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Supporting the Seafood Industry in Due Diligence

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Outline

- ★ Overview & Background – A brief introduction to our organization, our mission, and our approach.
- ★ Our Solutions – A look at the tools, partnerships, and strategies we are implementing to drive positive impact.
- ★ Resources – Showcase of different resources.
- ★ Case study.



SUSTAINABLE FISHERIES PARTNERSHIP - **Who We are?**

NGO founded in 2006 and based in the USA,
we operate as a virtual organization with no physical
offices.

We work on a global scale...

More than 70 experts in over 20 countries

We do not run consumer campaigns, nor do we see
boycotts as a solution. We are extremely cautious when
working with companies to avoid greenwashing.

Providers of Fisheries Science

Scientific information

Transparency



Funded by Industry and Donors

Corporate partnerships / Sponsorships (45 companies)

Advisory Services

Donor Funding: Typically specific to species, location, or outcome. (USD 13.5 mill 2023/25)



How We Work

We work with stakeholders throughout the supply chain to improve fishing and aquaculture and advance sustainable seafood production.



Partner with Retailers,
Restaurants, and
Brands



Mobilize the Seafood
Supply Chain

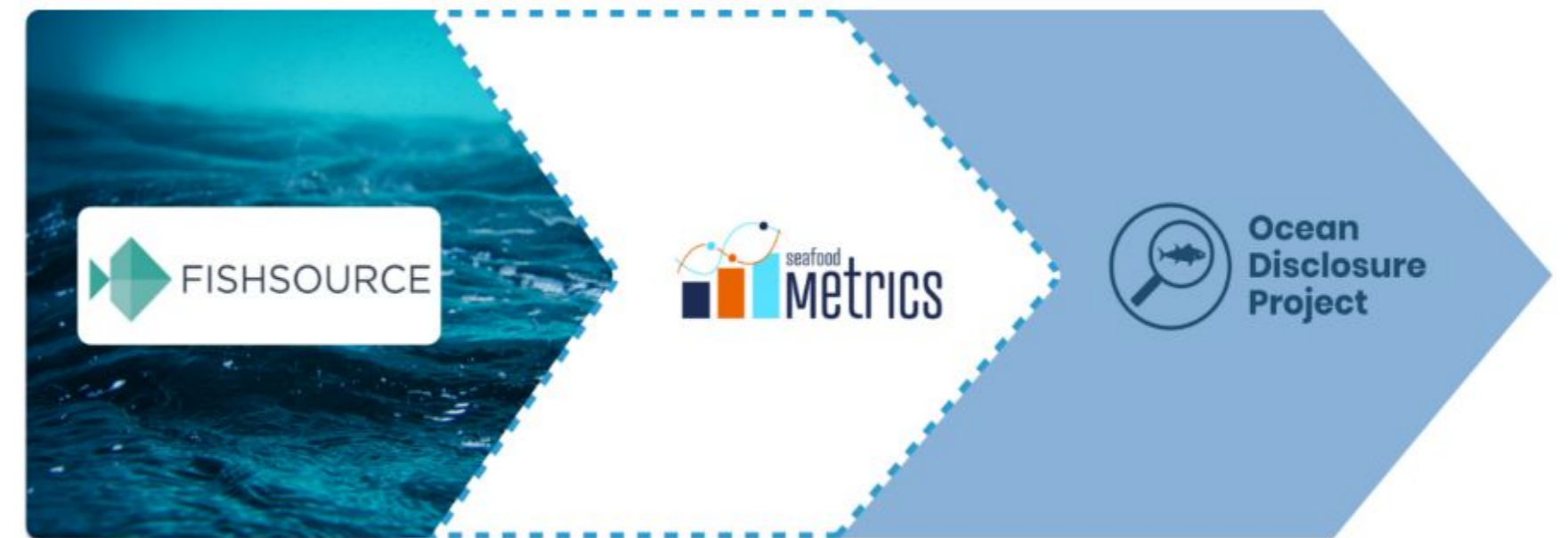


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Tools, Science, and
Services

Our Tools



Advisory Services is powered by SFP's [Seafood Metrics](#) platform, the leading global solution for tracking, monitoring, and evaluating seafood sourcing performance.

