

EFF 2007-2013 Closure



Seafood Development Operational Programme 2007-2013



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**Final Implementation Report
Ireland**

EFF 2007-2013

- EFF Programme implemented over period 2008 to 2015.
- Programme dispersed public aid of €63 million, supporting total investment of €92 million in Ireland's seafood sector.
- European Union contributed €42.3 million* of this support and the exchequer €21 million.
- Programme was implemented through 14 schemes.

Implementation Issues

Financial Crisis

- Period of exceptional economic turbulence and constraint arising from the 2008 international financial crisis.
- Impacted on –
 - National Exchequer co-financing capacity
 - Private sector appetite for investment
 - Access to credit.
- Significantly affected the full period of implementation of the Programme.

Other issues

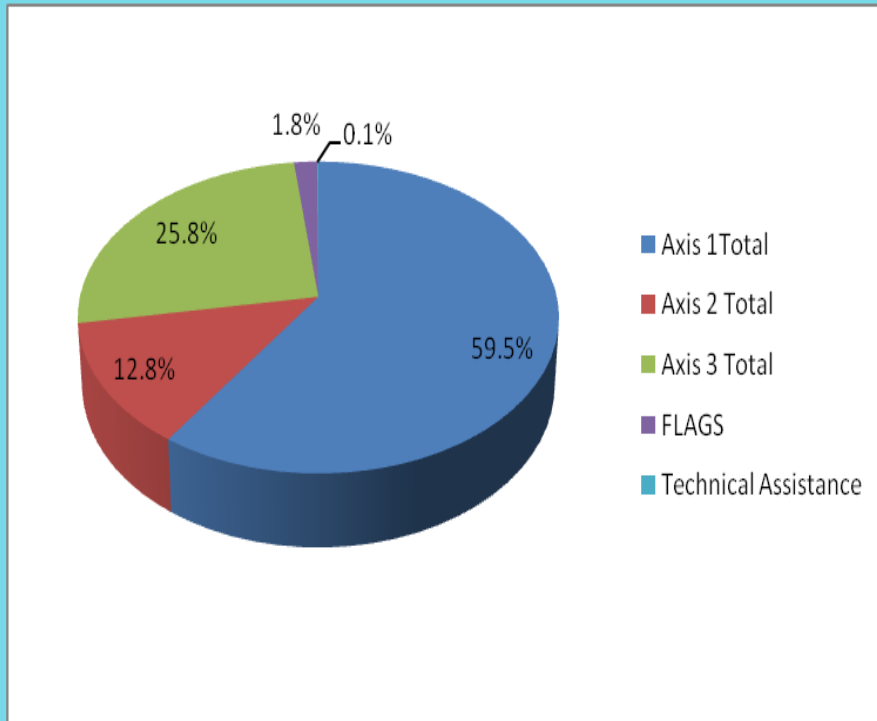
- Decommissioning Scheme target not achieved , leading to re-allocation of €4.8 million to other activities.
- Delayed establishment of FLAGs impacted on their potential to drawdown their original budget of €1.5 million.

