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Certification, the MSC Theory of Change & Project UK Fisheries Improvements

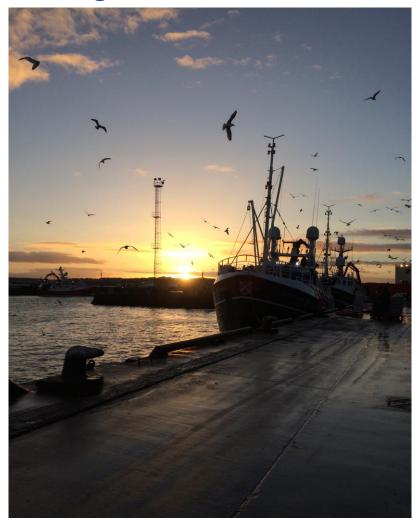
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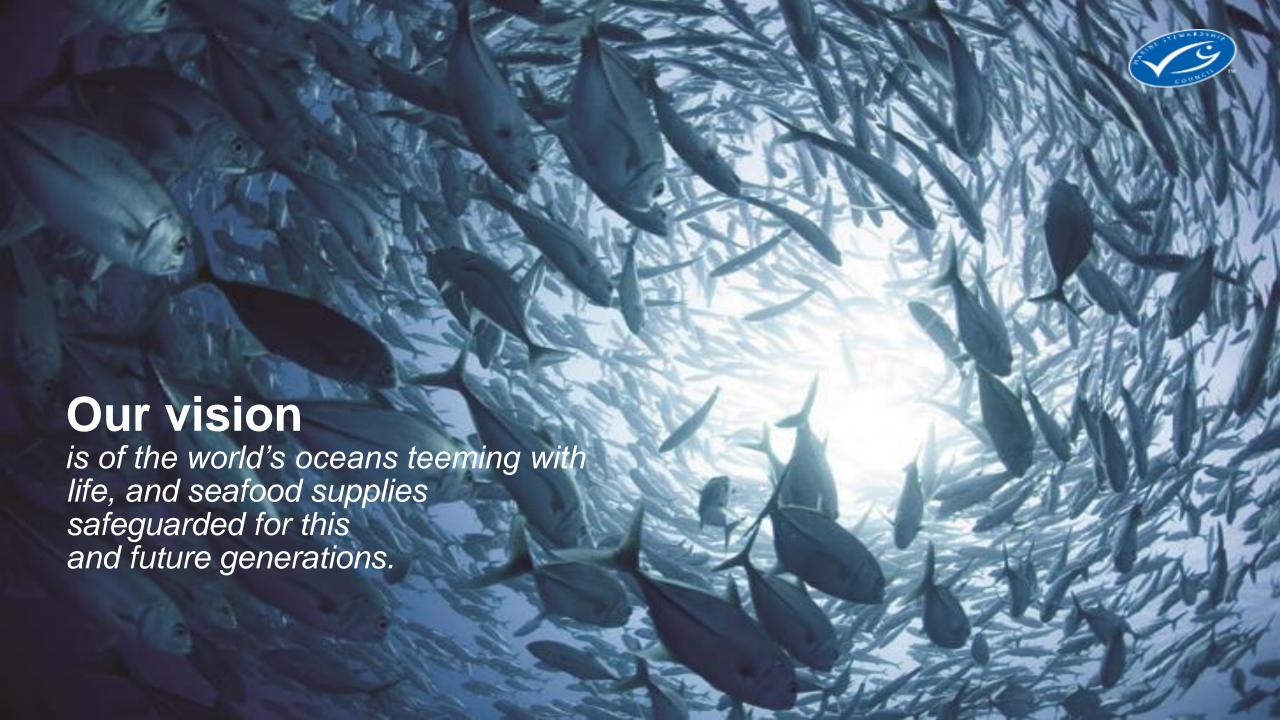


