

APPLICATION FORM – LIFE OASIS “Smart Gear” aFAD 2026 Competition

Improving the dolphinfish fishery through anchored fish aggregating devices

Initial information

This form is used to register the vessel and submit an initial proposal for participation in the “Smart Gear” competition organised under the LIFE OASIS project. Participation is open to professional fishers operating in the dolphinfish/Coryphaena fishery with aFADs in the project’s eligible areas. The organisers may request additional documentation to verify eligibility and complete the application.

If the application is admitted or selected, participation may involve conducting an at-sea trial lasting at least 4 weeks, providing photographs and a brief operational report, and cooperating with project interviews, documentation or filming activities.

*Fields marked with * are mandatory.*

1. Personal and contact details

Full name *

DNI / NIE / Passport *

Telephone *

Email *

Preferred language for communications

- ☐ Spanish
- ☐ Majorcan Catalan
- ☐ Italian
- ☐ English
- ☐ Other: _____

2. Vessel details

Vessel name *

Registration mark / registry folio / registration number *

Base port *

Usual fishing port and area *

Fishermen's guild, association or fisheries organisation, if applicable

Person responsible for the vessel, if different from the applicant

Territory of participation *

☐ Balearic Islands

☐ Sicily

☐ Malta / Gozo

3. Eligibility

Do you operate in the dolphinfish/Coryphaena fishery using aFADs? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Do you hold a valid fishing licence/authorisation for this activity? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Is the vessel registered and authorised for this activity? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Do you declare that you are not subject to any administrative sanctions that would prevent you from taking part in the competition? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Do you authorise the organisers to request additional documentation to verify eligibility? *

☐ Yes

4. “Smart Gear” proposal

Strategic area addressed by the proposal * (the options are not mutually exclusive; both may be selected)

☐ Area 1: recovery, reuse or recycling of the mooring system, mooring line and associated components.

☐ Area 2: enhancement of the aFAD’s “oasis” effect, operational efficiency, safety and reduction of environmental risks.

5. Participation commitments

☐ I have read and accept the Rules of the “Smart Gear” aFAD 2026 Competition. *

☐ I declare that the information provided in this form is true and accurate. *

☐ I understand that the organisers may request clarifications or additional documentation to verify the information provided. *

☐ I understand that, if my proposal is admitted or selected, I may be required to conduct or support an at-sea trial in accordance with the competition rules. *

☐ I agree to provide photographs of the device, its deployment, use at sea and recovery if my proposal progresses to the relevant stage. *

☐ I agree to provide a brief operational report including dates, observations and basic trial results, where applicable. *

☐ I agree, where feasible and in coordination with the organisers, to cooperate with interviews, documentation or filming activities related to the LIFE OASIS project. *

☐ I declare, under my own responsibility, that I am up to date with all payment obligations and have no overdue, certain and enforceable debts with any public authority or third party. *

Fields marked with (*) must be completed in order to participate.

7. Use of images, data protection and confidentiality

☐ I authorise LIFE OASIS and its partners to use photographs, videos or recordings produced or provided in connection with the competition for project communication and dissemination activities, reports, websites, social media, presentations and publications, in accordance with applicable law. *

☐ I understand that I may withdraw my consent for future uses in accordance with applicable law. *

Would you like to designate any part of your proposal as confidential? If so, please specify the information you consider confidential.

☐ I consent to the processing of my personal data for the management of the application, evaluation, communications, monitoring and reporting requirements of the “Smart Gear” aFAD 2026 Competition under the LIFE OASIS project, and I authorise its consortium to retain the documentary evidence required to demonstrate my participation in the competition in accordance with the funding conditions of the LIFE Programme and CINEA. *

Would you like to receive information or join the “LIFE OASIS – Fisherman Stewards of the Seas” group?

☐ Yes

☐ No

8. Basic data protection information

- Data controller: Alnitak
- Contact: coordination@lifeoasis.eu
- Purpose: to manage the application, evaluation, communications, monitoring, verification, reporting and audit of the competition under the LIFE OASIS project.
- Recipients: the organising entity, authorised project partners, evaluators or experts involved in the competition and, where necessary, funding bodies, auditors or competent authorities.
- Rights: data subjects may exercise their rights of access, rectification, erasure, objection, restriction of processing and data portability by writing to coordination@lifeoasis.eu.