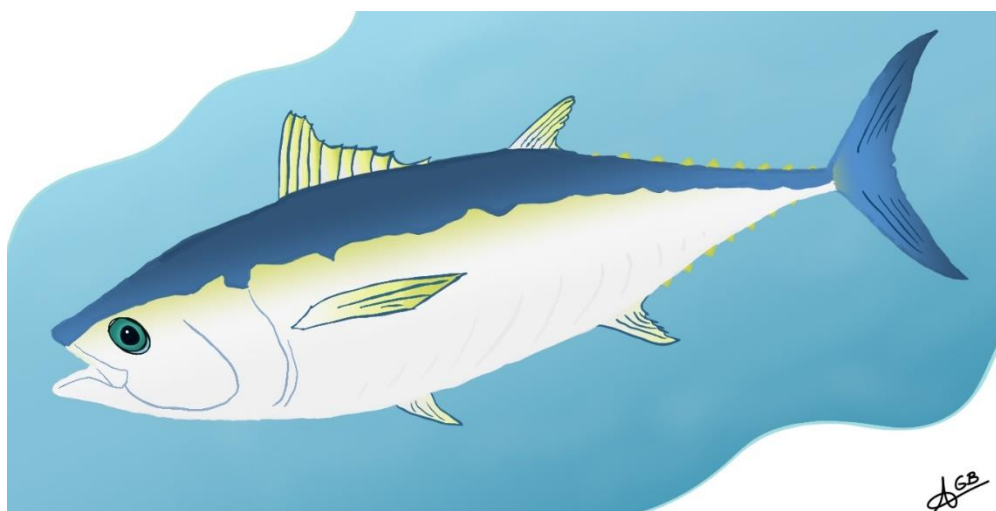


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Resolution 32. Action to recover the Atlantic bluefin tuna (*Thunnus thynnus*) population in the Eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean



Year	Congress
2012	
Sponsoring entity	Co-sponsoring entities
	WWF Spain, Balearic Ornithological Group, Lonxanet Foundation, Oceánidas, Oxygen Foundation.

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Petition	
<p>It proposes that IUCN Members who are members of ICCAT maintain their commitment to promote conservation and management measures for bluefin tuna in the Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean. Requests the Director General to request ICCAT at its next annual meeting to: implement measures to address non-compliance with ICCAT recommendations, apply sanctions involving the withdrawal of fishing rights from ICCAT members, create sanctuaries at the 2012 ICCAT meeting and improve implementation of the ICCAT Vessel Monitoring System (VMS) programme.</p>	
State	Fulfilment in Spain
Archived	In process
Summary of actions carried out with effect in Spain	
<p>ICCAT establishes a Multi-annual Management Plan for bluefin tuna in the East Atlantic and Mediterranean Sea, with annual campaigns starting in 2016, and Oceana calls for the closure of all purse seine fishing until the bluefin tuna stock recovers. ICCAT also provides data and tools to conserve bluefin tuna in the Mediterranean. They developed "PLANET TUNA", to increase knowledge about tunas and raise public awareness. They carry out the Great Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Project (GBYP). Proposal to list <i>Thunnus thynnus</i> in CITES Appendix I. (2020)</p> <p>UPDATE 2022</p> <p>Impacts and risks derived from climate change in Spain. (2020). Changes in the movements of bluefin tuna in Spain due to climate change.</p> <p>Maritime Space Management Plans. III. Diagnosis. The maritime sectors: current situation and forecasts of future or potential development B. South Atlantic Marine Demarcation . (2021). Talk about bluefin tuna.</p> <p>Maritime Space Management Plans. III. Diagnosis. The maritime sectors: current situation and forecasts of future or potential development C. Marine Demarcation of the Strait and Alborán. (2021). The Mediterranean is one of the few bluefin tuna breeding areas in the world, whose exploitation must be carefully supervised to guarantee the sustainability of the activity and the survival of the population.</p> <p>Maritime Space Management Plans. III. Diagnosis. The maritime sectors: current situation and forecasts of future or potential development D. Levantino-Balearic Marina Demarcation. (2021). The Mediterranean is one of the few bluefin tuna breeding areas in the world, whose exploitation must be carefully supervised to guarantee the sustainability of the activity and the survival of the population.</p> <p>Report on the state of Natural Heritage and Biodiversity in Spain to 2020. (2021). The fleet has set aside the use of longlines to catch bluefin tuna by ceding their quotas to other gear such as the almadraba or the purse seine, thus eliminating this cause of bycatch.</p> <p>Report of the Standing Committee on Research and Statistics (SCRS). (2021). Meetings in which the bluefin tuna situation is discussed.</p> <p>FEMP operational programme. (2022). Actions in the Mediterranean, such as the regulation of bluefin tuna.</p>	

