



By-Product assessment report

BP057

Concarneau (Bioceval SAS)

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1. Application details	
Applicant	Concarneau (Bioceval SAS)
Applicant country	France
2. Certification Body details	
Name of Certification Body (CB)	NSF / Global Trust Certification Ltd
Contact information for CB	Fisheries@nsf.org
Assessor name	Matthew Jew
CB internal peer reviewer name	Léa Lebechnech
Internal peer review evaluation	Agree with evaluation
Number of Assessment days	0.5

Comments on the assessment	Two species under assessment fail the MarinTrust v3.1 byproducts standard. The narrow nose smoothhound (<i>Mustelus schmitti</i>) is listed as critically endangered by IUCN, therefore cannot be approved for use as byproduct. Additionally, byproducts sourced from the Family Rajiade are not approved due to lack of species-specific information. There are members of this taxonomic family that are endangered or critically endangered, therefore the group as a whole cannot be approved for use as byproduct due to the risk of sourcing endangered and/or critically endangered species. Aside from those two sources of byproduct, none of the other species listed in this assessment meet the MarinTrust definition of an Endangered, Threatened, or Protected (ETP) species; therefore, all remaining are eligible for byproduct assessment. Please refer to the table in Appendix 1 for all records of IUCN and CITES listings. As these species are sourced from French vessels, the IUU risk rating is medium and these products are approved without the need for step 3.	
3. Approval validity	August 2025	August 2026
4. Assessment cycle	Initial	

5. Scope Extension Assessment	
Name of Certification Body (CB)	NSF / Global Trust Certification Ltd
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Assessor name	Matthew Jew
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Internal peer review evaluation	Agree with evaluation
Number of Assessment days	0.25

Comments on the assessment	This assessment was originally completed in August 2025. In September 2025, four additional byproduct species were now to be included. These are sourced exclusively from Medium Risk flag states, and have been determined 'Approved source with caution' without a Step 3 assessment.	
6. Approval validity	Valid from 09/2025	Valid until 08/2026

7. By-product assessment outcomes		Valid from: August 2025	
By-product species name	Flag country(ies)	Fishing Areas	MarinTrust approval status
<i>Sardina pilchardus</i> - European pilchard	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
<i>Scomber scombrus</i> - Mackerel	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i> - Whiting	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
<i>Merluccius merluccius</i> - European hake	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
<i>Lophius piscatorius</i> - Anglerfish/monkfish	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i> - Haddock	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
<i>Molva molva</i> - Ling	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
<i>Pollachius virens</i> - Saithe	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
<i>Mullus surmuletus</i> - Red mullet	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
<i>Mustelus schmitti</i> – Narrow nose smoothhound	France	N/A	Not approved
<i>Chelidonichthys cuculus</i> - Red gurnard	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
Rajidae - Rays and skates	France	N/A	Not approved
<i>Molva dypterygia</i> - Blue ling	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
<i>Pollachius pollachius</i> - Pollack	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
<i>Trisopterus luscus</i> - Pouting	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
<i>Thunnus alalunga</i> - Albacore tuna	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
<i>Clupea harengus</i> - Herring	France	N/A	Approved source with caution

8. By-product assessment outcomes		Valid from: September 2025	
By-product species name	Flag country(ies)	Fishing Areas	MarinTrust approval status
Scyliorhinus canicula - Lesser-spotted dogfish	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
Raja clavata - Thornback ray	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
Leucoraja naevus - Cuckoo ray	France	N/A	Approved source with caution
Raja montagui - Spotted ray	France	N/A	Approved source with caution

Guidance for on-site auditor

For the audit, the auditor will check how the facility manages by-products deemed medium risk. Any by-products downrated from high to medium risk will require additional due diligence checks.

It is important that facilities check all raw materials from and verify their suppliers especially if there is a perceived risk of sourcing from known or suspected IUU fishing activity. This requires checking supplier records or procedures in place to understand how the supplier can ensure there is no IUU in the raw material they provide. For raw materials risk rated medium, additional or more frequent checks may be required until the facility is certain that the raw materials are not from IUU fishing activity.

The audit requirements are covered in clause 2.11.3 of the MarinTrust Global Standard for Responsible Supply of Marine Ingredients (the MarinTrust Standard) and associated interpretation guidance.

Approved by-products

- No further checks are required beyond those included in the MarinTrust Standard.

Additional checks of Approved Source with Caution by-products

- Review supplier records or procedures in place.

Additional checks of by-products Approved Source with Caution via Step 3 assessment

- In addition to checks for medium risk Approved Source with Caution by-products, by-products that have had risk downgraded from high to medium at Step 3 (use **Appendix 1** to identify these by-product species), confirm that the relevant traceability information continues to be collected for this by-product. During the audit, a traceability check on any by-products downgraded from high to medium risk shall be included as part of the required traceability checks (Section 4).

