# Estonia North East Arctic cold water prawn and cod fishery

## Marine Stewardship Council Certification

## Certification Body: DNV Business Assurance

## Addition of new Latvian vessel – GAP analysis

The certificate owners have requested DNV GL for a scope extension of the certified fishery (cert code MSC-F-31405) by addition of a new Latvian vessel; Laima owned by SIA North Star. This vessel has not former been identified as Other eligible fishers as it is owned by another Latvian company than the existing Latvian company which is already added to the certificate by a full scope extension.

DNV GL has therefore carried out a GAP analysis to identify the assessment components of the new proposed fishery to confirm which assessment components are the same as for the certified fishery, and if a full scope extension is needed.

*According to FCP 7.27.5, if all the assessment tree components of the new fishery are the same as for the certified fishery, the fishery is an other eligible fisher even though the new fisher group was not clearly identified at the start of the assessment.*

The GAP analysis revealed that the assessment and scoring for all the nine assessment components listed in the analysis are identical with the original assessment, and the new Latvian vessel is an other eligible fisher. Therefore a full scope extension process (FCP Annex PE) is not needed.

The GAP analysis report is now being released and an updated certificate is issued.

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