

INFORMATION TO STAKEHOLDERS

CLAMS AND COCKLE FISHERY FROM RIA DE AROUSA (PUNTA PORTOMOURO TO PUNTA PEDRA RUBIA AREA) Sociedad Cooperativa Gallega Ria de Arousa – Galicia -Spain

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BUREAU VERITAS Certification is currently undertaking the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) fishery full assessment of the CLAMS AND COCKLE FISHERY FROM RIA DE AROUSA (PUNTA PORTOMOURO TO PUNTA PEDRA RUBIA AREA) in Galicia-Spain, for the client "Sociedad Cooperativa Gallega Ria de Arousa".

The name of the species covered by the assessment and described in the units of certifications of this fishery were not exact regarding the scientific denomination.

Regarding the World Register of Marine Species whose content is controlled by taxonomic experts, not by database managers, has an editorial management system where each taxonomic group is represented by an expert who has the authority over the content, and is responsible for controlling the quality of the information. Therefore the expert for Principel 1 and 2, Miguel Gaspar has considered that to be scientifically accurate the changes below had to be applied:

Venerupis corrugata: http://www.marinespecies.org/aphia.php?p=taxdetails&id=181364

Venerupis decusata: http://www.marinespecies.org/aphia.php?p=taxdetails&id=422914

Venerupis philippinarum: http://www.marinespecies.org/aphia.php?p=taxdetails&id=367756

This alteration does not affect the conformity of the applicant and still consistent with the MSC standard. The modifications requested intents to adjust to the current scientific names.

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