

Marine Stewardship Council Fishery Announcement

Name of Fishery	Lake Hjälmaren pikeperch fish-trap and gillnet
Assessment number	Second re-assessment
Reduced re-assessment (Y/N)	N/A
Statement that the fishery is within scope	The fishery has been through preliminary checks and is confirmed as meeting the scope requirements in CR2.0 FCR 7.4.
Certificate sharing statement	N/A
Estimated Length of Full Assessment & Timeline	10 months. Full timeline can be downloaded on the MSC website.

Name of proposed Team Leader	<p>Andy Hough (P2) - Andy has been active in the development of Marine Stewardship Council certification since 1997, when involved in the pre-assessment of the Thames herring fishery. He was a founding Director of Moody Marine, led the establishment of Moody Marine fishery certification systems and has represented Moody Marine at all MSC workshops until 2011. He has also worked with MSC on several specific development projects, including those concerned with the certification of small scale/data deficient fisheries.</p> <p>He has been Lead Assessor (and often also expert team member) on many fishery assessments to date. This has included Groundfish (e.g. cod, haddock, pollock, hoki, hake, flatfish), Pelagics (e.g. tuna species, herring, mackerel, sprat, krill, sardine) and shellfish (molluscs and crustacea); included evaluation of the environmental effects of all main gear types and considered many fishery administrations including the North Atlantic, South Atlantic, Pacific, Southern Ocean and in Europe, North America, Australia and New Zealand, Japan, China, Vietnam and Pacific Islands. He has recently acted solely as an expert team member of Principle 2 inputs of European inshore fisheries and Falkland Islands Toothfish.</p> <p>He has carried out peer reviews for various CABs including fisheries for molluscs, crustacea and freshwater finfish. Other assessments include Chain of Custody assessments for merchants, processors, distributors and retailers.</p> <p>Andy has passed MSC training and has no Conflict of Interest in relation to this fishery.</p>
Leadership Experience	<p>Andy has undertaken multiple MSC surveillance and assessments in the past 5 years</p>

Name(s) of proposed assessors	<p>Sture Hansson (P1) - Prof. Hansson has 40 years of experience in aquatic ecology, primarily in fish and fisheries ecology. His research has had a focus on Baltic Sea ecology and addressed questions related both to coastal/archipelago issues and the open sea. On the applied side, he has worked with problems related to effects of fishing activities, eutrophication, discharges from pulp and paper industries, oil pollution and dredging operations. Prof. Hansson is exceptionally knowledgeable in pikeperch. Most recently he run a 5 year long biomanipulation project with the objective to increase a local pikeperch population to such an extent that a trophic cascade should be generated, resulting in increased water clarity. He is regularly appointed expert member of the Swedish Land and Environment Courts.</p> <p>Geir Hønneland (P3) - Geir Hønneland holds a PhD in political science from the University of Oslo (2000) and has studied international fisheries management (with main emphasis on enforcement and compliance issues), international environmental politics and international politics in Polar regions. He has been affiliated with the Fridtjof Nansen Institute in Oslo for more than 20 years and has acted as director since 2015. Among his fisheries-related books are Making Fishery Agreements Work (Edward Elgar, 2012; China Ocean Press, 2016), Law and Politics in Ocean Governance: the UN Fish Stocks Agreement and Regional Fisheries Management Regimes (Martinus Nijhoff, 2006), Russian Fisheries Management: The Precautionary Approach in Theory and Practice (Martinus Nijhoff, 2004) and Coercive and Discursive Compliance Mechanisms in the Management of Natural Resources (Kluwer, 2000; Springer, 2014). Before embarking on an academic career, he worked five years for the Norwegian Coast Guard, where he was trained and certified as a fisheries inspector. Geir has been involved in MSC assessments since 2009 and has acted as P3 expert in more than 30 full assessments and re-assessments, as well as a number of pre-assessments and surveillance audits. His experience from full assessments includes a large number of demersal, pelagic and industrial fisheries in the Northeast Atlantic and Southern Ocean, as well as inland fisheries. In the Northeast Atlantic, he has covered the international management regimes in the Barents Sea, Norwegian Sea, North Sea, Skagerrak, Kattegat and the Baltic Sea, as well as national management regimes in Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Russia, Iceland, Faroe Islands, Greenland and Scotland, as well as the EU level and the enforcement component of other EU countries, such as Germany, Netherlands and the UK.</p> <p>All proposed assessors have passed MSC training and has no Conflict of Interest in relation to this fishery.</p>
Local Context	Both Sture and Geir have had assignments in the region in the last 10 years.
Traceability	Andy has completed the MSC traceability module in the last 3 years.
RBF	Andy has completed the RBF training.

Assessment tree to be used	<p>Acoura propose to use the default assessment tree as defined in FCR 2.0.</p> <p>RBF may be used to score some PIs (see separate announcement).</p>
Site visit	<p>The site visit will be held in Stockholm, Sweden during the week commencing the 8th January 2018.</p> <p>A key purpose of the site visit is to collect information and to speak to stakeholders with an interest in the fishery. For those parts of the assessment involving the MSC's Risk Based Framework (RBF) see http://www.msc.org/about-us/standards/methodologies/fam/msc-risk-based-framework, Please note we will be using a stakeholder-driven, qualitative analysis during the site visit. To achieve a robust outcome from this consultative approach, we rely heavily on participation of a broad range of stakeholders with a balance of knowledge of the fishery. We encourage any stakeholders with experience or knowledge of the fishery to participate in these meetings.</p> <p>We invite Stakeholders to contact Acoura Marine to receive updates on this assessment, to meet with the team during the dates specified above or to organise a call or further meeting in the event that logistics present complications. Contact: fisheries@acoura.com, tel: 0044 (0)131 335 6662</p> <p>We also invite written Stakeholder submissions to the email above. The MSC provide guidance and templates for stakeholder contribution which can be found here:</p> <p>https://www.msc.org/documents/get-certified/stakeholders</p>

We expect to conduct any meetings as required the week commencing 8th January 2018 in Stockholm, Sweden.

If you would like to talk to the assessors, please advise us of your interest by 22nd December 2017, giving the following:

- » your name and contact details;
- » your association with the fishery;
- » the issues you would like to discuss (in order for us to arrange appropriate representation).

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