Financials

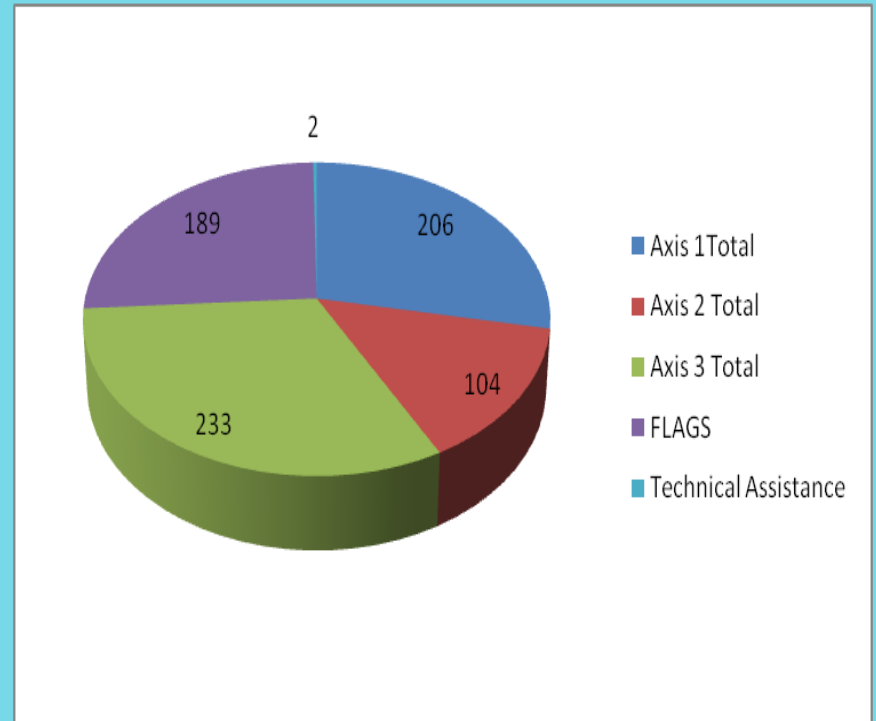
	Eligible Expenditure (€)	Public Aid (€)	EU contribution (€)
Priority Axis 1	€40,534,277.50	€37,667,254.32	€27,926,517.73
Priority Axis 2	€30,646,943.18	€8,130,536.27	€4,065,268.14
Priority Axis 3	€19,353,777.15	€16,368,685.93	€8,148,641.94
Priority Axis 4	€1,759,480.38	€1,120,252.55	€560,126.28
Priority Axis 5	€57,469.00	€57,469.00	€28,734.50
Grand Total	€92,351,947.21	€63,344,198.07	€40,729,288.58

+10% = €42,266,603

EFF Implementation



Expenditure by Priority Axis



Projects by Priority Axis

Investment Focus

Activity	No. Projects	Public Aid	% of OP Expenditure
Decommissioning	46	€36.4 million	57%
Seafood Processing	73	€6.8 million	11%
Fisheries Harbour Development	12	€9.1 million	14%
Collective Actions	132	€2.5 million	4%
Seafood Promotions	24	€2.4 million	4%
Aquaculture	31	€1.3 million	2%

Achievements

Priority Axis	Achievement
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Maintained Fleet Balance (46 Vessels Decommissioned)✓ 10 new Entrants to Fleet supported to purchase first vessel✓ 150 Vessels safety & quality standards upgraded
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Contributed to €125 million increase in Seafood Sales✓ Supported 436 New Jobs in Seafood Processing✓ 80% of Aquaculture Certified Organic
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Maintained Lobster Stock (34,655 Lobster v-notched)✓ 45 Vessels Certified to BIM Responsibly Sourced Standard✓ Contributed to €135 million increase in Seafood Exports
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ 189 local projects supported by FLAGs, creating 21 Jobs

Lessons Learned

“The only things worth learning are the things you learn after you know it all”
- Harry S Truman

- **Management of Operations**
 - Reduction in the Admin Burden
 - Development of New Grant Management System
 - Use of Simplified Costs
- **Access to Credit may be an impediment to investment**
 - Financial Instruments?
- **Reporting & Monitoring**
 - Needs to be more Results Based
 - Focus on collecting Real Data
- **Information & Publicity**
 - Need greater focus on promoting EMFF
 - Actively managed Website / Information Portal
 - Trade show / Events promotion of EMFF
 - Involvement of beneficiaries in promoting aid received

Next Steps

- Submission of Closure Documents by 31 March 2017
 - Final Implementation Report (FIR)
 - Final Balance & Final Statement of Expenditure
 - Final Control Report
- Commission has 5 months to confirm admissibility.
- DG Mare confirmed admissibility on 5th April 2017.
- Objective: Approval within one year of submission.



Questions