

## International Seafood Sustainability Association (ISSA) ASSOCIATE Membership Application



**Opportunity:** To expand participation in ISSA and its efforts to promote sustainable tuna stocks and their ecosystems, the organization has established an Associate Membership category for smaller processors, traders and marketers committed to supporting ISSF initiatives and complying with ISSF conservation measures – but for whom full membership may not be the right fit.

Before completing this application, please visit the ISSA site to read about the [benefits of ISSA membership](#) and the [application process and timeline](#).

**Associate Membership Criteria:** Processors, traders or marketers defined as primarily purchasers of raw tuna for processing or purchasers of raw tuna or finished tuna products for resale. To be eligible, a company and its majority-owned subsidiaries must generate less than US\$50 million in annual tuna revenues from sales of finished goods/frozen loins and/or trade the round ton equivalent of 10,000 tons but less than 100,000 tons of tuna annually, in the aggregate.

**Application Fee (one-time, non-refundable): \$25,000**

### Application Process:

- Introductory review of ISSA By-Laws, antitrust policy, and existing ISSF conservation measures
- Complete application (attached) and submit application fee
- Successful completion of ISSF traceability review to ensure applicant's ability to comply with ISSF traceability requirements
- Completion of an initial 6-month period of demonstrated compliance with ISSF conservation measures
- Applicants are required to identify any current inability to comply with ISSF conservation measures as this inability will be considered by the Board in evaluation of the application.

### ISSA Associate Members must:

- Complete reviews that show compliance with all ISSA conservation measures
- Pay annual US\$25,000 dues
- Abide by ISSA By-Laws and sign tag agreement
- Abide by terms of antitrust compliance policy

### The ISSA By-Laws include provisions to the effect that:

Membership meetings are held annually for the purposes of presentation of outcomes from ISSF Scientific Advisory Committee Meetings, presentation of progress against ISSF strategic plan, electing ISSA Board Members (every two years) and other business.

All members of ISSA are subject to its [Compliance Policy](#). Associate Membership, as other membership categories, can be terminated for failure to adhere to ISSF sustainability standards as provided in ISSA By-Laws and policies, including its Compliance Policy. If membership of any member is terminated for failure to adhere to ISSF sustainability standards, a company may not reapply for membership for 2 years.

**Timing:** Due to meeting and review requirements membership, applications will be processed in the order that the completed application and fee are received by ISSA. Associate Membership is effective upon receipt of annual dues, as invoiced by ISSA, upon process completion.

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The International Seafood Sustainability Trade Association (ISSA) is a trade association whose members are tuna processors, traders and marketers who, by virtue of their ISSA membership, agree to follow the conservation measures implemented by the International Seafood Sustainability Foundation (ISSF).

ISSF is a global partnership among science, the tuna industry and the environmental non-governmental organization community with a mission to undertake science-based initiatives for the long-term conservation and sustainable use of tuna stocks, reducing bycatch and promoting ecosystem health.

## **International Seafood Sustainability Association (ISSA) ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Please fill out the following form completely and submit it with the appropriate signatures and the application fee to: [info@iss-foundation.org](mailto:info@iss-foundation.org). Fee is payable by company check or bank wire.

Please complete this section about the organization:

**ORGANIZATION NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**ORGANIZATION CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Website \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State/ Province Zip/Postal Code Country

**ORGANIZATION TYPE**

(Example: corporation, limited company, partnership)

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**NATIONALITY / COUNTRY OF REGISTRATION:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Co. Reg. Number \_\_\_\_\_

**PRIMARY BUSINESS ACTIVITIES:** (Example: processing of tuna products)

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**ALL GEOGRAPHIC MARKETS OF OPERATION / INVOLVEMENT:**

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**Please provide a short description of your organization (75 words or less to include company facts, such as history, purpose, size, and location(s). This information may be used on our website.)**

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**Please complete this section about the primary contact person at the organization:**

**ORGANIZATION'S PRIMARY CONTACT PERSON INFORMATION:**

***Each application must include a primary point of contact within the applying organization.***

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company Title \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State/Province Country Zip/Postal Code

In the following table, please list all affiliates, joint ventures, parents and/ or subsidiaries or include the necessary information in an attachment.

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	NATURE OF BUSINESS	REVENUE INCLUDED IN AMOUNT BELOW (Y/N) THEREFORE PART OF ISSA MEMBERSHIP

In the following table, please include product brand names and labels along with the markets where each brand and/or label is sold or include the necessary information in an attachment.

BRAND / LABEL	MARKET(s)

Use the table below to calculate annual dues and check the appropriate category.  
Tuna revenue is for the most recent period from October 1 to September 30.

The ISSA membership year is from January through December. Membership starting mid-year will be pro-rated.

	Revenue Category (US\$)	Annual Dues**
<input type="checkbox"/>	<50 Million	\$25,000

\*\*Rate in US \$ as of most recent September 30

The International Seafood Sustainability Association will review all applications in a timely manner. Please make sure the information provided is complete and accurate. Retain a copy for your records.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, certify that all information herein is true and complete and that I have the authority to submit such an application and authorize the release of the above required information. I hereby apply for membership in the International Seafood Sustainability Association on behalf of the above-named applicant.

Providing false or misleading information in this application form or failure to adhere to ISSA bylaws and policies shall be grounds for denial of membership or expulsion from ISSA whenever discovered.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company Title \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_