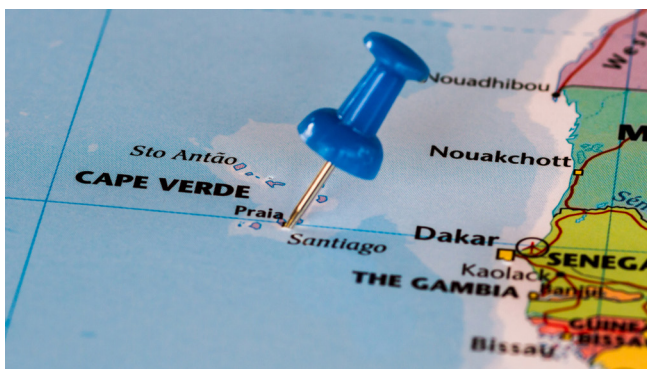


## Landings by foreign operators

AMP reported that landings into Cape Verde by foreign vessels totalled 8,000 t in 2014, which increased to 15,630 t in 2015 and 26,010 t in 2016. These landings have increased in recent years as links with the Mindelo processor, Atunlo, have promoted landings from Spanish flagged vessels. Port charges have been reduced to become more competitive with others in West Africa. However, AMP reports that 2017 saw a significant reduction in foreign landings overall (even though EU landings are up). With regard to EU flagged vessels, only Spanish and Portuguese longliners and Spanish purse seiners discharge into Cape Verde. French purse seine vessels choose to land catches made in the Cape Verde EEZ into Senegal.



## Fees and fishing opportunities

EU ship-owners paid on average EUR 489,361/year over the three years of implementation of the Protocol in access fees to the Public Treasury of Cape Verde. Two thirds of access fees are from the variable fees, one third from the fixed fees. In the three years to date, purse seiners have accounted for 42% of the variable fees, longliners 33% and pole and line 19%.

In total, Cape Verde received EUR 653,770 (year 1), EUR 636,015 (year 2) and EUR 978,298 (year 3) from the EU and EU ship owners in exchange for access.

Utilization of fishing opportunities has been good for the tuna purse seiners segment and for surface longliners. Over the four years of implementation of the Protocol, an average of 21 EU tuna purse seiners and 14 surface longliners obtained fishing authorizations under the Protocol. Concerning tuna purse seiners, almost 100% of tuna purse seiners active in the Atlantic Ocean obtained a fishing authorization, demonstrating interest in the fishing zone. For pole and line vessels, operation in the Cape Verdean fishing zone was restricted due to prohibitions of catching live bait within the 12 nautical miles, which is allowed in Senegal.



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## Cape Verde SFP



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## Cape Verde SFPA

The 2014-2018 Protocol provides fishing possibilities exclusively for highly migratory species for EU vessels fishing in Cape Verde waters, for a maximum of 71 EU tuna vessels to the Cape Verde fishing zone in exchange for an annual EU financial contribution: EUR 550,000 in the first two years of application, comprising EUR 275,000 for access and EUR 275,000 for support to the implementation of the national sectoral policy and EUR 500,000 in the last two years of application comprising EUR 250,000 for access and EUR 250,000 for support to the implementation of the national sectoral policy.



## Foreign fishery sector

The current Protocol grants fishing opportunities to fish tuna and other highly migratory species in 3 fishing categories with a reference tonnage of 5,000 t/year:

- 28 tuna seiners ■ 30 surface long liners ■ 13 pole-&-line vessels

Member States accessing these opportunities are France, Portugal and Spain.

Cape Verde offers fishing opportunities to fishing vessels from other states. A list of non-EU vessels licensed to fish in the Cape Verde EEZ in 2017 provided by the CV maritime and port agency (AMP):

- Japan 8 (longliners) ■ Senegal 6 (4 purse seine, 2 pole & line)
- El Salvador 4 (purse seine) ■ Curacao 3 (purse seine)
- Panama 2 (purse seine) ■ Belize 1 (purse seine)

Also, Cape Verde grants access to Japanese longline vessels via a contract.

## Main issues of Cape Verde SFPA

<b>Duration of the Agreement</b>	Five years renewable (30.3.2007 – 29.3.2017)
<b>Duration of the protocol</b>	Four years (23.12.2014 – 22.12.2018)
<b>Nature of the FPA</b>	Tuna Fishery Agreement
<b>Financial contribution</b>	<u>First two years of application:</u> €550,000 out of which EUR 275,000 to support the fisheries sector of Cape Verde. <u>Last two years of application:</u> €500,000 out of which EUR 250,000 to support the fisheries sector of Cape Verde.
<b>Fee for ship owners</b>	<u>First two years of application:</u> €55 per tonne caught (purse seiners, longliners and pole-and-line vessels) <u>Last two years of application:</u> €65 per tonne caught (purse seiners, longliners and pole-and-line vessels).
<b>Advances</b>	<u>First two years of application:</u> Tuna seiners: €4,950 per year (ref catches: 90t) Surface longliners: €3,190 per year (ref catches: 58t) Pole-and-line vessels: €450 per year (ref catches: 9t) <u>Last two years of application:</u> Tuna seiners: €5,525 per year (ref catches: 85t) Surface longliners: €3,250 per year (ref catches: 50t) Pole-and-line vessels: €585 per year (ref catches: 9t)
<b>Reference tonnage:</b>	<b>5,000 t/year</b>

Source: European Commission

## Target species and catches

Authorised species are highly migratory species (tuna and tuna-like species).

Since 2011 annual catches by EU tuna vessels have averaged 6,539 tonnes. They amounted to just under 10,000 tonnes in 2017, almost double the reference tonnage set by the Protocol. Catches are dominated by Spanish vessels, accounting for 98% of the catch in 2017. Tuna represented 70% and blue shark 20% of the total catch in 2017.

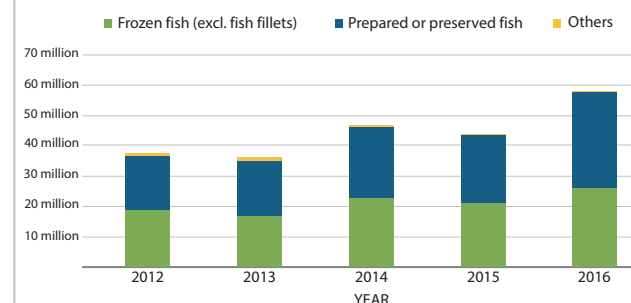
## Economy and market

The fisheries sector (particularly processing) is one of the growth drivers in Cape Verde.

Cape Verde has access to the EU market through a special incentive arrangement for sustainable development and good governance.

The Protocol has also contributed to the employment of Cape Verdean fishermen and to the employment on shore in processing of the raw material landed by the EU fleet.

### Cape Verde Exports of Fishery Products to the EU 2012-2016



Source: EUROSTAT Trade statistics, consulted on 12/12/2017

### EU-registered vessel landings into Cape Verde 2014-2017

Vessel landings	2014	2015	2016	2017	Average 2015-2017
Spain	5,240	6,406	10,583	17,915	11,635
Portugal	233	288	496	553	446
Total landings	5,474	6,693	11,079	18,468	12,080
Total catch under SFPA	9,699	4,966	4,494	9,982	6,481
Landings as a % of SFPA catch	56%	135%	247%	185%	186%

Source: AMP, DG MARE \*2017 data to November inclusive