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Legislation:

[Regulation \(EU\) 2016/1627](#) (Multi-annual recovery plan for bluefin tuna), [Royal Decree 46/2019](#) (regulation of the bluefin tuna fishery), Judgment of the National Court of 13/12/2019 (regulation of the bluefin tuna fishery), Order APM/264/2017 (regulating the bluefin tuna fishery). Resolutions of the General Fisheries Secretariat, establishing provisions: R. 15/02/2017 (allocation of bluefin tuna quotas and specific census), R. 25/06/2018 (prohibition of fishing, holding on board and landing of bluefin tuna in sport and recreational fishing), R. 06/07/2018 (bluefin tuna campaign 2018), Resolution 20/05/2019 (bluefin tuna recovery plan for 2019), R. 06/02/2020 (bluefin tuna quotas and specific census), R. 12/02/2020 (bluefin tuna campaign 2020 in the Canary Islands fishing grounds), R. 12/05/2020 (implementation of the tuna recovery plan for 2020).

Quotas have been reduced and it appears that the bluefin tuna population is recovering.

[Resolution of May 12, 2020](#), of the General Secretariat for Fisheries, establishing the provisions for the recovery plan for bluefin tuna in the Eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean for 2020.

[Judgment of June 29, 2020](#), of the Third Chamber of the Supreme Court, which declares that it partially upholds the contentious-administrative appeal 113/2019, against Royal Decree 46/2019, of February 8, which regulates the fishery of bluefin tuna in the Eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean.

[Resolution of the General Directorate of Fisheries and Aquaculture, of April 16, 2021](#), which establishes the precautionary closure of the bluefin tuna fishery (*Thunnus thynnus*) in the Canarian fishing ground.

[Legislative resolution of the European Parliament, of April 28, 2021](#), on the proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a multiannual management plan for bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean, amending the Regulations (CE) No. 1936/2001, (EU) 2017/2107 and (EU) 2019/833 and repeals Regulation (EU) 2016/1627 (COM(2019)0619 – C9-0188/2019 – 2019/0272(CODE)).

[Resolution of June 1, 2021](#), of the General Secretariat for Fisheries, establishing the provisions for the implementation of the bluefin tuna recovery plan in the Eastern Atlantic Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea for 2021.

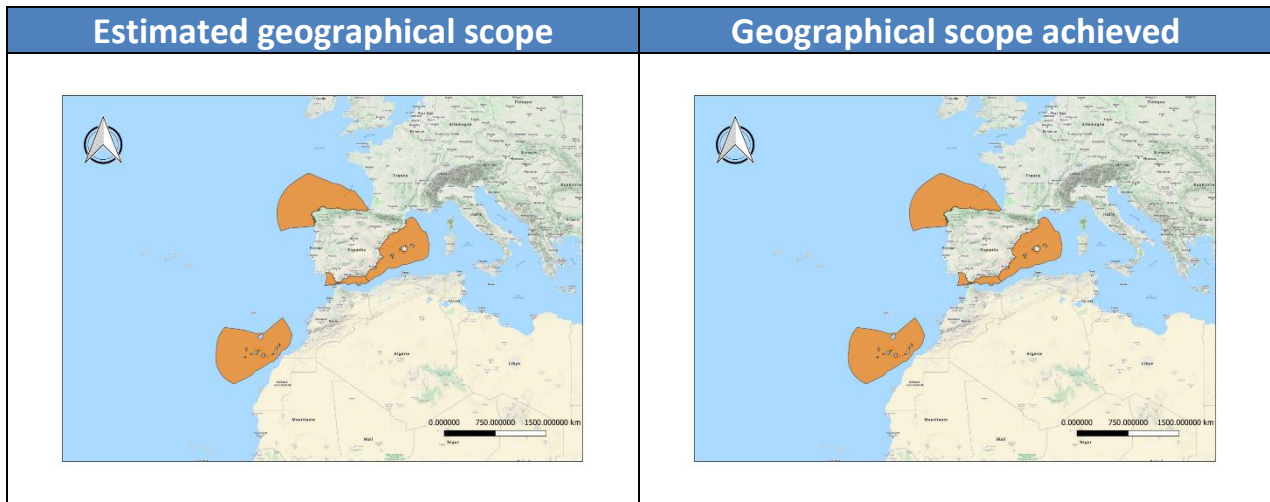
[Regulation \(EU\) 2022/109](#) of the Council of January 27, 2022 establishing for 2022 the fishing opportunities for certain stocks and groups of fish stocks applicable in Union waters and, in the case of fishing vessels of the Union, in certain non-Union waters.

[Resolution of May 19, 2022](#), of the General Secretariat for Fisheries, establishing the provisions for the application of the multi-annual management plan for bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea for 2022.

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