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## **Peer Reviewer Shortlist Consultation for the PNG Fishing Industry Association's purse seine Skipjack & Yellowfin Tuna Fishery**

The MSC's Peer Review College has compiled a shortlist of potential peer reviewers to undertake the peer review for the [PNG Fishing Industry Association's purse seine Skipjack & Yellowfin Tuna Fishery](#) which is in a scope extension assessment process with the Conformity Assessment Body SCS Global Services. One peer reviewer will be selected from the following list:

- Giuseppe Scarcella
- Joe Powers

A summary of their experience and qualifications is included on the following pages. Further details of their experience are available on request by email to the [Peer Review College](#).

Interested stakeholders are encouraged to submit comments on potential conflicts of interest of the shortlisted reviewers with the fishery to the Peer Review College by email, telephone or post at the number and address below.

For further details and background to the Peer Review College, please visit [this page of the MSC's website](#).

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The deadline for responses to the consultation is **17:00 UTC, 10 days from the publication date of this announcement on the MSC's website.**

### Giuseppe Scarcella

Dr Giuseppe Scarcella has a PhD in Marine Biology and Ecology and has been a contracted research scientist at the Italian Institute of Marine Sciences - National Research Council since 2008. During these years, he has gained experience in benthic ecology, and population dynamics. He has considerable international field knowledge, such as with EU working groups (DGMARE), STECF, ICES, GFCM, and the FAO regional projects MedSudMed, Adriamed and Eastmed. In addition, he is collaborating with numerous scientific institutions in the horizontal framework project MAREA (scientific advice for the implementation of the Common Fisheries Policy in the Mediterranean Sea).

As a scientist at CNR-ISMAR, Dr Scarcella is responsible for the sampling design and statistical analyses of several fisheries research programs in the Mediterranean and Black sea, including on artificial structures and their impact on the marine environment. In the framework of such activities he has gained experience in stock assessment, management plans, benthic ecology, fish assemblages of artificial structures, analysis of stomach contents, fisheries ecology, and the application of EAF principles to fisheries management. In 2010 he moved to Cyprus, where he is collaborating as a consultant.

Dr Scarcella is an experienced MSC assessor covering Principle 1 and 3 issues. In the last five years he worked as MSC assessor in several areas including the Mediterranean Sea, North Sea, Iceland, South Pacific and South Africa.

### Joe Powers

Dr Powers has been involved in fisheries issues for more than 40 years, conducting stock assessments, coordinating international stock assessment research, communicating scientific advice to fishery management councils and commissions and also serving as the senior marine fisheries manager in the southeast US. His background includes: Professor of Marine Resource Assessment at Louisiana State University; Senior Stock Assessment Scientist of the US's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) southeast region, Laboratory Director of a NMFS facility; lead US scientist for Atlantic tuna, swordfish and billfish species for the International Commission for the conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT); Chair of the Scientific Committee of ICCAT; Chair of the Stock Assessment Committee for Southern Bluefin Tuna; Chair of the Scientific Committee of the Gulf of Mexico Fisheries Management Council. He has also worked on numerous Marine Stewardship Council assessments of tunas, swordfish, hake and other fisheries resources in the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian Oceans.