



Russia Sea of Okhotsk Pollock Fishery
MSC Certification
Certification Body: Intertek Moody Marine

Confirmation of Peer Reviewers

Following consultation on the proposed peer reviewers, a peer review panel has been selected for the Russian Sea of Okhotsk Pollock fishery. Dr. Pavel A. Balykin, Dr. Geir Hønneland and Dr. Kevin Stokes have been confirmed as the peer reviewers to undertake the review of the draft report of the Russian Sea of Okhotsk Pollock fishery.

Dr. Pavel A. Balykin – Dr. Balykin graduated in 1978 from the Astrakhan University of Fisheries and Fishing industry in Aktrakhan, Russia. From October 1978 to September, 2007, he worked in the Kamchatka research institute of a fisheries and oceanography (KamchatNIRO) in Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky). His last position was as the head of the marine fishes laboratory. Since September, 2007 until present, he works at Southern scientific centre of the Russian Academy of sciences (Rostov-ON-Don) as the head of laboratory of ichthyology. In 1990, he defended the dissertation of Cand.Biol.Sci. on Alaska pollock of the western sea Bering at 1990. In 2001, he received a rank « the Honored worker in the Russian Federation Fisheries». He defended the dissertation of Dr.Sci.Biol. on resources of fish of the western Bering sea at 2007. Dr. Balykin is the author of more than 100 scientific publications on ichthyology, ecology and fishery issues, including five books. The area of his scientific interests includes water biological resources of a northwest Pacific (the western Bering Sea, eastern Okhotsk Sea, Pacific Ocean at east coast of Kamchatka). He has repeatedly participated in the international meetings on fisheries as an expert and member of the Russian delegation.

Dr. Geir Hønneland - Geir Hønneland is Research Director of the Fridtjof Nansen Institute, Norway. He holds a Ph.D in political science, speaks Russian fluently and has followed the developments of Russian fisheries politics for one and a half decades. Among his books are Russian Fisheries Management: The Precautionary Approach in Theory and Practice (Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, 2004) and Implementing International Environmental Agreements in Russia (Manchester University Press, 2003) (including fisheries agreements), and he has published a number of articles about Russian fisheries management in peer reviewed journals. Mr. Hønneland also has wide range of evaluation experience, e.g. for the FAO relating to the FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries. In summer/fall 2008, he performed a country study of Russian fisheries management for the OECD. In 2010, he participated as an MSC assessment team member in the evaluation of the Barents Sea Cod and Haddock Fisheries.

Dr. Kevin Stokes - Dr Kevin Stokes has experience in all three MSC Principle areas, both as a practitioner and as a reviewer. He has acted as a reviewer for MSC assessments, has carried out pre-assessments for clients, has supported clients during certification and re-certification assessments, and was actively involved in MSC default assessment tree, performance indicator and scoring guideline developments.

Kevin was Chief Scientist with the New Zealand Seafood Industry Council Ltd (SeaFIC) from 2000 to 2009, having previously worked for 15 years in the United Kingdom at the Lowestoft fisheries laboratory. Kevin has extensive fisheries science, policy and operations experience and has worked globally with and for industry

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