Internet site.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 49(6) of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities (OJ L 248, 16.9.2002, p. 1).

Justification:

As part of the reform of the common organisation of the market in fishery and aquaculture products, the Commission is proposing o improve the labelling of those products (Chapter IV).

It is proposed that the mandatory information should include the commercial designation of all products, irrespective of their origin, marketed on Union territory.

Draft amendment 6819

=== PECH/6819 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, João Ferreira, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 11 02 04

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 02 04							2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000
Reserve										

		Budge	t 2012	Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
		Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
ĺ	Total							2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Support measures for small-scale inshore fishing and artisanal fishing

Remarks:

Add following text:

Add the following:

This appropriation is intended to finance support measures for small-scale inshore fishing and artisanal fishing which will help coordinate actions and channel funds from other instruments, with a view to dealing with the specific problems in this sector of the fishing industry.

The pilot project will involve:

- ? analysing the EU's small-scale fishing sector;
- ? identifying the EU instruments and funding sources that could be used by this sector;
- ? establishing the uses to which the instruments, actions, measures and funding available are being put by the small-scale inshore and artisanal fishing sector;
- ? analysing the extent to which existing instruments can meet the needs of the small-scale inshore fishing and artisanal fishing sector and, on the basis of that analysis, proposing any adjustments that may be necessary.

The intention is to lay the foundations for an EU support programme for small-scale inshore fishing and artisanal fishing which will help coordinate actions and channel funds from other instruments, with a view to dealing with the specific problems in this sector of the fishing industry.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Council Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 of 20 December 2002 on the conservation and sustainable exploitation of fisheries resources under the Common Fisheries Policy (OJ L 358, 31.12.2002, p. 59).

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 49(2) of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities (OJ L 248, 16.9.2002, p. 1).

Justification:

This pilot project will cover preparations for the establishment of an EU support programme for small-scale inshore fishing and artisanal fishing which will help coordinate actions and channel funds from other instruments, with a view to dealing with the specific problems in this segment of the fisheries sector. The intention is to supplement the existing provision for small-scale fishing under the EFF and the future EMFF, which is inadequate.

Draft amendment 6820

=== PECH/6820 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, João Ferreira, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 11 02 05

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 02 05							2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000
Reserve										
Total							2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000

Heading:

Pilot project — measures to improve the process of price formation of fish at first sale

Remarks:

Add following text:

Add the following:

This heading is intended to support measures to improve the process of price formation of fish at first sale, promoting a fair and adequate distribution of value added across the value chain, ie aimed at increasing the producer price without worsening the price to the consumer, as well as supporting measures to ensure that production costs are one of the variables to consider in setting prices for orientation.

This PP is complementary to the action he action of the "European Market Observatory" and it encompasses the proposal and implementation of measures to enhance the price of first sale of fish and promote a fair and appropriate distribution of value added across the sector's value chain.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Regulation (EC) No 104/2000 Council of 17 December 1999 establishing the common market organisation for fisheries products and aquaculture. (OJ L 17, 21.1.2000, p. 22)

Pilot project within the meaning of Paragraph 2 of Article 49 of Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 the Financial Regulation applicable to the budget of the European Communities (OJ L 248 16.9 .2002, p. 1)

Justification:

This amendment is intended to prepare the introduction of measures to promote a fair and adequate distribution of the added value across the value chain, taking into account that this is a cause of grave economic situation that crosses the fishing sector, following the European Parliament resolution on the European fisheries sector crisis due to the rise in oil prices of 12 May 2011. This PP will not overlap with the "European Market Observatory", being complementary to its action.

Draft amendment 6821

=== PECH/6821 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, Alain Cadec, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 11 02 06

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 02 06							400 000	400 000	400 000	400 000
Reserve										
Total							400 000	400 000	400 000	400 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Establishment of a traceability monitoring centre with a view to a single European public eco-label for fishery and aquaculture products

Remarks:

Add following text:

An eco-labelling scheme will provide a means of certifying that all products placed on the EU market meet the same social, health and environmental requirements. This will make it possible to promote commercial reciprocity, in particular as regards product freshness, quality, provenance and traceability, as well as working conditions.

This pilot project covers the establishment of a traceability monitoring centre bringing together representatives of all stakeholders at all levels (fishing and aquaculture industry, all levels of government, consumers) in order to lay down relevant criteria for the creation of an eco-label.

With a view to this, the monitoring centre will:

benchmark existing eco-labels

gauge stakeholder opinion on a dedicated website

lay down relevant criteria for the creation of an eco-label

draw up specifications

design a draft communication programme and logo to publicise the eco-label across the European Union produce a final report setting out all of the above and submit it to the Commission with a view to the drafting of a legislative proposal for the creation of an eco-label

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 49(6) of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities (OJ L 248, 16.9.2002, p. 1).

Justification:

Parliament has called several times (see A6-0219/2006 and A7-0207/20109) for the creation of a single European public eco-label for fishery and aquaculture products. The aim of the eco-label is to secure optimum traceability of fishery and aquaculture products sold in the EU, on the basis of clear criteria, including health, social and environmental quality. Fisheries resource conservation and sustainability requirements will also be laid down under the eco-labelling scheme.