Seafood Metrics analyzes seafood sourcing using data from [FishSource](#), SFP's public online database of fisheries and aquaculture information.

While Seafood Metrics gives companies a private location for their data, the [Ocean Disclosure Project](#) provides a transparent, public location for companies to disclose the sustainability of their seafood sources.

Our tools help the industry understand the environmental challenges facing the resources they rely on, connect this information to their supply chain, and facilitate the transparent transfer of this data to third parties or consumers.



Free access website (with a large database behind it) providing information on ecological sustainability of fisheries and aqua zones.

- Aiming for global coverage
- Uses only publicly available information
- Compiles and summarizes
 - stock assessments
 - management measures
 - reports on environmental impacts of fishing
 - Status of small-scale fishers

FishSource contains **1,650** wild-capture stocks identified, covering **5,490** fisheries identified.

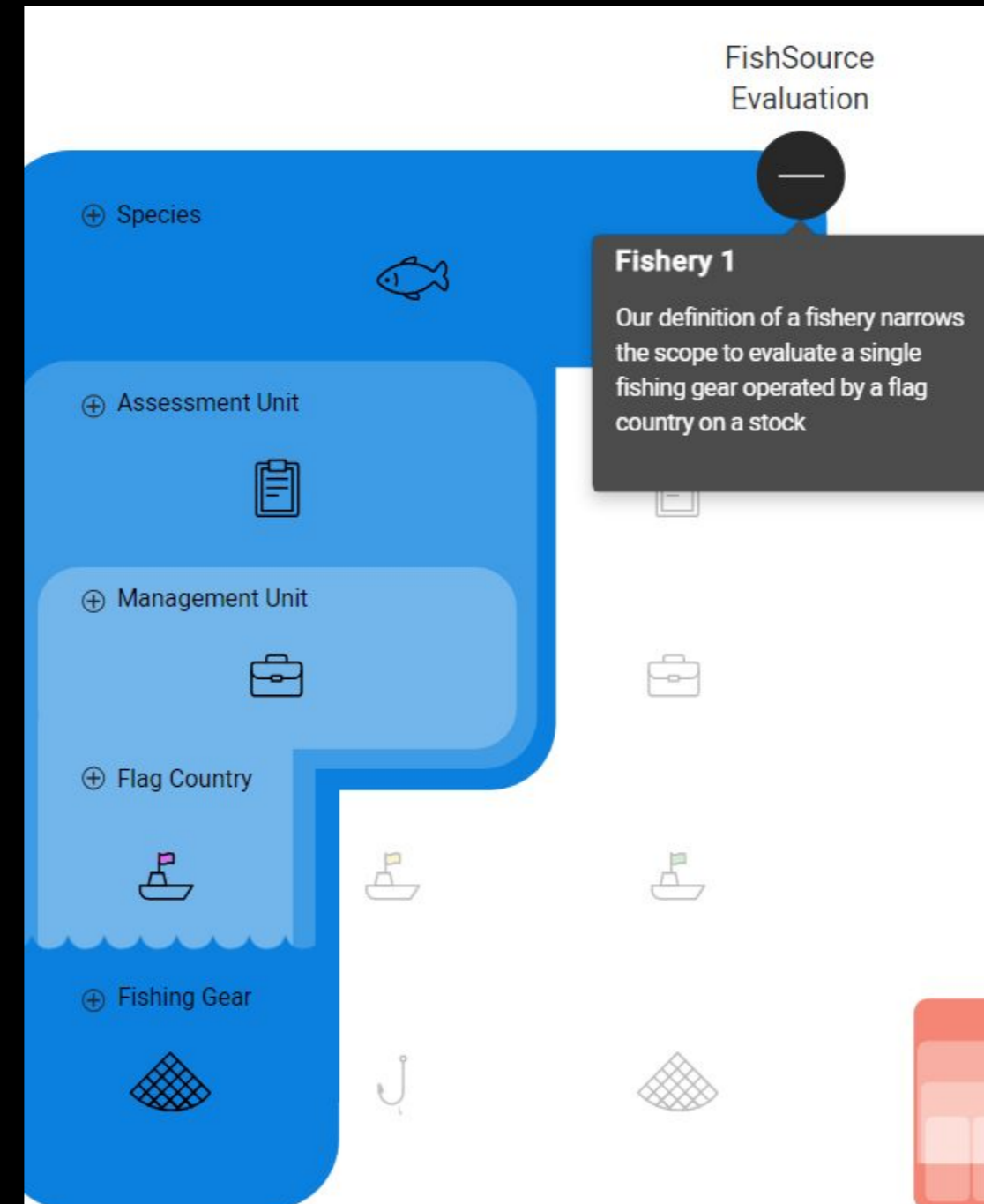
Of the **5,490** fisheries:

- Around $\frac{2}{3}$ are scored for stock and management (*account for ~43% of global catch volumes. estimated coverage >80% of retail sales volume in North America and Europe*)
- Almost $\frac{1}{2}$ updated since 2023
- Remaining $\frac{1}{3}$ not scored (*mostly Asian domestic and Small Scale Fisheries*)



Definition of a fishery in FishSource:

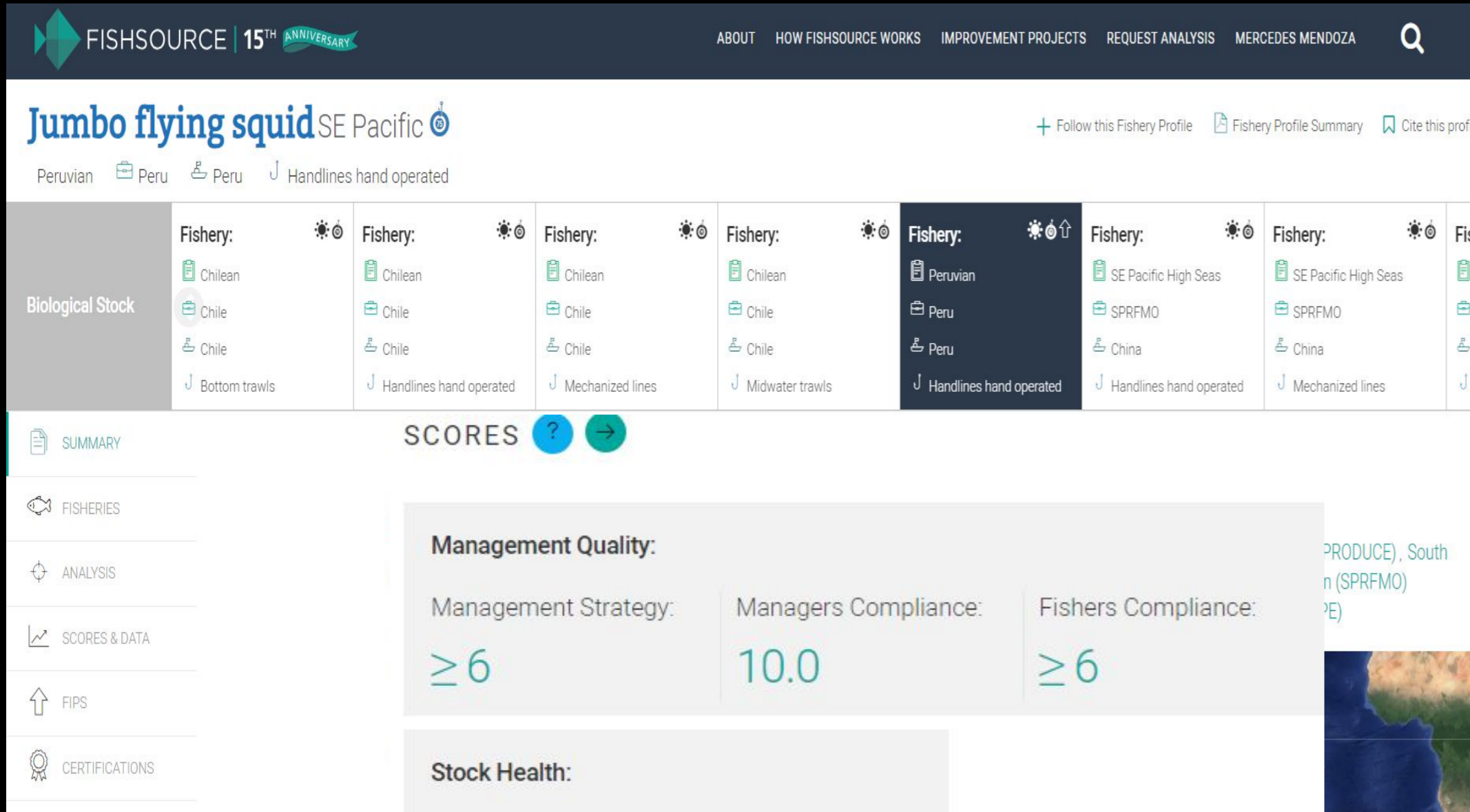
- One species
- [+ one biological stock]
- +/- or one assessment unit or one resource
- + one management unit
- + one flag country
- + one fishing gear [or gear group]