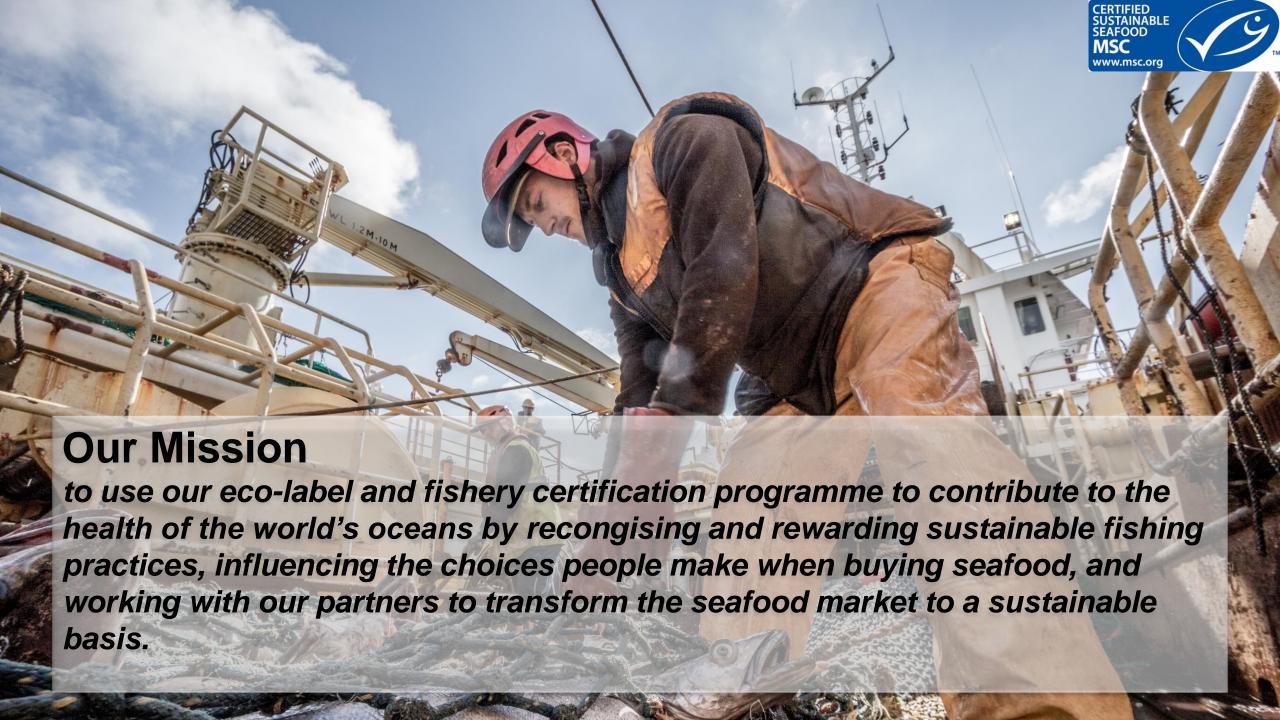
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How do we achieve this?



MSC and the Eco-labelling concept



- Promotes and rewards sustainable fisheries
- Generates benefits for these fisheries, but also motivate less sustainable fisheries to work towards MSC

 To deliver a <u>credible</u> message from the supply side to the consumer

Background to the MSC



International non-profit organisation, independent since 1999



The MSC operates two leading, global standards to ensure credibility:

- Standard for sustainable and well-managed fishing
- 2. Traceability standard called **Chain of Custody**

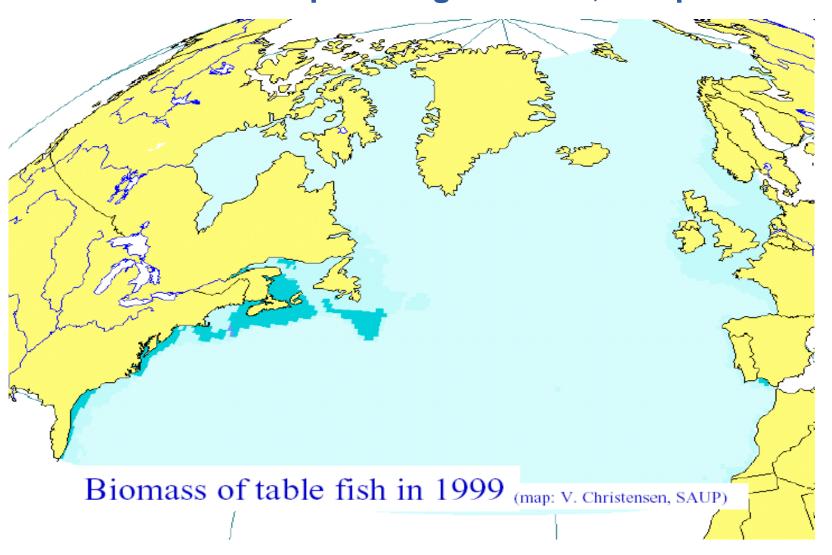
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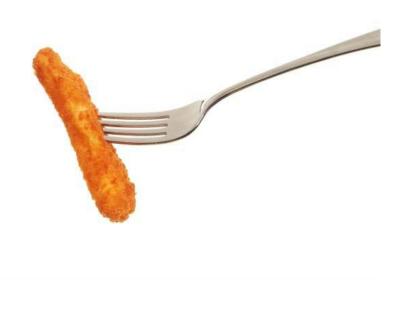
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Background to the MSC: North Atlantic example



