

SAI Global

ISF Norwegian & Icelandic herring trawl and seine

Stakeholder Notification of changes in the re-assessment team

To assist with this Re-Assessment, SAI Global wishes to announce changes in the Re-Assessment Team. The proposed Re-Assessment Team comprises members with experience and expertise in the areas of stock assessment, ecosystem interactions and fishery management appropriate for this fishery. The changes are outlined below:

- Dr. Géraldine Criquet is now the Lead Assessor in replacement of Dr. Virginia Polonio who is no longer available for being part of the re-assessment team. Explanation on how Géraldine meets the qualification and competency criteria in Annexe PC Table PC1 and confirmation that she has no conflict of interest in relation to the fishery under re-assessment is provided in Annex 1.
- Conor Donnelly was already part of the re-assessment team announced on 12th July 2019 as assessor responsible for Principle 3. He is now taking over responsibility on Principle 2 and Traceability as well. Explanation on how Conor meets the competency and qualification criteria in Annexe PC Tables PC2 and PC3 and confirmation that he has no conflict of interest in relation to the fishery under re-assessment is provided in Annex 1.

Following the change, the composition of the re-assessment team is:

- Dr. Géraldine Criquet (Lead Assessor)
- Conor Donnelly (Assessor responsible for Principle 2, Principle 3 and Traceability)
- Dr. Maciej Tomczak (Assessor responsible for Principle 1). Explanation on how Maciej meets the competency and qualification criteria in Annexe PC Tables PC2 and PC3 and confirmation that he has no conflict of interest in relation to the fishery under re-assessment is provided in the Stakeholder Notification of change of Conformity Assessment Body posted on 12th July 2019 on the MSC website.

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Annexe 1 – Re-Assessment Team Competencies and Qualifications

Dr. Géraldine Criquet – Lead Assessor

Dr. Géraldine is a member of SAI Global's internal fisheries team.

Géraldine is an MSC approved Fisheries Lead Assessor for SAI Global - experienced fishery scientist in both Finfish and Shellfish fisheries, and ecosystems considerations. Géraldine holds a PhD in Marine Ecology (École Pratique des Hautes Études, France) which focused on coral reef fisheries management, fish biology and ecology and ecosystem impacts. She worked 2 years for the Institut de Recherche pour le Développement (IRD) at Reunion Island for studying fish target species growth and connectivity between fish populations in the Indian Ocean using otolith analysis. She has also been involved during 2 years in stock assessments of small pelagic resources in the Gulf of Biscay as part of a collaborative project with IFREMER. She served as Consultant for FAO on a Mediterranean Fisheries Program (COPEMED) and developed and implemented a monitoring program of catches and fishing effort in the Marine Natural Reserve of Cerbère-Banyuls (France). Géraldine is an experienced full time MSC Lead Assessor with SAI Global, successfully leading MSC certifications and assessment teams and acting as Principle 2 expert for multiple MSC Pre, Full and Surveillance audits in Europe and North America.

Géraldine meets the Fishery Team Leader Qualification and Competency Criteria outlined in FCR v.2.0 Annex PC, Table PC1.

She has:

- A degree in a relevant subject.
- 3 years' fisheries experience.
- Pass MSC's fishery team leader training at least every 3 years.
- Pass MSC's annual fishery team leader training on updates to the fishery requirements within 3 months of the effective date of new requirements and prior to undertaking assessments against new requirements.
- Pass the Lead Auditor ISO 19011 course.
- Have undertaken 2 MSC fishery assessment or surveillance site visits as a team member in the last 5 years.
- Experience in applying different types of interviewing and facilitation techniques.

Géraldine has a PhD in Marine Ecology and Biology. She completed MSC's Fishery Team Leader training both for FCR v.2.0 and FCP v.2.1. She has more than 3 years fisheries experience through involvement in numerous fisheries research projects as outlined in the above biography. Géraldine led numerous MSC assessments in the last 5 years in Europe and North America and has participated in numerous site visits.

Géraldine is fluent in English which is the common language used by the key stakeholders in Iceland.

Géraldine will be in charge of coordinating the Assessment Team's work and be responsible for the completion of the re-assessment in accordance with FCP v.20.

Géraldine does not have any conflicts of interest in relation to the fishery under assessment.

Conor Donnelly – Assessor responsible for Principle 2, Principle 3 and Traceability

Conor is a member of SAI Global's internal fisheries team.

Conor is an experienced marine ecologist and environmental manager with a background of over 17 years at the UK statutory nature conservation body, Natural England, where he was Senior Marine Adviser responsible for marine delivery across the East Midlands, Norfolk and Suffolk. He has a BSc. in Environmental Science from King's College, University of London and an MRes. in Marine and Coastal Ecology and Environmental Management from the University of York.

Conor has extensive experience of working with fisheries managers, the fishing sector, local communities and eNGOs, particularly from assessing the environmental impacts of mussel, cockle and shrimp fisheries in The Wash, UK and providing advice on their management. He was Natural England's representative on the Eastern

Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority and its predecessor. He also advised and supported the UK's Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) on fisheries casework in the southern North Sea under the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP) including meetings with other member states. Other experience includes Marine Protected Area designation, conservation advice and condition assessment; conservation legislation and policy; and working with partners and stakeholders to deliver positive environmental outcomes.

Conor meets the Fishery Team Member Qualification and Competency Criteria outlined in Annex PC, Table PC2. In addition, he meets the Principle 2 and Traceability components of the Fishery Team Qualification and Competency Criteria in Annex PC, Table PC3; he has:

- A degree in a relevant subject.
- 5 years' fisheries experience.
- Passed MSC's fishery team member training within the last 3 years.
- Undertaken at least 2 MSC fishery assessment or surveillance site visits in the last 5 years.
- 5 years' or more experience as a practicing fishery manager and/or fishery/policy analyst.
- 5 years more experience in research into, policy analysis for, or management of, fishery impacts on aquatic ecosystems.
- Pass MSC's Traceability training module.
- Current knowledge of the country, language and local fishery context.

He has a BSc. in Environmental Science from King's College, University of London and an MRes in Marine and Coastal Ecology and Environmental Management from the University of York. He has passed the MSC online training FCR v.2.0 and FCP v.2.1 including the Traceability module and the ISO 19011 Lead assessor course. Conor has an extensive experience (10 years) in Marine Ecology, Conservation Legislation (EU and UK), Fisheries Management, Strategic Planning/ Risk Management.

English is his mother tongue and is also the common language used by the key stakeholders in Iceland. Further, Conor has more 2 years' experience in relevant fisheries in the last 15 years and he has been working in Icelandic fisheries in the last two years.

Conor was part of assessment team for: Canada 3LN redfish 2018 surveillance audit, Ireland and Northern Ireland bottom grown mussel 4th surveillance and re-assessment completed in 2018, and Ireland rope grown mussel full assessment completed in 2019.

Conor does not have any conflicts of interest in relation to the fishery under assessment.