Profile includes:

- Summary
 - Strengths and Weaknesses
- Narrative sections
 - Stock Status
 - Management Quality
 - Environment and Biodiversity
- Scores
- Fishery Improvement Projects (FIPs)
- Certifications
- Sources
- Comments

Methodologies applied publicly disclosed



- FSS #1: Is the management strategy precautionary?
- FSS #2: Do managers follow scientific advice?
- FSS #3: Do fishers comply?
- FSS #4: Is the stock healthy?
- FSS #5: Will the stock be healthy in the future?
- FSS #6: Does the fishery impact bycatch species?
- FSS #7: Does the fishery impact Endangered, Threatened, and Protected (ETP) species?
- FSS #8: Does the fishery impact on seabed habitats?
- FSS #9: Does the fishery impact the marine ecosystem?
- FSS #10: How well fishers are legally recognized to have the right to fish
- FSS #11: Do fishers can effectively engage with the management of their fisheries and help inform decisions



Global Record of Stocks and Fisheries (GRSF)

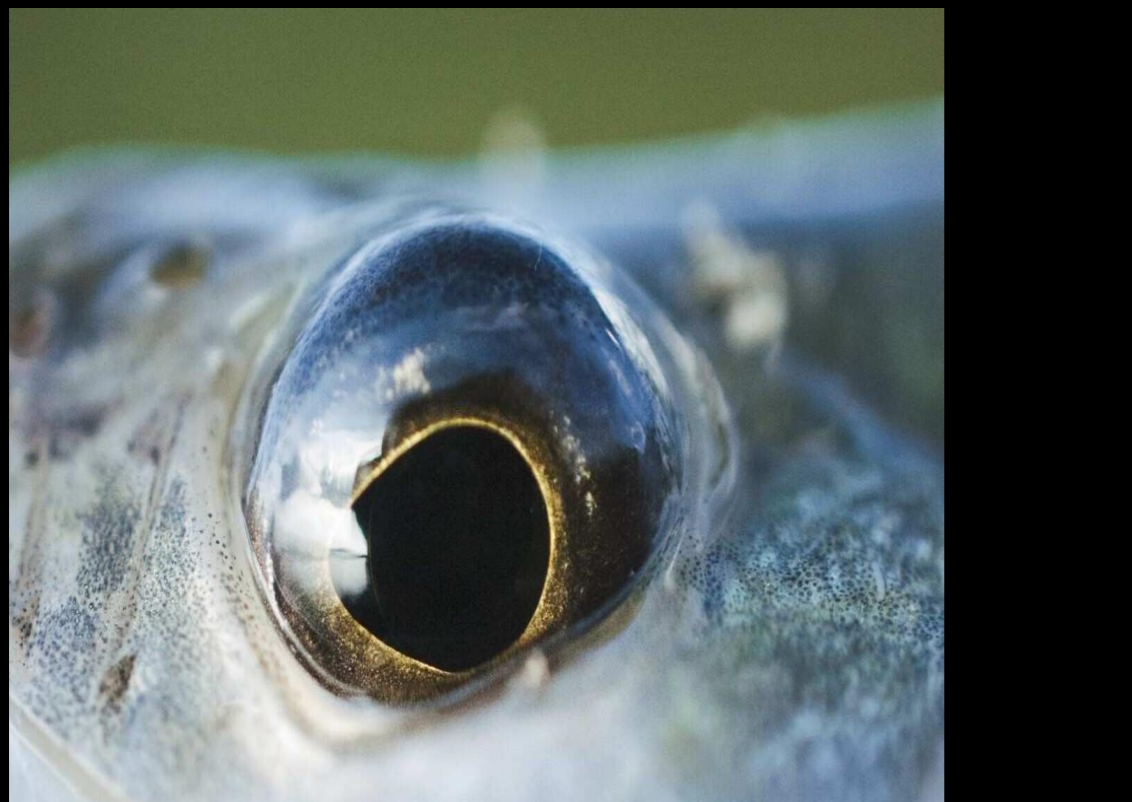


- ★ Collaboration between FishSource, Ram Legacy database, FAO
- ★ Catalogue of global stocks and fisheries
- ★ Producing unique codes for each stock and fishery
- ★ Awarded UNDP OIC funding to complete the work and develop a business plan

Unique UN-endorsed fishery ID codes

- Going global with a fishery identification service
- Setting a global standard for
 - traceability (*to be included in the Global Dialogue Standard for Traceability (GDST)*)
 - catch reporting
 - management
 - product identification/labelling