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Benefits of the MSC programme



Potential benefits include:

- Sustainable fisheries
- Reputation enhanced
- Livelihoods protected
- Access to new markets
- Existing markets secured
- Market stability and security
- Product differentiation
- Possible price premiums



MSC Theory of Change



100 score: State of the Art

80 score: Best practice

60 score: Minimum acceptable

Unconditional Pass

Conditional Pass

Fail

"conditions" that require improvements

assumed "pull" to motivate improvements





Fisheries which meet the MSC standard are independently certified as sustainable Retailers and restaurants choose MSC certified sustainable seafood

More fisheries choose to improve their practices and volunteer to be assessed against the MSC standard How the MSC works with fisheries, suppliers and retailers to encourage a more sustainable seafood market

A traceable supply chain assures consumers that only seafood from an MSC certified fishery is sold with the MSC ecolabel

Market demand for MSC certified seafood increases

Consumers
preferentially
purchase seafood
with
the MSC ecolabel



The MSC Fisheries Standard

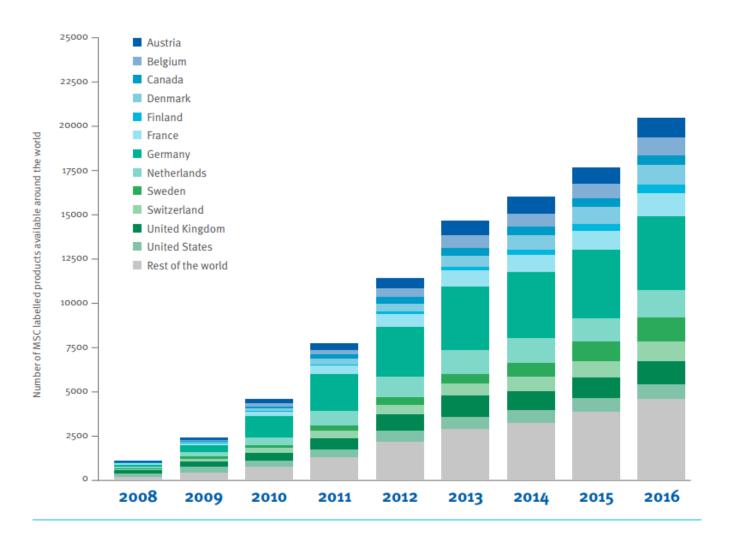




Global market and supply chain



Number of products with the MSC label





products on sale with the blue MSC label (up from 17,200 on 31 March 2015)

659,399

tonnes of MSC labelled seafood bought by consumers (up from around 620,000 tonnes in 2014-2015)

US\$4.6 bn**
spent by consumers on MSC certified seafood

^{*} Number of products defined as the global sum of products available in individual countries (SKUs).

^{**} Retail market value of consumer facing MSC ecolabelled products, calculated by adding a global average 40% retail mark-up to wholesale values.

