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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

**Subject: Letter of support from the European Commission for the "Study supporting the evaluation of the landing obligation"**

Dear Sir, / Dear Madam,

This letter is given to you by a team of contractors seeking data or information to support a project funded by the European Commission to carry out a study evaluating the landing obligation intervention, introduced with the 2013 reform of the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP).

The main objective of this specific study, running throughout 2024, is to support the Commissions' evaluation of the intervention introduced with the 2013 reform of the CFP, the landing obligation. Specifically, to gather evidence for an assessment on how the specific intervention has performed and is working, and why it is performing as it does.

The contract study results and findings will be used to help the Commission draw up an evaluation (in a staff working document) providing evidence-based assessment of whether the EU intervention continues to be justified or, where lessons can be learned for improving, whether EU actions should be continued or changed. The contract follows the Better Regulation guidelines. As such, it should provide evidence covering all the five mandatory evaluation criteria of the Better Regulation Guidelines (effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence, EU added value).

This study requires quantitative and qualitative data to evaluate the performance of the landing obligation. Therefore, I would be grateful if all private and institutional contacts could offer their collaboration and provide the consortium with the information requested. Your help will greatly contribute to the successful outcome of the study.

The appropriate confidentiality and non-disclosure clauses have been agreed to by the contractors (annex 1).

Should you request any further information on the study, please contact the DG MARE responsible official, Evelien Ranshuysen ([evelien.RANSHUYSEN@ec.europa.eu](mailto:evelien.RANSHUYSEN@ec.europa.eu)) or the CINEA project advisor responsible for this study, Olalla Lopez-Alvarez ([Olalla.LOPEZ-ALVAREZ@ec.europa.eu](mailto:Olalla.LOPEZ-ALVAREZ@ec.europa.eu)).

Yours faithfully,

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Enclosure: Annex I - Extract from the Framework Contract for services between the Commission and the Contractor, regarding confidentiality and non-disclosure