 - science, academia, NGOs





GRSF Name: *Sardina pilchardus* - 27.9.a - 27.8.c - Spain Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and the Environment - European Commission - Spain - Purse seines

Short name: European pilchard | Iberian | Spain/EU | Spain | Purse seines

Semantic Identifier:
 asfis:PIL+fao:27.8.c;fao:27.9.a+authority:INT:EC;authority:NAT:ESP+iso3:ESP+is

UUID: 79e75d71-d3c3-39bc-8a37-fcac975fd6b8

URL: <https://data.d4science.org/ctlg/GRSF/79e75d71-d3c3-39bc-8a37-fcac975fd6b8>

GRSF Record Type: Fishing Unit

Gear ISSCFG code: 01.1

Country ISO3 code: ESP

Management unit: Spain Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and the Environment, European Commission

Traceability flag: true

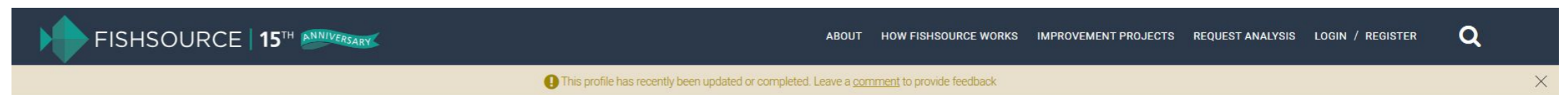


GRSF Semantic ID codes

- Stock:
 - <species> + <assessment area>
 - E.g.: asfis: PIL + fao:27.8.c; fao: 27.9.a
- Using accepted standards e.g. FAO ASFIS, WoRMS
 - But compiling and improving **area** standards

Semantic IDs

- Fishery:
 - <species> + <assessment area> + <management authority/ies> +<management/reporting area> + <flag country> + <fishing gear>
 - E.g. asfis: PIL + fao:27.8.c; fao: 27.9.a + authority:INT:EC; authority:NAT:ESP + fao:27.8.c; fao: 27.9.a + iso3:ESP + isscfg: 01.1



Atlantic bluefin tuna Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean

GRSF details + Follow this Assessment unit Profile Assessment unit Profile Summary Cite this profile

This profile is present in the [Global Record of Stocks and Fisheries](#).

