

**Estonia North East Arctic cold water prawn fishery – Expedited audit**  
**scope extension UK vessel**

**Marine Stewardship Council Certification**  
**Certification Body: DNV GL Business Assurance**

**Notification statement**

The intent of the expedited audit is to include a UK vessel that fish for cold water prawn in the Barents Sea (ICES Ia,b IIb).

In line with the extension of scope requirements (FCR v. 2.0, PE2.1.1), DNV GL can confirm that:

1. The target P1 species of the new proposed UoA was previously assessed under P2 of the existing fishery certificate
2. There is broad overlap with the gears and areas in the original UoA.
  - a. The two fisheries are in the same geographical region;
  - b. The two fisheries use identical fishing gears.

A gap analysis was carried out, assessing the degree of overlap between the proposed new Unit of Assessment (UoA) and the already certified UoA fishery. The gap analysis revealed that the assessment and scoring for four of the nine assessment components listed will be identical between the original and the new assessment.

The expedited assessment would involve an assessment against the harvest strategy component under Principle 1, the retained species and habitat components under Principle 2 and the governance and policy and fishery specific management components under Principle 3 (see Appendix 1).

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