



Annex I Details on ASC Technical Working Group on Marine litter and Aquaculture gear

Details ASC Expert working group Marine litter and Aquaculture gear revision

Objectives TWG – Marine litter and Aquaculture gear:

The overall aim of the ASC expert working group is the revision of the current indicators related to waste management. Projected outcomes include, but are not limited to:

1. To review the current ASC-requirements related to the farm waste management within the various ASC Standards;
2. To review the Whitepaper on Marine litter and Aquaculture gear in Aquaculture;
3. To discuss and recommend best practices for handling Marine litter and Aquaculture gear within the ASC Standards.

Approach:

The first step is the development of a white paper, which will be written by a PhD (TBC). This paper will include the current status, main risks and challenges that occur in the global aquaculture industry and will serve as a starting point for expert group discussions.

The inclusion of different stakeholder groups and areas of expertise form the base of the formation for the expert working group. The group should be diverse and represent different backgrounds, areas of expertise, and interests in order to form robust and practical applicable indicators.

The expert working group will use the white paper as a base for the revision of current indicators and progress the feedback from two rounds of public consultation.

Roles:

Expert working group members are expected to represent a certain stakeholder group or expertise and to contribute to the discussion from this point of view.

Confirmed members:

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| TBD | Wageningen Economic Research Center | Netherlands |
| Joel Baziuk | Global Ghost Gear Initiative | Canada |
| Sandra Shumway | Research Professor of Marine Sciences at the University College of North Wales | United States |
| Henrik Osterblom* | Stockholm Resilience Centre (SRC) | Sweden |
| Mr. Maris Stulgis* | Policy Office – European Commission | Belgium |
| Kalin Todorov V. | Logistics Operations Manager – PLASTIX A/S | Denmark |
| ASC staff | | Netherlands |

*or a representative.

Meetings and timelines:

The TWG will (after establishment) most likely meet remotely in order to progress the work under Objective 1 and 2.

Following the initial meeting, several teleconference calls will be organised in order to progress the work into a first and second Draft of the Standard content. Each Draft will be published for public consultation after which feedback will need to be discussed by the TWG.



If (following the public consultation rounds) it is concluded that another remotely or in-person is required, then members will be requested to participate. But, at this moment, a second meeting is not foreseen.

It is planned that the first meeting will happen in Q2-2019 and that the entire project will be concluded in Q2/Q3-2020.

Estimated needed time:

Activity:

Initial meeting:

- Preparation (incl. review whitepaper)
- Actual meeting (2 days)
- Travel

Estimated hours needed:

- 4-6 hours
- 16 hours
- Depending on residence

Teleconference calls:

- 8 * 2-hours call

16 hours

Subtotal

36 - 38 hours

Unexpected ($\pm 10\%$)

3 hours

Total estimated time:

39 – 41 hours