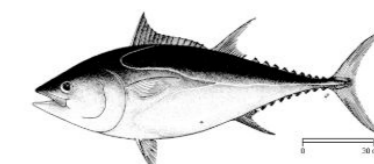
Assessment unit

UUID
d9324d33-3823-36b7-a264-eea6cebe2ec7

Semantic Identifier
asfis:BFT+iccat:BFT_E

[View the GRSF record](#)

Fishery:	Fishery:	Fishery:
Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean	Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean	Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean
ICCAT Eastern Atlantic	ICCAT Eastern Atlantic	ICCAT Eastern Atlantic
France	France	France
Longlines	Midwater trawls	Pole-lines hand operated





Publix supports traceability initiative using universal fish IDs

Fishery ID example						
Fishery ID standard	Species	Assessment area	Management authorities	Management or Reporting areas	Vessel flag	Gear type
Short name	Blue swimming crab	Region 6 portion of FMA 11	Philippines	Fishery Management Area 11	Philippines	Pots
Semantic identifier	asfis:SCD+PHL_REG:6 of PHL_FMA:11 + authority:NAT: PHL+ PHL_FMA:11 + iso3:PHL+isscfg:FPO					
IT identifier	79d02f71-5b22-36a2-8e67-a46bf0b99f09					
Record URL	https://data.d4science.org/ctlg/GRSF/79d02f71-5b22-36a2-8e67-a46bf0b99f09					



PUBLIX CRAB PACKAGING WILL DEBUT TRACEABLE FISHERY IDS



Publix crab packaging will debut traceable fishery IDs. On Monday at [Seafood Expo North America](#), Publix announced that the supermarket's crab packaging will feature SFP's universal fish ID codes.

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Aquafuture SPAIN

Aquafuture Spain 2025
A Milestone in Aquaculture Innovation

Dates: May 20-22, 2025
Location: Ifevi Exhibition Centre, Vigo

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SWFPA
The Scottish White Fish Producers Association Ltd

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(+1200 companies)

Subscription system that offers Seafood Sustainability Solutions from Sourcing to Sales. Built upon FishSource database and FAO's global production data. Businesses can customize, at a product level if desired, their seafood sourcing aligned with international standard for stock, species, and more.

In addition to tracking MSC (*all GSSI certifications in 2025*), FIP, ASC, BAP, GlobalGAP, EU organic, BIO seafood you can get access to an exclusive **Seafood Metrics Wild fisheries risk ratings, farmed seafood improvements ratings and the Human Rights Risk Indicator (HRRI)**. Helping to identify and anticipate problems with certified fisheries or FIPs.

Seafood Metrics allows companies to understand, monitor and address the specific sustainability issues associated to their seafood sources and work closely with their suppliers to improve the status of their seafood.



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Overall **Wild Sourcing** Farmed Sourcing Suppliers Progress MSC & FIP Summary Purchase Order Summary

Time Interval <input type="text" value="Quarter"/>	Period Start <input type="text" value="2024-Q1"/>	Period End <input type="text" value="2025-Q1"/>	Sustainability <input type="text" value="Select sustainability"/>
Species <input type="text" value="Select species"/>	Fisheries <input type="text" value="Select fisheries"/>	Percent transshipped <input type="text" value="Select Percent transshipped"/>	UPC <input type="text" value="Select UPC"/>
Product Category <input type="text" value="Select Product Category"/>	Own Brands Product <input type="text" value="Select Own Brands Product"/>	What percent of transshipped product had observer coverage <input type="text" value="Select What percent of transshipped product had observer coverage"/>	Is product tuna <input type="text" value="Select Is product tuna"/>