MSC products in stores at UK retailers



Sainsbury's







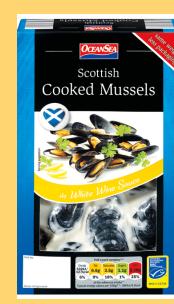
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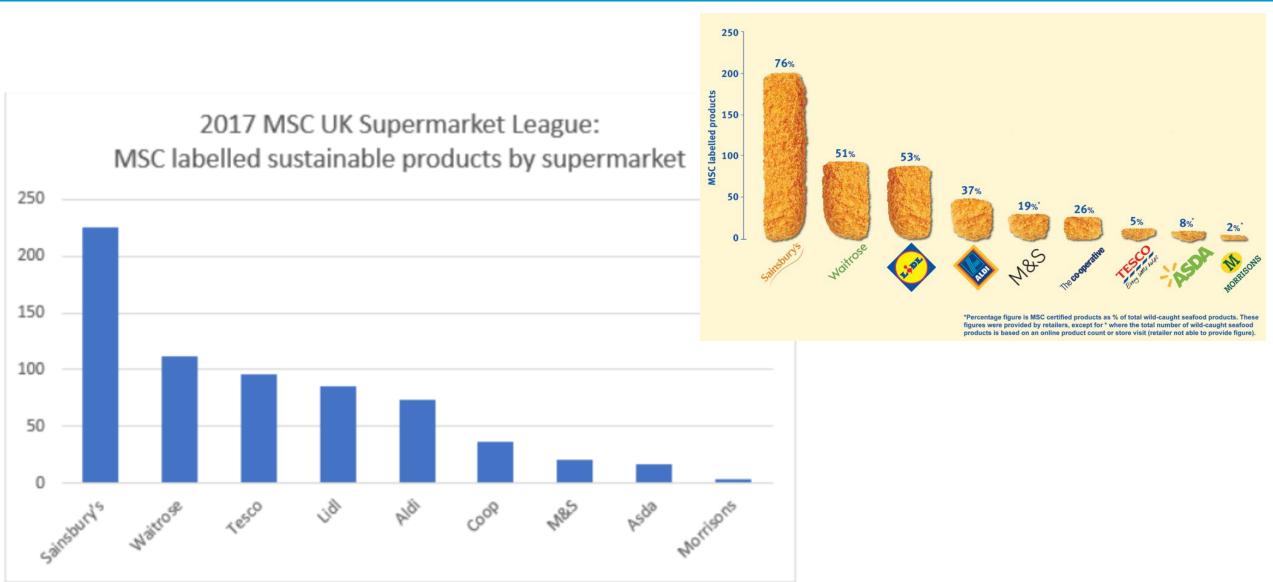






