



Compilation of legal texts related to  
the implementation of the  
European Maritime and Fisheries Fund

*Article 40*

Excerpt

**Protection and restoration of marine biodiversity and ecosystems and compensation regimes in the framework of sustainable fishing activities**

In order to protect and restore marine biodiversity and ecosystems in the framework of sustainable fishing activities, with the participation, where relevant, of fishermen, the EMFF may support the following operations:

- (a) the collection of waste by fishermen from the sea such as the removal of lost fishing gear and marine litter;**
- (b) the construction, installation or modernisation of static or movable facilities intended to protect and enhance marine fauna and flora, including their scientific preparation and evaluation;**
- (c) contributions to a better management or conservation of marine biological resources;
- (d) the preparation, including studies, drawing-up, monitoring and updating of protection and management plans for fishery-related activities relating to NATURA 2000 sites and spatial protected areas referred to in Directive 2008/56/EC and relating to other special habitats;