

THE LAST CATCH

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SYNOPSIS

European bluefin tuna can grow to the size of a passenger them migrate from the Atlantic to spawning grounds in the Mediterranean. Fact is that tuna stocks face collapse. Yet they are still being fished during spawning season. The fishermen, too, are facing extinction: They can only service the loan debt on their boats by continuing to fish. While some have used questionable means to secure fishing licenses for still plentiful Libyan waters, the rest are left to trawl the already overfished areas. The Mediterranean fishermen's desperate fight for survival is coming to a head. In the intense images the film tells a parable of hope, disillusionment and desperation. It exposes the mechanisms of a value chain, which is destroying its own basis with a strategy based on shortsighted greed. In the end both the fish and the people loose.

FESTIVALS

Bergen International Film Festival
CinemAmbiente Environmental Film Festival - Best int.
Documentary
FIPA, France
NaturVision Filmfestival Ludwigsburg - Audience Award &
German Environment&Sustainability Award
CPH:DOX Copenhagen International Documentary Film

CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Markus CM Schmidt · PRODUCER Carl-Ludwig
Rettinger · SCORE Niko Schabel · EDITOR Sebastian Winkels,
Markus CM Schmidt · DOP Axel Schnepat, Susanna Salonen

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85 min

ORIGINAL TITLE
DER LETZTE FANG

FORMAL CATEGORIES
Current Affairs, Conflicts,
Sustainability, Nature/Animals,
Ecology/Environment, Economy

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES
French, English, Japanese

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