



## Announcement GDST Executive Director Update 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2024

The Global Dialogue on Seafood Traceability announced on 23<sup>rd</sup> October that Greg Brown has left the organization after a near three-year tenure in which he played an important role in the organizations transition from an initiative hosted by WWF-US to a standalone Dutch Foundation.

Huw Thomas has been appointed as Interim Executive Director whilst the Supervisory Board begins an immediate search for a new Executive Director.

“We are grateful to Greg for his stewardship during his time with GSDT and we wish him the best with any future endeavours,” said GDST’s Supervisory Board Chair, Michael McNicholas. “I can assure the seafood community that GDST will continue with its mission dedicated to creating and sharing a common language for traceability in the seafood supply chain, using data that is both reliable and affordable.”

### About GDST

Established in 2017 as an international, business-to-business platform responding to the need for a shared, **common language for supply chain traceability** to address ethical, responsible, and sustainable seafood supply.

This is developed through our Dialogues and implemented via our Standard.

Originally convened by a partnership between the [World Wildlife Fund \(WWF\)](#) and the [Institute of Food Technologists \(IFT\)](#), the GDST is a non-profit foundation that grew out of a global conversation – our first ‘Dialogue’ – around the central pillars of digital traceability for seafood supply chains. From this Dialogue, emerging from participatory workshops across Asia, Europe, and North America, the global GDST Standard was defined.

The [GDST](#) Standard and associated resources are designed to provide your organisation with a full picture seafood traceability.

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