Draft amendment 6822

=== PECH/6822 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, Alain Cadec, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 11 02 07

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 02 07							400 000	400 000	400 000	400 000
Reserve										
Total							400 000	400 000	400 000	400 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Networking of EU fish and aquaculture auction markets

Remarks:

Add following text:

Fish and aquaculture auction markets play an important role in economic terms (investment, economic attractiveness), social terms (spatial planning, employment), health terms (hygiene standards) and environmental terms (stringent controls).

This pilot project covers the setting up of a website-based platform for networking between EU auction markets. The platform will be run by a team of experts who will advise auction markets on how to post information online.

This Europe-wide information and exchange platform will provide market-related information to the public.

It will be used for forwarding and disseminating information on volumes, quality and prices for buyers of

fishery and aquaculture products.

It will be a public market watching tool, driven by a network of experts who will direct auction markets and all stakeholders in the production chain towards the information they require.

It will boost direct sales through the provision of direct, real-time information to buyers and the permanent availability of market analysis tools.

It will network auction markets, along the lines of the Fisheries Data Exchange Server (FIDES II), benefiting market players and, in particular, offering buyers a long-term vision of the EU market in fishery products.

It will include the establishment of a database on EU fish and aquaculture auction markets and their potential landing capacity, and will promote the exchange of best practice.

The appropriation for the pilot project will be used to disseminate information on the volumes, quality and price of the products available at the various auction markets around the EU. The funds will also be used to improve the operation of and expand the provision of information on the EU market for fishery and aquaculture products.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 49(6) of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities (OJ L 248, 16.9.2002, p. 1).

Justification:

The EU fishing industry needs to meet the volume and quality requirements of Europe's retailers, both large and small. There are wide variations in the volumes of fishery and aquaculture for sale at auction markets across the EU, and the organisations running those markets need to be able to give potential buyers information on the volumes landed as quickly and as easily as possible, so as to avoid fish going unsold and to make the EU market in fishery products more profitable.

Draft amendment 6823

=== PECH/6823 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, João Ferreira, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 11 06 14

	Budget 2012		Budget 2012 Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 06 14							2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000
Reserve										
Total							2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Establishment of a public insurance scheme to cover unforeseen events in the fishing industry

Remarks:

Add following text:

This appropriation is intended to support measures for the establishment of a public insurance scheme for the fishing industry that will provide cover in emergencies arising from unforeseen events such as natural disasters and the enforced suspension of fishing resulting from, for example, stock recovery plans or restrictions on access to essential inputs. The pilot project will involve looking into whether the protection schemes existing in other areas (such as farming) could be used in the fishing industry and whether any adjustments would need to be made to those schemes in order to do so.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Council Regulation (EC) No 1198/2006 of 27 July 2006 on the European Fisheries Fund (OJ L 223, 15.8.2006, p. 1).

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 49(2) of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities (OJ L 248, 16.9.2002, p. 1).

Justification:

The pilot project covers preparations for the establishment of a public insurance scheme that will act as a safety net for fishermen and vessel owners when unforeseen events occur in what is an extremely vulnerable sector.

Draft amendment 6824

=== PECH/6824 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, João Ferreira, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 11 06 15

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 06 15							2 500 000	2 500 000	2 500 000	2 500 000
Reserve										
Total							2 500 000	2 500 000	2 500 000	2 500 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Establishment of a fuel price stability guarantee fund

Remarks:

Add following text:

This appropriation is intended to cover the establishment of a guarantee fund to keep all fuel prices stable.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Council Regulation (EC) No 1198/2006 of 27 July 2006 on the European Fisheries Fund (OJ L 223, 15.8.2006, p. 1).

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 49(2) of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities (OJ L 248, 16.9.2002, p. 1).

Justification:

The upward tend in fuel prices is jeopardising the continued viability of countless fishing businesses. The Commission has not paid sufficient attention to this problem. Without prejudice to the adoption of further measures later, action needs to be taken now if there are not to be disastrous social and economic consequences. A guarantee fund co-financed by the EU should be set up to keep fuel prices stable, in line with Parliament's May 2012 resolution on the European fisheries sector crisis due to the rise in oil prices.

Draft amendment 6825

=== PECH/6825 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, João Ferreira, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 11 06 14

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 06 14							2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000
Reserve										
Total							2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Support measures for the fishing industry in connection with fuel price rises

Remarks:

Add following text:

This appropriation is intended to cover measures to help the fisheries sector deal with the serious crisis resulting from the significant increase in both petrol and diesel prices.

The pilot project will involve:

- analysing the impact that fuel prices rises are having in the various fleet segments in the Member States;
- looking into the possibility of using EU budget instruments and margins to fund extraordinary support measures that will enable the industry to cope with the difficulties resulting from fuel price rises until such time as other types of measures are introduced;
- taking short-, medium- and long-term measures to ensure the industry's sustainability.