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FISHERY STOCK & MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY	LATIN NAME	COUNTRY VESSEL FLAG	FISHING GEAR	CERTIFICATIONS	SEAFOOD METRICS RISK RATING	ETP SCORE	HRRI SCORE	SUPPLIERS	VOLUME (kg)
Albacore - Indian Ocean	<i>Thunnus alalunga</i>	Indonesia	Longlines (not specified)			3.0	45.6	CMS Seafood	28,932.0

Seafood Metrics Risk Indicator	Low Risk	Medium Risk	High Risk	Data Deficient	Not Scored		
Wild Certification and FIPs	Marine Stewardship Council	Fishery Improvement Project					
Seafood Metrics Aqua Improvement Rating	Specific	Significant	Critical	Unknown			
Farmed Certification and AIPs	Aquaculture Stewardship Council	Best Aquaculture Practices	Global G.A.P.	EU Organic	iBAP	Aquaculture Improvement Project	Other certification
E&B Scores	ETP Evaluates the risk of bycatch of endangered, threatened and protected species in the fishery	BYCATCH E&B Score component to evaluate ByCatch	HABITAT E&B Score component to evaluate Habitat	ECOSYSTEM E&B Score component to evaluate Ecosystem			
FS Score	FS Score 1 Management Quality (Scientific advice)	FS Score 2 Managers Compliance	FS Score 3 Fishers Compliance	FS Score 4 Stock Health (Relative Biomass)	FS Score 5 Future Health (Fishing Mortality)		



Ocean Disclosure Project

The ODP is a transparency-focused initiative that enables seafood-buying companies to disclose their wild-caught and farmed seafood sources through ODP profiles. Free access resource. Target users: investors, Ngos and consumers

Why participate?

Species and Location	Production Methods	Certification or Improvement Project	Sustainability Ratings	Notes
<p>Argentina</p>  <p>Atlantic cod <i>Gadus morhua</i></p> <p>Barents Sea</p> <p>Fishery countries: Estonia, Faroe Islands, Greenland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Russia, United Kingdom</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bottom trawl 	<p>Certified</p>	<p>FishSource Well Managed</p> <p>Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended</p> <p>Good Fish Guide Think 3</p> <p>Ocean Wise Recommended</p>	<p>^</p>
<p>Environmental Notes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are significant concerns about the cumulative impacts of the Barents Sea fishery upon the endangered species, golden redfish, which is currently classified as Vulnerable. There is bycatch for this fishery but non-target species are retained. Management measures are in place to reduce impacts on retained species. Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. Management measures are in place to limit impacts on benthic habitats. <p>General Notes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No additional notes. 				



Profiles Why Participate? How ODP Works What's Included?



ALDI Australia

ALDI has proudly played a significant role in the Australian community since its first store opened in 2001. Today, ALDI has over 595 stores and 16,000 employees across our retail stores, distribution centres and corporate offices.

The ALDI core values of simplicity, consistency and responsibility guide us in everything we do to improve the livelihood of local businesses, create employment opportunities, and deliver high quality, permanently low-priced products to Australians every day.

2024

Number of Fisheries Used	Number of certified fisheries	Number of fisheries in a FIP	Number of fisheries Well Managed	Number of fisheries Managed
32	15	7	16	6



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Additional resources

- Sector sustainability reports
- IUU Squid Fishing resource library
- Policy Briefings and updated reports
- Training HRDD

The screenshot shows the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership website. The header includes navigation links: About Us, How We Work, Impact & Initiatives, Tools, Science & Services, Publications, and News & Events. The main heading is "IMPROVING FISHERIES MANAGEMENT" followed by "IUU Squid Fishing Resource Library". Below this, a paragraph states: "With rising concerns about IUU fishing and human rights issues affecting global squid sourcing, SFP's Global Squid Supply Chain Roundtable (SSC) has adopted a new strategy, focused on addressing these main risks associated with squid fisheries. This revised SR strategy is based on a thorough review of evidence about IUU fishing, published over the last several years. The following is a selection of some of these resources." To the right of the text is a small image of a fishing boat on the water.

