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Circular 2

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## **Stakeholders consultation by certification bodies in FOS fishery assessments**

With the present document FOS requests all CBs assessing companies against FOS Wild Standard to actively seek stakeholders input during the certification process.

CBs are requested to inform all the relevant stakeholders about the audit of all companies seeking FOS Wild certification and recommend their input. The list of all contacted stakeholders (name, role and organisation) shall be provided in the audit report in the section I) of the FOS Wild Standard checklist (version 3 30/09/2017).

The stakeholders to be informed about the certification process shall include a minimum of:

- i) the competent fishery management organisation (e.g. RFMO, national fishery management authority, etc.);
- ii) fishing industry associations (e.g. shipowners or fishermen representatives, national or state seafood industry association);
- iii) local NGOs with a focus on ocean conservation.

The information and consultation of stakeholders shall be considered an integral part of the preliminary audit phase.



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