

COOPERATION BETWEEN STAKEHOLDERS: THE Mediterranean Advisory Council (MEDAC)

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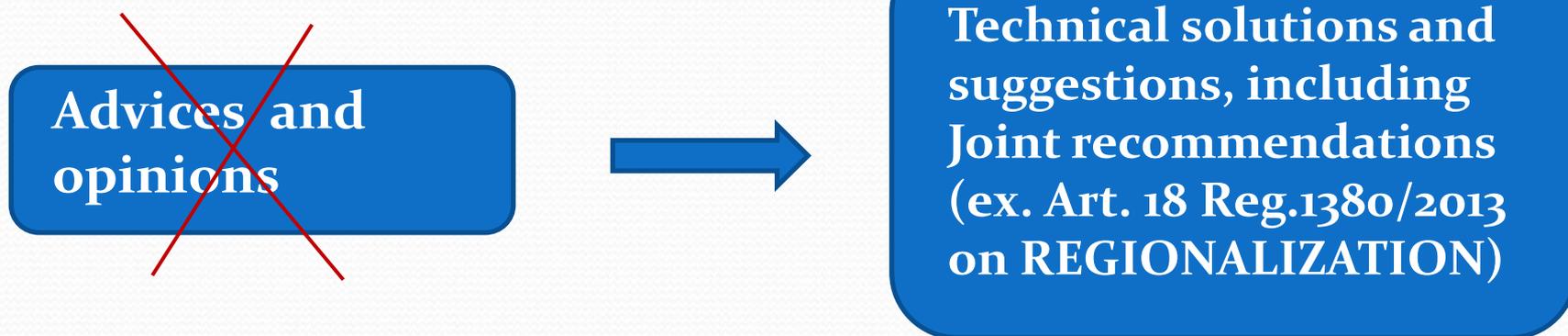
What are the (Regional) Advisory Councils(CC/AC)?

- Originally created by Council Decision EC/2004/585 and later amended by Council Decision 2007/409/CE as **regional** stakeholders organizations pursuing an aim of general European interest
- Completely repealed by EC Regulation 1380/2013 on CFP Reform, creating 11 Advisory Councils **not limited at the regional level anymore.**
- Advisory Councils will still be financed by the European Commission on a yearly basis



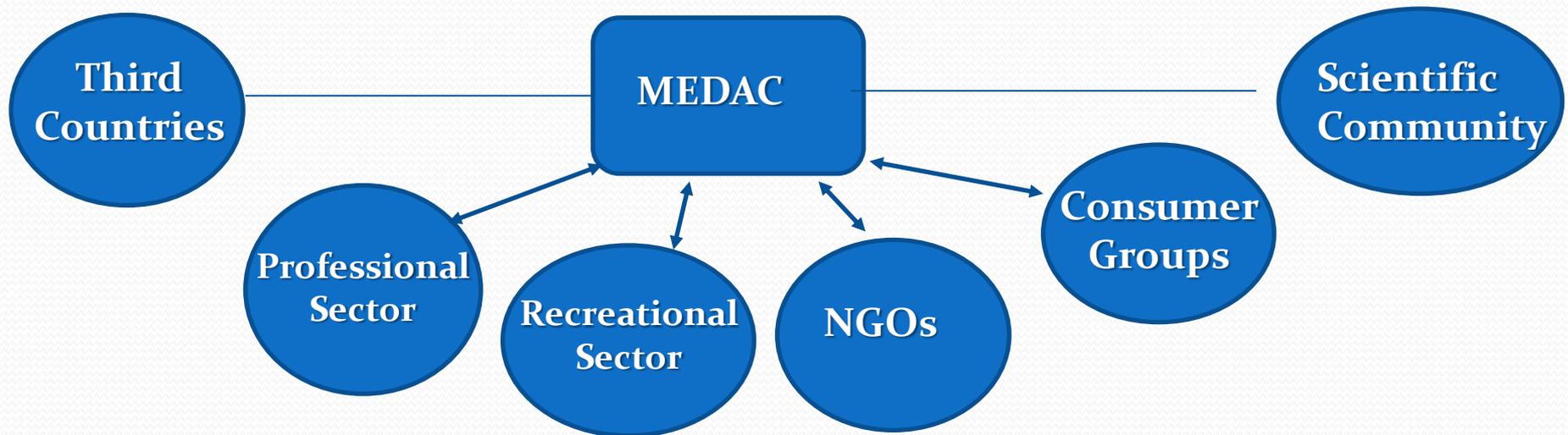
What is MED(R)AC

- The MED(R)AC is a stakeholder-led organization and its role is to enable the European Commission to benefit from the knowledge and experience of stakeholders in the formulation and implementation of fisheries management measures.

