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BLUE SEA PRODUCTS, LLC

"Committed to enhancing seafood traceability and sustainability."

Blue Sea Products, LLC became a GDST partner in August 2024, motivated by a dedication to improving seafood traceability practices. By partnering with GDST, Blue Sea aims to lead the way in traceability and sustainability advancements while refining the accuracy of key data. The core inspiration for this partnership stems from Blue Sea's commitment to the health and responsibility of the fisheries and products they handle, aligning with growing regulatory demands, consumer calls for transparency, and their internal sustainability objectives.

Importance of Digital Seafood Traceability

For Blue Sea, digital seafood traceability is essential because it enhances transparency, ensures accountability, and supports sustainability across the seafood supply chain. It combats illegal fishing, improves food safety and quality, and builds consumer trust by providing detailed information about the origin and journey of seafood products. Additionally, digital traceability helps ensure regulatory compliance, improves operational efficiency, and enables swift responses to issues such as product recalls. In short, it fosters a more responsible, transparent, and efficient seafood supply chain.

Challenges and GDST Solutions

Like many companies in the industry, Blue Sea faces challenges related to the diverse range of partners with traceability and sustainability requirements. One of the main obstacles is managing the multiple systems and platforms used to collect and share critical information. The GDST has helped Blue Sea streamline key data elements and ensure interoperability between systems. This standardized approach enhances reliability, mitigates risk, and enables smoother collaboration across the supply chain.

Impact on the Industry

Although Blue Sea's partnership with GDST is still in its early stages, the company is confident that it will soon make a significant positive impact. From an industry perspective, GDST has provided a comprehensive framework for digital seafood traceability, helping to streamline methodologies and foster greater synergy across the sector. This guidance supports companies in adopting best practices and achieving more sustainable and transparent practices throughout the supply chain.

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Long-Term Goals

Blue Sea's long-term goal is to see digital seafood traceability become a standard practice across the industry, ensuring seamless collaboration and transparency. Success will be measured by the ability to achieve consistency and efficiency in data collection and exchange, helping to foster stronger networks and drive more sustainable change within the seafood sector.

Advice for Potential GDST Partners

Blue Sea advises businesses looking to adopt digital traceability to embrace the collaborative nature of GDST. The partnership fosters alignment in goals and approaches among industry stakeholders, streamlining processes and ensuring consistent messaging. By working together, businesses can amplify their impact, enhance industry buy-in, and support the exchange of best practices. The collective effort will drive more effective, sustainable change across the seafood sector.

You can learn more about Blue Sea Products, LLC at: <u>Blue Sea Products Website</u> Explore the benefits of GDST partnership at: <u>GDST Get Involved</u>

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