Retail Ranking: Number of MSC labelled products





Foodservice and Fish & Chip shops serving MSC



















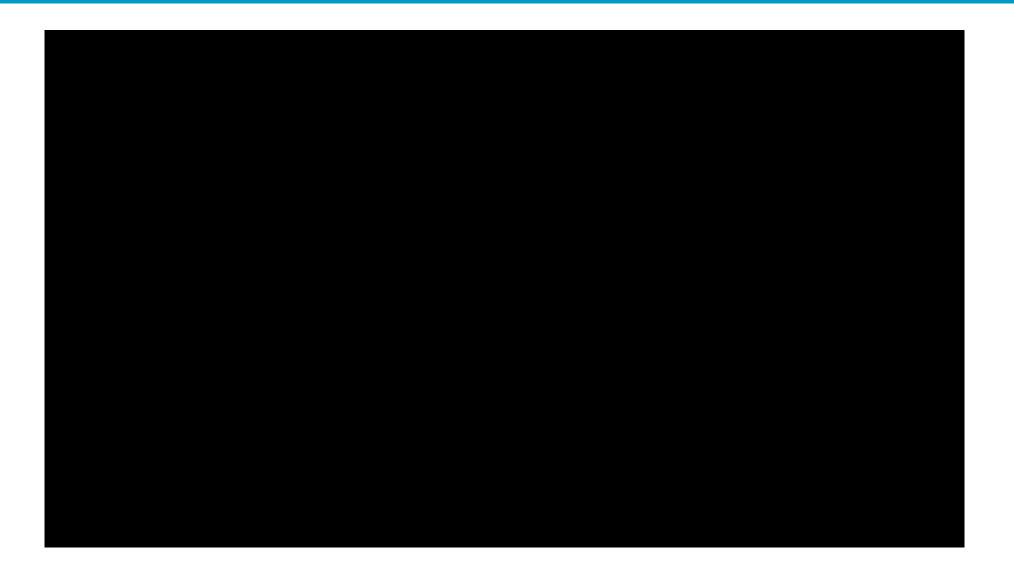








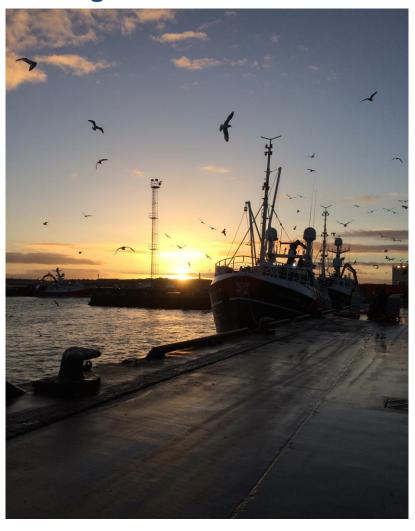




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Project UK Fisheries Improvements: Credible FIPs



A roadmap towards sustainability

Credible FIPS make an important contribution to improving overall fisheries health and in promoting sustainable seafood – with potential market benefits.

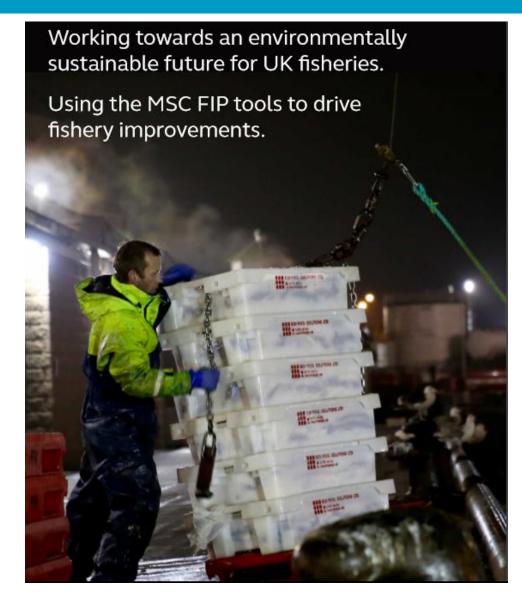
Initial gap analysis using against MSC Standard (MSC pre-assessment)

- Develop an Action Plan for improvement
- Linked to MSC performance indicators
- Regular reporting of progress against the Action Plan
- Progress reports prepared & reviewed by MSC assessor to evaluate progress
- Pre-determined limit to amount of time spent as a FIP
- Potential for FIP to enter MSC full assessment to demonstrate sustainability



A collaborative stakeholder partnership working towards an environmentally sustainable future for UK fisheries, facilitated by MSC

- Builds on the outputs and methods of Project Inshore: Pre-assessment process as a tool to inform management
- Supported by funding partners made up mostly of supply chain and retailers but also NGOs and the fishing industry
- Multi-stakeholder FIP Steering Groups





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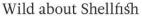




































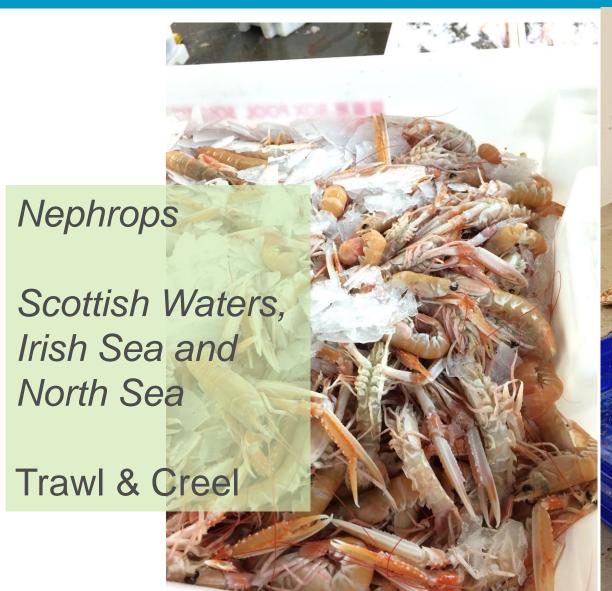












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Scottish Waters and Irish Sea

Scallop Dredge



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