

**CVO (Cooperative fishery organistaion) North Sea (ICES IVa, b, c) plaice and sole  
fisheries using trawl and seine - 82111  
MSC Certification  
Certification Body: Moody Marine Ltd**

**Nominations for Assessment Team membership**

Moody marine is currently undertaking the main assessment of the above fishery against the Marine Stewardship Council Principles and Criteria for Sustainable Fishing. To assist in this assessment, we are looking to appoint a team of expert advisors with collective knowledge of the stock evaluation, ecosystem impacts and management framework applicable to this fishery.

The persons proposed as potential team members of this fishery assessment are set out below in alphabetical order, together with a brief resume of their background. Potential team members have been selected on the basis of their experience of fishery management, stock assessment and/or ecosystem interactions. The final team will comprise two or three expert advisors from the following list. The coordinating Assessor from Moody Marine will be Rod Cappell The Lead Assessor will be Jason Combes.

All stakeholders are now invited to provide any comments on the suitability or otherwise of any of the nominees. We would, however, ask for any comments by the **10 Dec 2010** prior to continuing the assessment process. These should be sent to Jason Combes at:

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**Nominees for team membership (in alphabetical order):****Rod Cappell – P3**

Rod Cappell is a fisheries management consultant with over 15 years experience in European fisheries. He has a degree in Marine Biology, MSc in Marine Resource Development and a postgraduate certificate in Environmental Economics. Rod is currently working in several areas of European and UK fisheries management including European Commission Regulatory Impact Assessments (Flatfish long term management plan, Shark conservation action plan); Stakeholder consultation on 2012 CFP Reform; Economic approaches to longer term UK fisheries management reforms for Defra; and is currently developing a model management plan and guidance for Scottish Inshore Fisheries Groups. Rod has been involved with a number of MSC assessments including English Channel and North Sea flatfish fisheries, which has involved consultation with key stakeholders in the UK and the Netherlands.

**Richard Millner – P1**

Richard is a fisheries biologist with 34 years experience working for the UK government as an advisor on fish stocks. He has wide experience of flat fish and inshore fisheries around the UK. He has been a member of ICES working groups on flatfish and demersal stocks in the North Sea and was chairman of the ICES Beam Trawl Survey Working Group. He has carried out MSC peer reviews on a number of fisheries assessments including Hastings trammel and trawl fisheries for sole and twin-rig trawling for plaice in the North Sea. He has published on flatfish fisheries and the biology and growth of flatfish.

**Dr. Michael Pawson - P2**

Mike Pawson recently retired as senior fisheries advisor at Cefas, Lowestoft, after 39 years carrying out biological research and providing scientific advice to Defra, the EC and other national and international organisations on fish stock abundance (marine teleosts, elasmobranchs, salmonids and eels), technical conservation measures and fisheries management regulations, and on related monitoring, sampling, survey and research programmes. Between 1974 and 1980, he initiated and led acoustic surveys for blue whiting and mackerel, in L. Turkana, Kenya, and trawl surveys in the North Sea (1975-1979), and then spent 1 year working as an UNESCO Expert in Ichthyology in Tripoli, Libya. From 1980 to 1990, Mike designed and managed MAFF's coastal fisheries programme, implementing biological sampling, trawl surveys, a fishermen's logbook scheme and socio-economic evaluation of sea bass fisheries, and between 1990 and 2000 he led the Cefas Western demersal team. Mike has provided scientific evaluation, quality assurance and advice to several national and EC-funded projects on fisheries biology, monitoring and assessment, and one of his major roles over the last 15 years has been peer-reviewing papers, reports and manuscripts in preparation. All of Mike's work has been published in refereed Journals, in ICES and EC working group reports, and in contract reports.

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