



New Developments in MCS Technology

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Hybrid communication

- **Combines global coverage with cheaper coastal telecommunication technologies**
- **Integral devices – simplified installation and anti-tamper protection**

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Catch report transmission

- **Expanding mandatory VMS device with additional control functionality**
- **Advanced systems record and transmit each fishing action and catch in real time: inspection checks compare reported with real situation at any time**

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Embedded geo-zones

- Protected fishing zones are difficult to control
- Conventional VMS systems enable short intrusions into protected areas
- New technologies instantly alert entrance into protected area

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Subsidized fuel usage control

- **Some governments subsidize part of fuel price to fishermen**
- **Control of intended usage was difficult**
- **New technologies enable precise control if this fuel is used for fishing**

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Net authentication

- **Controls the usage of allowed nets and other tools**
- **Combines the net information with time and place of use**
- **Each tool is marked by fishery authority with unique robust authentication tag**

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Anti-tamper measures

- **VMS device tampering typically includes disconnection of VMS transmitter from power, sending false position reports and other**
- **New anti-tampering measures provide deterrence to tampering as well as evidence of tampering**

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Private distress button

- Expands mandatory VMS device with life-saving functionality
- Predefined messages, globally deliverable
- Plus Assistance messages: engine failure, medical condition, etc.



CONCLUSION

- **VMS is not any more only position, speed and course**
- **New technologies enable precise and reliable information, supporting many other important aspects of fishery control**
- **Application of new technology greatly improves the results of MCS efforts**

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Thanks!

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