The appropriation is intended to cover the drafting of proposals to make the EFF more effective in promoting vessel replacement and modernisation aimed at making the industry more sustainable by improving the selectivity of fishing gear and replacing engines in order to improve safety, protect the environment and save fuel, in particular in the small-scale inshore and artisanal sector, as well as to replace vessels that are more than 20 years old and are no longer safe.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 49(6) of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities (OJ L 248, 16.9.2002, p. 1).

Justification:

The substantial increase in fuel prices has made the crisis in the fishing industry much worse, further undermining the industry's economic viability and significantly reducing already scanty fishing incomes. The measures put forward by the Commission, in particular those seeking to improve energy efficiency, are medium-to-long term measures. Measures that will have a more immediate effect are also required, which is why this pilot project is being proposed.

Draft amendment 6826

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Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, Alain Cadec, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 11 07 04

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 07 04							600 000	600 000	600 000	600 000
Reserve										
Total							600 000	600 000	600 000	600 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Identification of areas suitable for the development of aquaculture in the European Union

Remarks:

Add following text:

Parliament is fully aware that, in accordance with the subsidiarity principle, coastal and marine spatial planning is a matter for the Member States. In many cases, however, efforts to develop aquaculture inside the European Union are being hampered by a lack of proper coordination of the interests of the various maritime stakeholders.

It is possible for the EU to make a useful contribution towards identifying areas suitable for the development of aquaculture without infringing the subsidiarity principle. This would provide a clearer European vision for the development of a reasonable, sustainable and extensive aquaculture industry by Member States.

Under this pilot project, funding will be provided for a study to identify areas suitable for the development of aquaculture across the EU, the findings of which will be made available to Member States and stakeholders in the aquaculture sector.

Aims of the study:

- to seek the views of representatives of the maritime sectors
- to identify areas suitable for the development of a reasonable and extensive form of aquaculture; this will include drawing up a map of high-potential areas
- to identify legal barriers to the establishment of aquaculture development zones

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 49(6) of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities (OJ L 248, 16.9.2002, p. 1).

Justification:

The proposal for a reform of the common fisheries policy stresses the growing role that aquaculture will play as a source of food in the future, on account of a number of factors. Aquaculture is an innovative industry that provides jobs and high-quality products that complement those supplied by European fishing industry, and should be given proper support. All forms of research that will help this industry to grow should be encouraged.

Draft amendment 6827

=== PECH/6827 ===

Tabled by Committee on Fisheries, Crescenzio Rivellini, rapporteur, Antonello Antinoro, Committee on Fisheries

SECTION III — COMMISSION

Add: 11 09 06

	Budget 2012		Draft budget 2013		Council's position 2013		Difference		New amount	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 09 06							350 000	350 000	350 000	350 000
Reserve										
Total							350 000	350 000	350 000	350 000

Heading:

Pilot project — Guardians of the Sea

Remarks:

Add following text:

a) Add the following:

Assess the feasibility for making the best possible use of active fishing vessels which need to leave the Community fleet and of fishermen's' experience and practical know-how to benefit both of the fishermen themselves and society at large.

- a) Test under near actual conditions the technical and economical viability of reorienting from fishing to maritime activities those active in the sector as crew members who cannot any longer make their living from fishing and possess maritime experience and knowledge at risk of being lost in case alternative sources of income are sought in land-based activities.
- b) Test under near-actual conditions the feasibility to reconvert fishing vessels into vessels operating as a platform for a number of environmental and maritime activities outside fishing, mainly collecting marine litter.
- c) Identify under near-actual conditions the operational cost needed for a vessel operating under the conditions above mentioned and the potential sources of funding. However, any such funding should be limited to supporting the starting up of activities that are self-sustaining in the long term.
- d) Identify the appropriate training needed for fishermen in order to perform new functions and achieve useful results.
- e) Support reduction of fishing capacity in line with CFP Reform objectives by providing positive incentives for vessel-owners and fishermen who leave the sector and encouraging them to find/develop alternative activities taking place at sea and/or in coastal areas.
- f) Encourage complementing activities to fishing for those fishermen staying in the sector.
- g) Identify the necessary administrative and legal framework for collaborating and coordinating the Guardians of the Sea' activities with the relevant authorities and/or relevant administrative bodies.
- h) Test under near-actual conditions the implementation of the concept "Guardians of the Sea" in the next programming period.

Legal basis:

Add following text:

Regulation (EC) No 104/2000 Council of 17 December 1999 establishing the common market organisation for fisheries products and aquaculture. (OJ L 17, 21.1.2000, p. 22)

Pilot project within the meaning of Paragraph 2 of Article 49 of Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 the Financial Regulation applicable to the budget of the European Communities (OJ L 248 16.9 .2002, p. 1)

Justification:

The aim should be to preserve jobs in coastal communities and to make the best possible use of fishermen's maritime experience and practical know-how so as to better integrate with the broader maritime economy, in order to enhance job prospects, to improve the conditions for the sector as well as for the individual fishermen, and to maintain fisheries communities as a source of quality of life in coastal areas.