Guidance for the applicant/certificate holder

The applicant/certificate holder is responsible for ensuring the relevant actions are taken to comply with the MarinTrust Standard.

The certificate holder is responsible for communicating any changes to the by-products sourced by submitting a scope extension request through the MarinTrust online Application Portal.

Appendix 1 – assessment outcomes

Step 2 Assessment Outcomes

By-product species name	Flag country(ies)	IUCN Red List	CITES Appendices	Step 2 risk status	Step 3 required?
<i>Sardina pilchardus</i> - European pilchard	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Scomber scombrus</i> - Mackerel	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Merlangius merlangus</i> - Whiting	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Merluccius merluccius</i> - European hake	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Lophius piscatorius</i> - Anglerfish/monkfish	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i> - Haddock	France	Vulnerable	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Molva molva</i> - Ling	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Pollachius virens</i> - Saithe	France	Not Evaluated	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Mullus surmuletus</i> - Red mullet	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Mustelus schmitti</i> - Narrownose smoothhound	France	Critically Endangered	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Chelidonichthys cuculus</i> - Red gurnard	France	Least concern	Choose an item.	Medium risk	No
Rajidae - Rays and skates	France	Unable to be determined	Unable to be determined	Medium risk	No
<i>Molva dypterygia</i> - Blue ling	France	Vulnerable	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Pollachius pollachius</i> - Pollack	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Trisopterus luscus</i> - Pouting	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Thunnus alalunga</i> - Albacore tuna	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
<i>Clupea harengus</i> - Herring	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No

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Step 2 Assessment Outcomes – Scope Extension

By-product species name	Flag country(ies)	IUCN Red List	CITES Appendices	Step 2 risk status	Step 3 required?
Scyliorhinus canicula - Lesser-spotted dogfish	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
Raja clavata - Thornback ray	France	Near threatened	Not listed	Medium risk	No
Leucoraja naevus - Cuckoo ray	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No
Raja montagui - Spotted ray	France	Least concern	Not listed	Medium risk	No

Step 3 Assessment Outcomes

By-product species name	Flag country(ies)	Fishing Area	Stock name	Category C Assessment Outcome	Traceability information	Step 3 Risk Outcome
No species require step 3 in the By-Product Assessment Process						

Appendix 2 – detailed assessment outcomes

(step 2 and step 3 if applicable)

Step 2 outcomes

Flag state	Risk rating	Flag score	Port score	General score	Flag State is contracting party or cooperating non-contracting party to all relevant RFMOs	'Carded' under EU Carding system	Flag state party to PSMA	Flag state mandatory vessel tracking for commercial seagoing fleet	WGI Governance rank
France	Medium	3.17	2.39	1.67	1	1	1	1	85.38%

Step 3 outcomes

Category C assessment

Species name		N/A	
Fishing area and stock			
C1	Category C Stock Status - Minimum Requirements		
	C1.1	Fishery removals of the species in the fishery under assessment are included in the stock assessment process, OR are considered by scientific authorities to be negligible.	
	C1.2	The species is considered, in its most recent stock assessment, to have a biomass above the limit reference point (or proxy), OR removals by the fishery under assessment are considered by scientific authorities to be negligible.	
			Clause outcome:
C1.1 Fishery removals of the species in the fishery under assessment are included in the stock assessment process OR are considered by scientific authorities to be negligible. Add rationale here C1.2 The species is considered, in its most recent stock assessment, to have a biomass above the limit reference point (or proxy), OR removals by the fishery under assessment are considered by scientific authorities to be negligible. Add rationale here			
References			

Traceability information

Information provided for Step 3 Path 1 or Path 2

Species name	N/A			
Path 1	Yes ☐ No ☐			
Confirm all KDEs are provided	Yes ☐ No ☐			
Path 2	Yes ☐ No ☐ <i>If yes for Path 2, complete the next section</i>			
Path 2 outcome <i>Countries may be different for Coastal State and Port State.</i>	Flag country	Coastal score	Port score	Risk outcome
				Choose an item.
				Choose an item.

Guidance for Applicants/Certificate holders on improved traceability

When by-product origin cannot be made more granular than major FAO Areas, or when the source fishery is taking place in the High Seas (i.e. outside of EEZs of all relevant nations), an assessor must evaluate the Coastal and Port scores for each nation that straddles that FAO Area. This may lead to higher risk outcomes for an applicant. To mitigate that risk, better practice involves securing KDEs from the source fishery of the by-products, thereby meeting Path 1 instead of Path 2.

What does better practices look like?

Comprehensive data collection and sharing: Collect detailed information using Key Data Elements (KDEs) including vessel identification and authorisation, species, catch areas, fishing method and dates. These are defined in the MarinTrust Standard clauses 2.11.2.2 and 3.2.5.

Supply chain transparency: Maintain detailed records at each step of the supply chain, from capture to final sale, to ensure traceability.

Interoperable systems and technologies to support the collection and transfer of this information.