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## Peer Reviewer Shortlist Consultation for the DFPO Mussel, Cockle and Oyster Fishery

The MSC's Peer Review College has compiled a shortlist of potential peer reviewers to undertake the peer review for the [DFPO mussel, cockle and oyster fishery](#) which is in a re-assessment process with the Conformity Assessment Body MRAG Americas, Inc. One peer reviewer will be selected from the following list:

- Chrissie Sieben
- Terence James Holt

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.

### Terence James Holt

Dr Terry Holt is an independent marine environmental consultant, with longstanding experience of managing marine consultancy projects, assessments, and surveys. He holds a BSc. degree in Marine biology and a Ph.D. in Seaweed Cultivation. He is a former director of CMACS Ltd and Niras Consulting Ltd, and has over 35 years' experience in seabed ecology, including shellfish ecology, marine aquaculture (both research and commercial), fish and invertebrate surveys including scallops and other commercial shellfish, seabed surveys including trawl, dredge, grab, pots, camera and acoustic, and a variety of environmental impact assessments. He has provided expert advice on molluscan fisheries at planning enquiries and has published on trawl damage to seabed communities and on sensitivities of biogenic reef habitats. Dr Holt has been involved in MSC pre-assessments, main assessments, annual audits and peer reviews for queen scallops, mussels, cockles, clams and oysters in Europe, Canada and South east Asia since 2001, and has also contributed to pre- and full assessments of longline and trawl fisheries. He contributed at early MSC workshops on the development of generic scoring guidelines and refining of assessment method. In 2000 he carried out a preliminary assessment of a number of U.S. aquarium fish wholesalers and retailers against draft sustainability standards on behalf of MAC (Marine Aquarium Council). He has also carried out assessments of fishing vessels/crew under the UK Sea Fish Industry Authority's Responsible Fishing Scheme and passed the training course for the MSC's recently released standards for seaweed certification.