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Peer Reviewer Shortlist Consultation for ISF Iceland greater silver smelt fishery

The MSC's Peer Review College has compiled a shortlist of potential peer reviewers to undertake the peer review for the fishery listed below:

[ISF Iceland greater silver smelt](#)

The fishery is in its initial assessment process with the Conformity Assessment Body, Global Trust Certification. Three peer reviewers will be selected from the following list:

- Chrissie Sieben
- Gudrun Gaudian
- Martin Van Brakel
- Randy Ericksen

A summary of their experience and qualifications is included on the following pages. Further details of their experience are available on request by email to the [Peer Review College](#).

Interested stakeholders are encouraged to submit comments on potential conflicts of interest of the shortlisted reviewers with the fishery to the Peer Review College by email, telephone or post at the number and address below.

For further details and background to the Peer Review College, please visit [this page of the MSC's website](#).

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The deadline for responses to the consultation is **17:00 UTC, 10 days from the publication date of this announcement on the MSC's website.**

Chrissie Sieben

Chrissie Sieben has a Master's Degree in Marine Environmental Protection which she obtained at the University of Wales, Bangor, and specialises in marine and fisheries ecology, marine environmental impact assessments and sustainable fisheries development. She was the MSC fisheries scheme manager at ME Certification Ltd (which later became CU Pesca) up until December 2018. Previous to joining MEC, she worked as a fisheries consultant and marine ecologist on UK-based and international projects. Chrissie is now an independent assessor with over eight years' experience with the MSC certification requirements and has acted as team leader and Principle 2 assessor on a range of preassessments, surveillance audits and full assessments of demersal and pelagic fisheries in the Atlantic, Mediterranean, Indian Ocean, Southern Ocean, Pacific and Caribbean. She also regularly participates in MSC training sessions and workshops. Chrissie speaks fluent French and Dutch in addition to English.

Gudrun Gaudian

Dr Gaudian is an experienced marine ecologist and taxonomist, including coastal and marine surveys, EIA's for development and tourism, and research projects in tropical and temperate seas. Work experience also includes coastal and marine management issues, such as identifying sustainable coastal development projects, as well as addressing conservation issues, including selection and planning of marine parks and reserves, sustainable utilisation of natural resources and community based management programmes. Projects have been undertaken in temperate, polar and tropical marine regions. Since 2010 Dr Gaudian has been working on fisheries certification applying the MSC standard for sustainable fisheries, primarily as Principle 2 assessor, both as Team Leader and Team Member. Other relevant work carried out includes pre-assessments, peer reviews and MSC workshops. Furthermore, Dr Gaudian holds an LLM degree in Environmental Law and Management, giving a deeper understanding of law and policy dealing with such relevant issues as the Common Fisheries Policy, water and waste management, and international environmental law including EU environmental policy and Law of the Sea. Dr Gaudian has passed MSC Team Leader training v1.3 and v 2.0, as well as ISO 19011 training.

Martin Van Brakel

Dr. Martin van Brakel is an independent expert consulting on a range of fisheries and aquaculture related projects, contributing his 25+ years' expertise in coastal and inland fisheries. Recent assignments include the design and guidance of a catch assessment survey underpinning a business case for fish value chain development in the Karnali River, Nepal, and technical guidance for transboundary fisheries management in the Lower Mekong River Basin. He has been involved in stock assessment of coastal small pelagics, using length-based or length converted cohort analysis of data available from commercial fisheries, specifically scad mackerel stocks in Cape Verde and hilsa shad in Bangladesh. Recently he has been involved in the reassessment of the Cornwall sardine fishery as Principle 1 expert. He has also been involved in the review of previous MSC assessments, amongst which Lake Chany perch and pike-perch fishery, Lake Mälaren and Lake Vänern pikeperch fishery, and Lake Hjälmarén pikeperch fish-trap and gillnet fishery. He has an MSc in Biology, with focus on fisheries and aquatic ecology, as well as a PhD in aquaculture.

Randy Ericksen

Randy has 35 years of experience working in the areas of fish stock assessment, monitoring, escapement goal evaluation, run forecasting and international fisheries sustainability. He received a M.S. degree in Fisheries Science from the University of Alaska, Fairbanks and has worked with government agencies, commercial and recreational fisheries groups, indigenous groups, and national and international nongovernmental organizations. Randy is the author of numerous reports, fishery assessments, management plans, and scientific articles on fish population dynamics, fish conservation, fishery and hatchery management. He has been a speaker at international forums in the US, Canada and Russia. He has conducted preassessments for Russian and Chinese fisheries and assessed fisheries for the Monterey Bay Aquarium Seafood Watch Program. In addition, he completed an assessment of tuna fishery improvement efforts in Indonesia for WWF. Randy is currently founder and fisheries advisor at RP Ericksen Consulting.