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ISF Iceland anglerfish

MSC Fisheries Certification Requirements

Conformity Assessment Body: Vottunarstofan Tún ehf.

Notification of Proposed Peer Reviewers

The independent conformity assessment body, Vottunarstofan Tún ehf., is currently carrying out full assessment of the **ISF Iceland anglerfish** fishery against the MSC Fisheries Standard.

Information on the assessment are available on MSC's website:

<https://fisheries.msc.org/en/fisheries/isf-iceland-anglerfish/@assessments>.

Tún is proposing the following two experts for conducting peer review of the forthcoming Peer Review Draft Report on this assessment, based on their technical expertise in areas relevant to the assessed fishery:

- William B. Brodie
- Tristan D. Southall

Summary of their experience are provided below. Detailed CVs for both will be submitted to MSC and are available upon request.

Stakeholders, including the applicant fishery client, wishing to make comments on the suitability of the peer reviewer nominees, are advised to consult and use for this purpose MSC guidelines available on <http://www.msc.org/documents/get-certified/stakeholders> and a template for response available on http://www.msc.org/documents/get-certified/stakeholders/template_for_stakeholder_input.

Any claims regarding the suitability or otherwise of the proposed peer reviewers for this assessment should be accompanied by objective evidence in support of such claims.

Comments must be submitted by **17.00 GMT on Friday 21st of July 2017** to:

Dr. Gunnar Á. Gunnarsson

Email: tun@tun.is

Summary qualifications of proposed peer reviewers:

William Brodie

William (Bill) Brodie is an independent fisheries consultant with previously, a 36-year career with Science Branch of Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO, Newfoundland and Labrador Region). He has a BSc in Biology from Memorial University of Newfoundland and Labrador. For the last twelve years with DFO he worked as Senior Science Coordinator/Advisor on Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization (NAFO) issues, serving as chair of the Scientific Council of NAFO and chairing 3 of its standing committees. As a stock assessment biologist, he led assessments and surveys for several flatfish species and stocks, including American plaice, Greenland halibut, yellowtail and witch flounders. These include the largest stocks of flatfish in the NW Atlantic. He also participated in assessments of flatfish, gadoid, and shrimp stocks in the NE Atlantic and North Sea. Bill has participated in over 30 scientific research vessel surveys on various Canadian and international ships, and he has over 200 publications in the scientific and technical literature, primarily on flatfish stock assessment. He has been involved with fishery managers and the fishing industry on a variety of issues, including identification of ecologically sensitive areas, and developing rebuilding plans for groundfish under a Precautionary Approach. Since retirement from DFO in 2014, Bill has been contracted to serve as an assessor on several FAO-based Responsible Fisheries Management certification assessment and surveillance audits for Alaskan stocks including Pacific cod, halibut, sablefish, pollock, and flatfish. He has also provided peer review for an MSC certification assessment for a redfish stock on the Grand Banks.

Tristan D. Southall

Tristan is an experienced marine and fisheries industry analyst with a range of professional experience in questions of sustainable marine resource exploitation, working with a wide spectrum of stakeholders but with particular focus and expertise on the management and evaluation of capture fisheries, both in the UK, EU and internationally. His consultancy expertise includes project management, fisheries liaison, feasibility studies, stakeholder consultation, policy analysis and management advice and draws on an extensive understanding of fishery management and operations, as well as strong experience and understanding of a number of other marine industries – notably aquaculture. This focus on management is supported by a solid understanding and appreciation of marine ecosystems and a practical understanding of working at sea. Tristan has considerable professional experience of the EU Common Fisheries Policy and has coordinated EU fisheries training and promotion activities – covering all aspects of sustainable fisheries management and control. In addition, Tristan has excellent understanding of a range of non-EU fishery management systems in countries as diverse as Turkey, Suriname and the Gambia, meaning that his expertise and experience is applicable to a wide variety of situations, enabling valuable comparative analysis. In recent years Tristan has put his skills and extensive fisheries management experience to good use in undertaking a number of MSC sustainability assessments of fisheries around the world and is increasingly serving as team leader on assessment teams. As a result, he has a sound understanding of MSC Fisheries Assessment Methodology as well as its practical application.

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