

Friend of the Sea recognizes Thai tuna environmental and social sustainability efforts

Twelve major tuna companies have undergone the third party audit according to Friend of the Sea standards. The certification criteria include sourcing from approved Friend of the Sea fleets and social accountability requirements. A producer certified by FOS needs to be compliant with national and International Labour Organization (ILO) regulations on child labor and minimum wages. Companies must grant employees access to healthcare and provide adequate safety measures.

All the audited Thai tuna companies have been found compliant with the social accountability requirements. Their traceability systems allow the segregation of FOS certified product lines.

"We are glad that the entire Thai tuna industry relies on Friend of the Sea for its social and environmental sustainability certification," says **Paolo Bray**, Founder and Director of Friend of the Sea. "We have also carefully followed the industry's efforts to introduce stricter social accountability regulations over the years. This process should be appreciated and encouraged."

MORE INFORMATION

List of Friend of the Sea Thai tuna companies

Asian Alliance International Co. MMP International Co Ltd. P.B. Fishery Products Co., Ltd. Pataya Food Industries Ltd. Siam International Food Co., Ltd. Songkhla Canning PCL Southeast Asian Packaging and Canning limited Spa International Food Group Co., Ltd. Thai Union Frozen Products PCL Thai Union Manufacturing Co., Ltd. Unicord Public Co Ltd (Plant 1) Unicord Public Co Ltd (Plant 2)

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