EU–São Tomé and Príncipe Fisheries Partnership Agreement

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Council Regulation (EU) 2025/2257 on the allocation of fishing opportunities under the Protocol on the implementation of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe and the European Community (2025–2029)

Council Decision (EU) 2025/2139 on the signing, on behalf of the Union, and provisional application of the Protocol on the implementation of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe and the European Community (2025–2029)

What is changing and why?

The European Commission and São Tomé and Príncipe have agreed a new Implementing Protocol (2025–2029) to the current Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Union (EU) and São Tomé and Príncipe, with fishing opportunities for highly migratory species (including tuna, swordfish, and oceanic whitetip shark) in São Tomé and Príncipe's waters for 35 EU vessels.

The new Protocol will allow fishing opportunities for 26 tuna seiners and 9 surface longliners from the EU fleet. The EU will provide São Tomé and Príncipe a yearly financial contribution of €825,000 for access to the country's fishing waters and to support its sectoral fisheries policy.

Timeline

The Regulation applies from **6 October 2025**.

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