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Documenting Social Sustainability in the Norwegian Wild Catch fisheries

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Aim

Provide a document, satisfying customer requirements, detailing how social sustainability is safeguarded throughout the wild capture seafood value chain.

Why?



The project

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Standarder for sosial bærekraft



Why not certify?

1. Value of self-declaration?



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2. Cost - Fleet size and structure



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4. Traditional cod toung cutters



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