

Japan's Efforts to Combat IUU Fishing for Sustainable Fisheries

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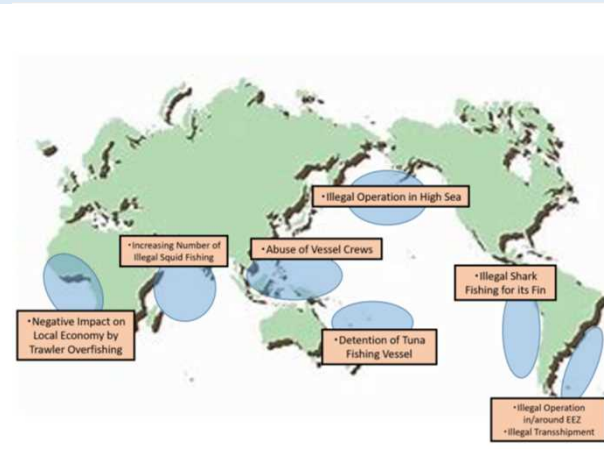
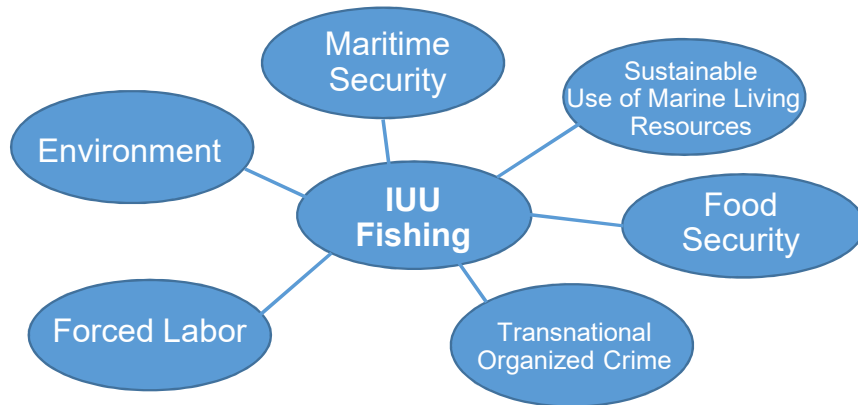
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Addressing IUU Fishing as a Global Threat for Sustainable Fisheries

● Growing importance of addressing IUU Fishing

- Not only a threat to sustainable fisheries, but also multifaceted problems
- Global issue with significant regional impacts
- SDG Target 14.4 advocating international commitment to end IUU fishing
- Important agenda at international forums and panels



● Barriers for Combatting IUU Fishing

- Lack of political will, data transparency and law enforcement capabilities



Further international cooperation and coordination is needed!

Japan's Efforts and Contribution to Combatting IUU Fishing (1)

● Bilateral Cooperation

- **Assistance to developing countries through ODA, such as**
 - provision of monitoring vessels to several African and ASEAN countries
 - capacity building programs for Pacific, African and ASEAN countries



Provision of a used patrol vessel to Vietnam



Signing the Exchange of Notes for a grant assistance to African Coastal Countries of the Indian Ocean



Training course provided by Japan Coast Guard (Photo:JICA)

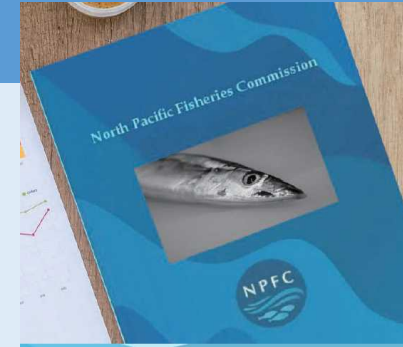
- **Bilateral Declarations to enhance cooperation towards combatting IUU Fishing: Japan-EU (2012), Japan-US (2015) and Japan-Thailand (2017)**

Japan's Efforts and Contribution to Combatting IUU Fishing (2)

● Multilateral Cooperation

➤ Contribution to RFMOs

- Preparation of IUU vessel list (NPFC)
- Designing and implementing Conservation and Management Measures (WCPFC)



➤ Multilateral Agreements

- Agreement on Port State Measures to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate IUU Fishing (PSMA)
- Agreement to Prevent Unregulated High Seas Fisheries in the Central Arctic Ocean



➤ Cooperation with international forums and organizations

- Confirmation of commitment in deliverables of leaders meetings (cf. G20 Osaka Leaders' Declaration)
- APEC Roadmap on Combatting IUU Fishing (2019)



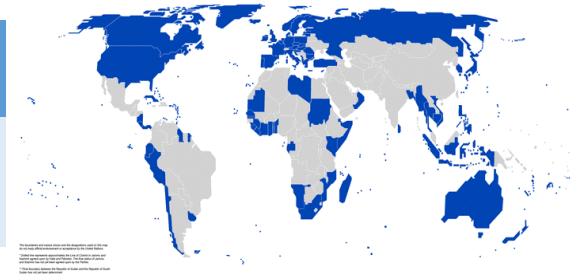
Towards Strengthening International Cooperation for Sustainable Fisheries

● Raise international community's awareness of IUU Fishing

- Continue to address the issue as global and diplomatic agenda
- Engage non-cooperating entities, not isolate them
- Enhance data transparency and information exchange
- Increase dialogue between relevant stakeholders, academia and think tanks

● Reinforce effectiveness of PSMA

- Encourage non-contracting parties to join the Agreement



● Continue to support capacity building of developing countries

- Key to enhance monitoring, control, surveillance and law enforcement capabilities



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