Management Control Procedure

1. Friend of the Sea seafood standards audits and certifications can be carried out only by means of third party certification bodies.

2. Certification bodies carrying out Friend of the Sea seafood standards audits must have requested the National Accreditation Body for extension of their accreditation scope. No private accreditation body will be deemed acceptable for Friend of the Sea accreditation as this would not ensure independence and impartiality of the accreditation body and it would be in infringement of Reg (EG) 765/2008.

3. The World Sustainability Organization S.r.l. authorizes use of the Friend of the Sea registered logo only to those companies and for those products that have achieved seafood certification by accredited certification bodies.

4. Friend of the Sea staff is not involved in seafood certification nor accreditation.

5. Compliance to this procedure is verified by a third party on a yearly basis.