

## **Shetland Seafood Quality Control Grant Scheme**

### **Scheme Aims**

The Shetland Seafood Quality Control Grant Scheme aims to support SSQC Ltd to provide services for monitoring the quality and safety of both caught and farmed seafood and the environments where it is caught, farmed or processed. In addition the grant also aims to support strong links to other similar centres across the UK, the North Atlantic regions and act as a catalyst for best practice and entrepreneurship within the community and beyond.

The objectives of the support are for SSQC to provide services that achieve the following:

#### **1. Inspectorate Services**

- Stimulate innovation in fisheries – FBER Article 13
- Provision of advisory services to fisheries – FBER Article 14
- Provision of partnership between scientists and fishermen – FBER Article 15
- Promotion of human capital, job creation and social dialogue in fisheries – FBER Article 16
- Support the protection and restoration of marine biodiversity and ecosystems – FBER Article 25
- Support added value, product quality and use of unwanted catches – FBER Article 27
- Support fishing ports, landing sites, auction halls and shelters – FBER Article 28
- Stimulate innovation in aquaculture – FBER Article 30
- Provision of management, relief and advisory services to aquaculture – FBER Article 32
- Promotion of human capital and networking in aquaculture – FBER Article 33
- Increase the potential of aquaculture sites – FBER Article 34
- Support promotion and marketing of fisheries and aquaculture products – FBER Article 41
- Support the processing of fisheries and aquaculture products – FBER Article 42
- Support data collection for fisheries – FBER Article 43

#### **2. Analytical Services**

- Provision of partnership between scientists and fishermen – FBER Article 15
- Promotion of human capital, job creation and social dialogue in fisheries – FBER Article 16
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- Support the processing of fisheries and aquaculture products – FBER Article 42
- Support data collection for fisheries – FBER Article 43

### **3. Socio-Economic and Environmental Services**

- Stimulate innovation in fisheries - FBER Article 13
- Provision of advisory services to fisheries – FBER Article 14
- Provision of partnership between scientists and fishermen – FBER Article 15
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- Support the processing of fisheries and aquaculture products – FBER Article 42

#### **Duration of Scheme**

The scheme will run from 1<sup>st</sup> of May 2015 to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

#### **Eligible Costs**

The costs associated with the provision of services above will be eligible for up to 50% grant funding.

#### **Name of Beneficiary**

SSQC Limited

#### **Title of Aid Measure**

Shetland Seafood Quality Control Grant Scheme

#### **National Legal Basis**

The scheme is supported under Part Three (Power to Advance Well-Being) of the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003.

**Measure Type**

An Aid Scheme

**Size of Enterprise**

Small to Medium Sized (SME)

**Region**

Highlands and Islands of Scotland

**Aid Instrument**

Grant

**Total Annual Budget**

£120,000

**Grant Authority**

Shetland Islands Council  
8 North Ness Business Park  
Lerwick  
ZE1 OLZ

**Objective of the Aid**

The scheme is operated under EC Regulation 1388/2014 and utilises the following articles:

13 – Aid for Innovation

14 – Aid for Advisory Services

15 – Aid for Partnership between Scientists and Fishermen

16 – Aid to Promote Human Capital, Job Creation and Social Dialogue

25 – Aid to Protection and Restoration of Marine Biodiversity etc.

27 – Aid to Added Value, Product Quality and Use of Unwanted Catches

28 – Aid to Fishing Ports, Landing Sites, Auction Halls and Shelters

30 – Aid of Innovation in Aquaculture

32 – Aid to Management, Relief and Advisory Services for Aquaculture Farms

33 – Aid to Promote Human Capital and Networking in Aquaculture

34 – Aid to Increase the Potential of Aquaculture Sites

41 – Aid for Marketing Measures

42 – Aid for the Processing of Fisheries and Aquaculture Products

43 – Aid for Data Collection

The aid intensity is under 50% in accordance with Article 95 of Regulation 508/2014.