The cover features the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership logo at the top right. The text reads: "June 2021", "Importing Illegal Seafood under European Union Laws: Liabilities for Importers", and "Policy Brief" at the bottom. The background image shows a coastal scene with buildings and a body of water.

The cover features the BHR (Business & Human Rights) logo at the top left and the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership logo at the top right. The text reads: "September 2024", "EU corporate sustainability due diligence directive", and "POLICY BRIEF" in a dark blue bar. The background image shows a harbor with several fishing boats and people.

The cover has a teal background. It features the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership logo at the top right. The text reads: "2021 Sector Sustainability Update", "75%", "14th ANNUAL REPORT", and "SQUID" in large letters. A central image shows a person in a hat and boots wading in shallow water, holding a basket. The date "March 2022" is at the bottom right.

The cover features the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership logo at the top left and the Center for Biological Diversity logo at the top right. The text reads: "Briefing: Legal Liability under U.S. Law for Importing and Selling Illegal Seafood", "July 18, 2021", "Authors: Sarah Uhlmann* and Kate O'Connell**", and "Background". The background image shows a person in a purple headscarf looking towards the camera.



Case study: Mauritania Supply chain roundtables



Overview

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FIP at a Glance

ENVIRONMENTAL [View current status](#)

Starting Evaluation: July 01, 2024

36% 43% 21%

Progress Rating

NOT YET AVAILABLE

Actions Complete

100%

● Complete
● Incomplete

Next Update Due

APR 2025

Target End Date

JUN 2029

SOCIAL

Risk Assessment : Not Required

Type : N/A

Due Date : -

FIP Leads

Organization Name

AMPEP

FIP Description

The Société Mauritanienne de Commercialisation des Poissons (SMCP), the Association Mauritanienne de Producteurs et Exportateurs de Poulpe (AMPEP) and The Global Octopus Supply chain roundtable (GO SR) are developing a Fishery Improvement Project

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FIP Objective(s)

The overall objective of the FIP is to correct the shortcomings identified in the MSC pre-assessment of the fishery, carried out in 2023. To this end, by June 2029, the FIP aims to:

- Collect data and develop scientific tools and approaches to improve the quality and accuracy of stock assessments
- Evaluate bycatch, discards, and habitat interactions and propose measures to limit fishing gear impacts on the environment
- Ensure that the fishery is managed consistent with ecosystem requirements and respective MSC standards
- Support the government in adapting and implementing the Octopus Management Plan
- Enhance the decision-making process and improve fishery surveillance and governance systems.

FIP Type

Comprehensive

PROPOSAL

Human rights due diligence

Human Rights Impact Assessment in Mauritania

July 2024	<p style="font-size: x-small; margin: 0;">Business & Human Rights (BHR) Barcelona – Madrid – Paris – Bogotá – Washington www.bizandhumanrights.com info@businessandhumanrights.es (+34) 620 820 422</p>
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THE ROUNDTABLE WANTS TO CATALYSE ACTION

Following a third-party Human Rights Impact Assessment in Mauritania and Senegal

Today (5th October) the Global Roundtable on Marine Ingredients is releasing a human rights impact assessment (HRIA) that it commissioned to Partner Africa in May 2022 and was conducted in Senegal and Mauritania (July and September 2022, January 2023).

With Partner Africa's HRIA, the Global Roundtable aimed to better understand the situation on the ground, and to link the impacts in the small pelagic fish value chain in Senegal and Mauritania with the United Nations' business and human rights framework. Ultimately, the Global Roundtable wants to catalyse positive action in those two countries.



Thanks!



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