



**Norway North East Arctic haddock fishery**  
**Marine Stewardship Council Certification**  
**Certification Body: DNV GL - Business Assurance**  
**Nominations for Assessment Team members**

DNV GL - Business Assurance (DNV GL) is currently undertaking the reassessment of the Norway North East Arctic haddock fishery against the Marine Stewardship Council Standard for Sustainable Fishing.

To assist with this full-assessment, DNV is in the process of assembling an assessment team comprising of members with experience and expertise in the areas of stock assessment, ecosystem interactions and fishery management appropriate to this fishery.

The candidates proposed as team members for this fishery full-assessment are set out below together with a brief resumé of their experience and expertise.

Stakeholders are invited to provide comments on the suitability or otherwise of any of the nominees. We would, however, ask for any comments by **5 PM GMT on 16. May 2013** prior to continuing the assessment process.

Please use “**MSC template for stakeholder input v1**” for submission of your comments.

The template can be downloaded from the link:

<http://www.msc.org/documents/scheme-documents/forms-and-templates/msc-template-for-stakeholder-input-into-fishery-assessments/view>

**John Nichols – Principles 1 and 3, and Team Leader:** John Nichols is a retired UK government fisheries biologist with 42 years research experience in plankton ecosystems in the North Atlantic specializing in the taxonomy of North Atlantic & NW European plankton including phytoplankton, micro and meso-plankton, ichthyoplankton and young fish. He has been a member of ICES working groups on herring, mackerel, horse mackerel, sardine and anchovy assessments; and mackerel and horse mackerel egg surveys. He was also a member of ICES study groups on herring larval surveys and plankton sampling. He was scientist in charge of numerous research vessel surveys for fish stock assessment purposes and directly involved in the assessment of pelagic and western demersal fish stocks from 1994 to 2000. Since retirement from his government post he has participated in numerous MSC assessments as the Principle 1 expert. The assessments include the Thames estuary herring, PFA North Sea Herring, Hastings Fleet Dover sole, the north–east coast of England bass fishery, the SW mackerel handline fishery re assessment, the Norwegian pelagic fisheries, the Norwegian saithe fisheries and a North Sea plaice fishery. He has also been a peer reviewer for two MSC reports on Scottish pelagic fisheries.

**Dr. Stephen Lockwood - Principle 2:** Stephen Lockwood is an independent marine environment consultant with over 40 years' experience of marine fishery and environmental research and management. From 1967 to 1999 he was a government fishery scientist at the



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Fishery Laboratory (now Cefas) Lowestoft and then Conwy, North Wales. His research covered fishery coastal ecology, stock assessment and management, and fishery interests in coastal zone management. As a consultant he has prepared environmental impact assessments for a variety of coastal and offshore developments and contributed as a peer reviewer, assessment team member and annual surveillance auditor for numerous UK, European and North American fisheries seeking MSC certification.

**Guro Meldre Pedersen - Chain of Custody & DNV GL Project manager.** Pedersen was involved in the initial accreditation process for DNV GL for the MSC programme, and since joining DNV GL - Business Assurance as Global Seafood Coordinator in 2010 she has been supporting the MSC Fishery and Chain of Custody programmes, including participation in accreditation audits. She has participated in site visits and contributed to MSC assessment processes for Norway North Sea saithe, Norway North East Arctic saithe, Norway spring spawning herring and Norway North Sea and Skagerrak herring fisheries. She has been project manager for several MSC Fishery pre-assessments.

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