



Announcement:

**Third Annual Surveillance Audit, 2009
Patagonian scallop (Vieira Patagónica)**

OIA will be conducting this audit, starting Monday 14th September in Mar del Plata and continuing in Buenos Aires until Wednesday 23rd September 2009.

The Assessment Team is:

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Lic. M. Sánchez De Bock, OIA Secretary, Buenos Aires, Argentina

The MSC holds CV's for all of these people, who have all been involved in the Patagonian scallop Full Assessment.

All Stakeholders will be notified by e-mail, MSC and OIA website presentation and telephone backup.

The Audit will cover the Conditions established in the Full Assessment (2006), consider the Recommendations made, Milestones set up for the Third Year and all new information relating to:

- Potential or actual changes in management systems.
- Changes or additions/deletions to regulations.
- Personnel changes in science, management or industry to evaluate impact on the management of the fishery.
- Review any potential changes to the scientific base of information, including stock assessments.
- Audit compliance with, the progress and performance against, certification conditions.

OIA welcomes written comments from all Stakeholders interested in the Fishery.

We anticipate completing the report by the end of September.

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