

FIP History: 2006

- April 2006 – Brussels Seafood Show. SFP hosts first meeting of Russian Pollock Fisheries Improvement Project (FIP) Roundtable. McDonald's, Walmart and Unilever convene suppliers and producers. Four recommendations emerge:
 - (1) producers should form association to represent their interests;
 - (2) engage regulator on fishery improvements;
 - (3) verify legality;
 - (4) explore sustainability certification
- May 2006 – Russian companies meet to discuss sustainability
- August 2006 – Pollock Catchers Association (PCA) launch announced.
- August 2006 - International Fishery Congress. SFP has further dialogue catchers and suppliers.
- December 2006 / January 2007 – PCA explores MSC pre-assessment. SFP and WWF provide advice.



FIP History: 2007

- April 2007 – PCA announce MSC pre-assessment contract signed with certifier
- April 2007 – SFP hosts second FIP Roundtable meeting at the Brussels Seafood Show. Constructive dialogue, Russian producers are central.
- June to August 2007 - various meetings
- September 2007 – International Fisheries Congress
 - SFP presents FIP during plenary
 - PCA announces improvement measures - 4.5% roe recovery, A and B seasons



FIP History: Jan to Sept 2008

- April 2008 – SFP hosts third FIP Roundtable at the Brussels Seafood Show, reviews:
 - Status of fisheries, improvements progress, and MSC certification
 - Development of private sector legal verification schemes
- September 2008 – International Fisheries Congress
 - PCA announces MSC full assessment
 - FIP Roundtable participants announce more formal Partnership to:
 - 1. Systematically review results of MSC pre-assessment
 - 2. Identify any potential or known weaknesses that may hinder certification
 - 3. Develop projects to: (a) clarify whether weaknesses exist, or are due to incomplete information; and (b) strengthen weaknesses where confirmed
 - The FIP supports the work of the PCA in engaging the Russian government. The FIP provides the PCA with advice and examples based on international best practices, for use in their dialog with the government.
 - October 2008 - SFP hosts fourth meeting of FIP during Groundfish Forum (Prague)



FIP History: 2009

- February 2009 – Science, data and methods: FIP hosts International Science Meeting
- April 2009 – Fifth FIP meeting during the Brussels Seafood Show
- June 2009 - FIP consultant on Monitoring, Control, Surveillance and Enforcement (MCSE) visits Vladivostok
- July 2009 - FIP hosts second International Science meeting, with follow up meetings in Vladivostok
- August 2009 – SFP publishes FishSource.org profile for the Sea of Okhotsk pollock fishery
- September 2009 – Sixth FIP meeting during International Fisheries Congress