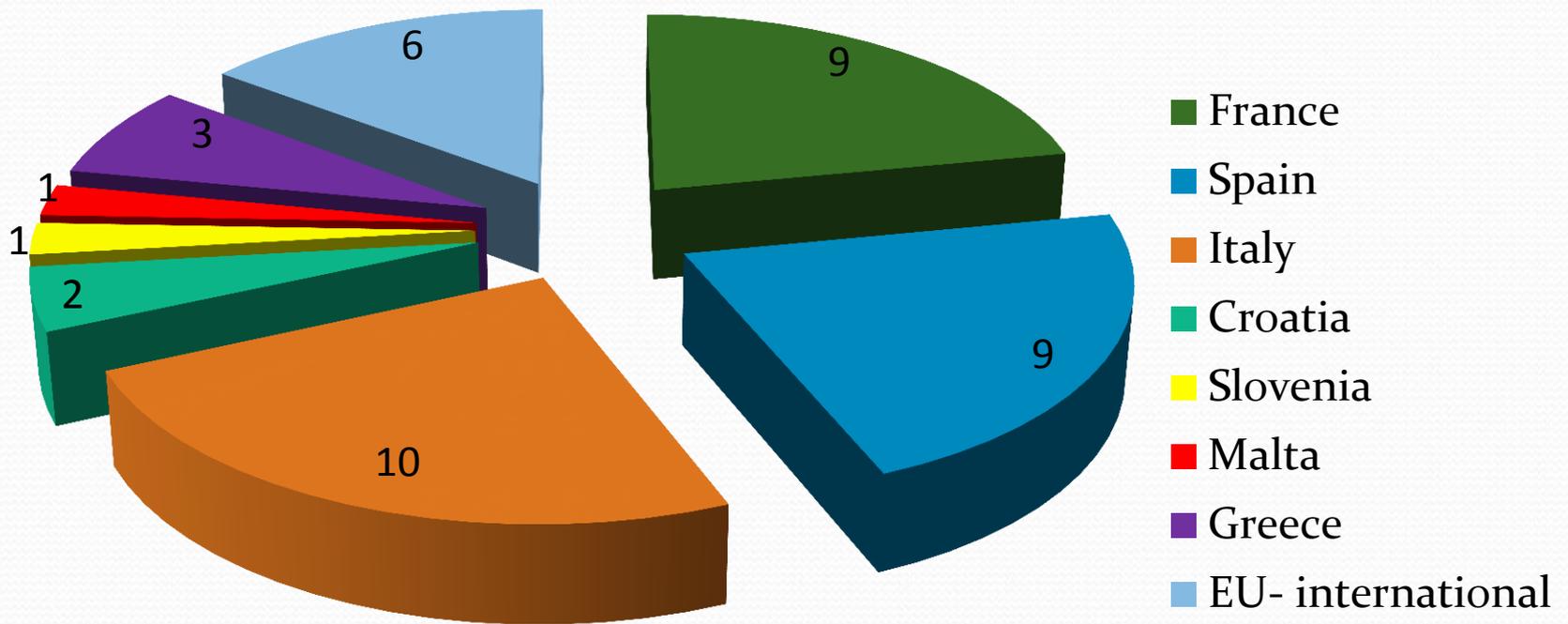


MEDAC's Structure

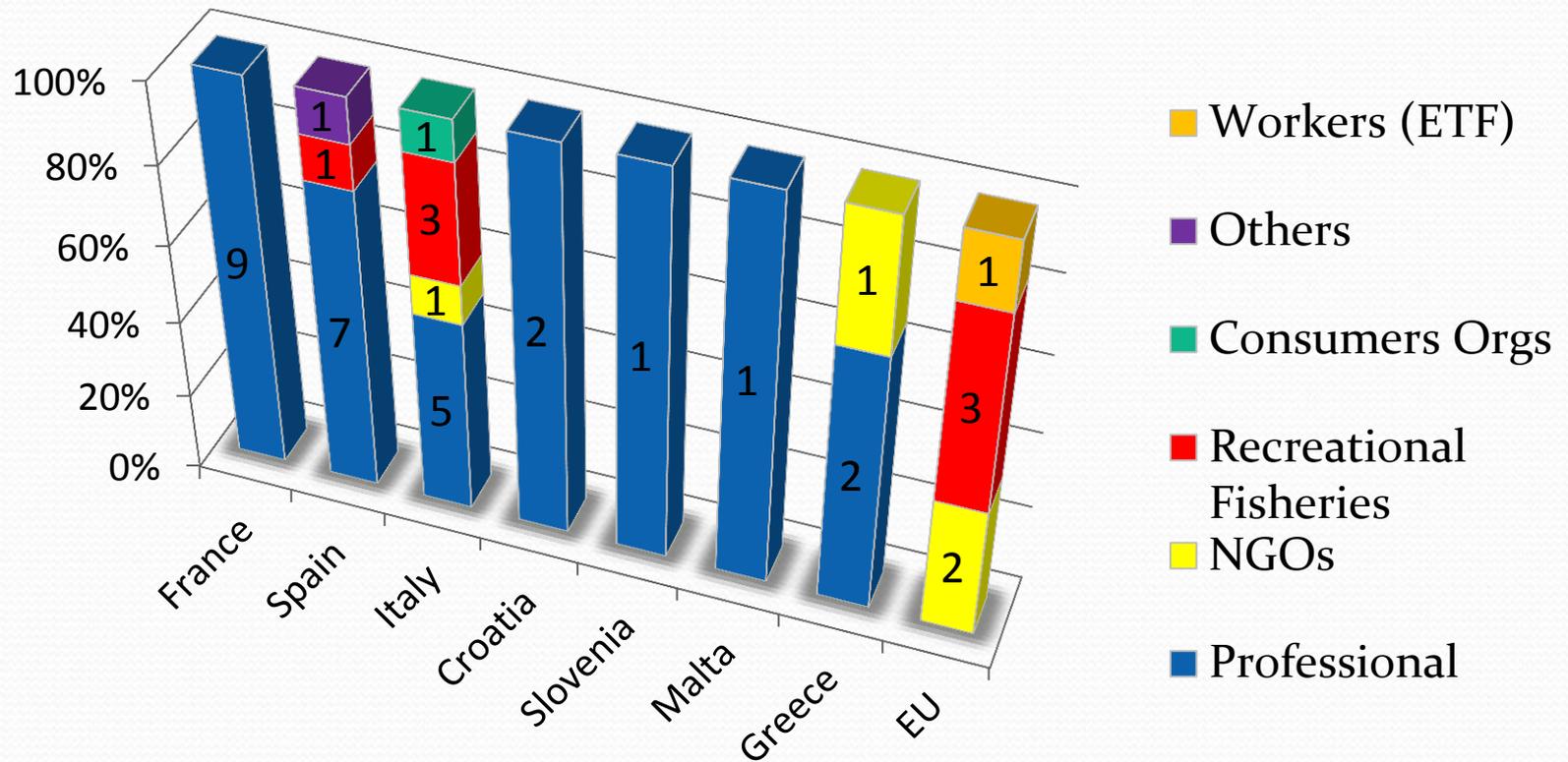
- MEDAC's diverse composition (60% professional sector and 40% other interest groups) and members' different interests represents a big challenge because sometimes dissenting opinions has to be mediated in order to reach a general consensus to reflect the various points of view on several subjects



MED(R)AC Membership by Nationality



MED(R)AC Membership by Professional/Other interest groups



MEDAC – Advices on:

| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|--|----------------------------|---|--|---|
| Technical Measures | Control Regulation | Definitions of Recreational Fisheries | Data collection Framework (EMFF) | Omnibus |
| Possible differentiated regime for small-scale coastal fisheries | Recreational Fisheries | Recreational Fisheries according to the EC Mediterranean Regulation | Bluefin Tuna (BFT-E) | Joint Recommendation of Discards Management Plans |
| Jurisdiction of waters in the Mediterranean Sea | Shared Stocks | Reform of the CMO | Basic Standardized Regulation on Marine Recreational Fisheries in the EU Mediterranean Countries | Work in progress towards the regionalised LTMP (small pelagic) |
| Bluefin Tuna (BFT-E) | Swordfish (SWO-MED) | Draft Regulation of the EMFF | | |
| | Mediterranean Regulation | Regionalization | | |
| | Bluefin Tuna (BFT-E) | Bluefin Tuna (BFT-E) | | |
| | Proposal of the CFP Reform | | | |

Main goals

- In the identification of management and technical measures :
 - Best available scientific advice
 - Precautionary approach
 - Social and economic sustainability (impact)
 - Enforcement (co-management and stakeholders' compliance)

Thanks for your attention!

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