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UN/FLUX for catch certificates

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Why catch certificates?

- **EU IUU Regulation (No 1005/2008)**
 - catch certification scheme for imports of fishery products.
 - catch certificates accompany every consignment coming into the EU
 - to ensure that fish was caught legally
 - in force already for 10 years (since 1 January 2010)
- **Paper vs Electronic**
 - **CATCH** system replaces paper
 - web-based IT application
 - procedures are automated
 - now available to EU stakeholders (authorities and operators)
 - in planning for third countries

Catch certification schemes/catch documentation schemes (CCS/CDS)

- **Purpose**

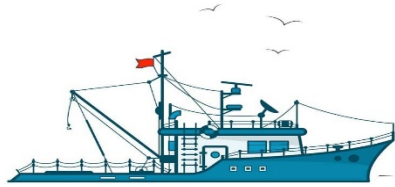
- to track the international trade of fishery products from catch/landing to the final market
- to prevent international trade of illegally caught fish

- **Existing schemes**

- EU Catch Certification Scheme (all marine caught fish with some exemptions) – CATCH IT
- ICCAT eBCD (electronic Bluefin tuna catch document programme)
- CCAMLR CDS for *Dissostichus* spp (catch documentation scheme for toothfish)
- CCSBT CDS (catch documentation scheme for southern bluefin tuna)

- **2017: FAO Voluntary Guidelines on catch documentation schemes will pave the way for even more regional and possibly national schemes**

Workflow



Flag State

- vessel lands fish
- fish is exported to EU
- catch certificate is required
- validating authority

Processing State

- processing plant
- processing statement doc
- endorsing authority

Destination

- importer
- importer declaration doc
- verifying authorities

FLUX for CATCH

- **CATCH is already up and running**

- **manual** data entry by EU operators (burdensome and inefficient)
- requests from third countries to implement web-services (**system to system**) communication
- it needs a single IT solution for data exchanges between **more than 90 countries**



UN/FLUX standard is the solution



**a new FLUX domain
for catch certificates and
catch documentation schemes**