



Huso SAS

Disclosure Report
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Disclosure Materials

Certified B Corporations must complete a Disclosure Questionnaire to identify potentially sensitive issues related to the company (e.g. historical fines, sanctions, material litigation, or sensitive industry practices).

This component does not affect the company's score on the B Impact Assessment. If the company answers affirmatively to any items in the Disclosure Questionnaire that B Lab deems relevant for public stakeholders, then, as a condition of their certification, the company must:

- 1) Be transparent about details of the disclosure issues identified on the company's public B Impact Report
- 2) Describe how the company has addressed this issue
- 3) Demonstrate that management practices are in place to avoid similar issues from arising in the future, when necessary.

In all cases, the Standards Advisory council reserves the right to refuse certification if the company is ultimately deemed not to uphold the spirit and integrity of the community.

In addition to the voluntary indication of sensitive issues in the Disclosure Questionnaire, companies pursuing Certification also are subject to a background check by B Lab staff. Background checks include a review of public records, news sources, and search engines for company names, brands, executives/founders, and other relevant topics.

Sensitive issues identified through background checks may or may not be within the scope of questions in the Disclosure Questionnaire, but undergo the same review process and are subject to the same possible review by the Standards Advisory Council, including ineligibility for B Corp Certification, required remediation, or disclosure.

This document contains a copy of the company's completed Disclosure Questionnaire and related disclosure documentation provided by the company



Disclosure Questionnaire

Industries and Products

	Yes	No
Please indicate if the company is involved in production or trade in any of the following. Select Yes for all options that apply.		
Animal Products or Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Biodiversity Impacts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chemicals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Disclosure Alcohol	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disclosure Firearms Weapons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Disclosure Mining	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Disclosure Pornography	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Disclosure Tobacco	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Energy and Emissions Intensive Industries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Fossil fuels Gambling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Genetically Modified Organisms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Illegal Products or Subject to Phase Out	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Industries at Risk of Human Rights Violations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Monoculture Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Nuclear Power or Hazardous Materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Payday, Short Term, or High Interest Lending	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Water Intensive Industries	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tax Advisory Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Outcomes & Penalties

	Yes	No
Please indicate if the company has had any formal complaint to a regulatory agency or been assessed any fine or sanction in the past five years for any of the following practices or policies. Check all that apply.		
Anti-Competitive Behavior	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Breaches of Confidential Information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bribery, Fraud, or Corruption	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Company has filed for bankruptcy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Consumer Protection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Financial Reporting, Taxes, Investments, or Loans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hazardous Discharges Into Air/Land/Water (Past 5 Yrs)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Labor Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Large Scale Land Conversion, Acquisition, or Relocation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Litigation or Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
On-Site Fatality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Penalties Assessed For Environmental Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Political Contributions or International Affairs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Recalls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Significant Layoffs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Violation of Indigenous Peoples Rights	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



Practices

	Yes	No
Please indicate if the following statements are true regarding whether or not the company engages in the following practices. Check all that apply. If the statement is true, select "Yes." If false, select "No."		
Animal Testing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Company/Suppliers Employ Under Age 15 (Or Other ILO Minimum Age)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Company prohibits freedom of association/collective bargaining	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Company workers are prisoners	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Conduct Business in Conflict Zones	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Confirmation of Right to Work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Does not transparently report corporate financials to government	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Employs Individuals on Zero-Hour Contracts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Facilities located in sensitive ecosystems	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ID Cards Withheld or Penalties for Resignation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No formal Registration Under Domestic Regulations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No signed employment contracts for all workers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Overtime For Hourly Workers Is Compulsory	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Payslips not provided to show wage calculation and deductions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

	Yes	No
Sale of Data	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tax Reduction Through Corporate Shells	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Workers cannot leave site during non-working hours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Workers not Provided Clean Drinking Water or Toilets	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Workers paid below minimum wage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Workers Under Bond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Supply Chain Disclosures

	Yes	No
Please indicate if any of the following statements are true regarding your company's significant suppliers.		
Business in Conflict Zones	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Child or Forced Labor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Negative Environmental Impact	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Negative Social Impact	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



Disclosure Questionnaire Statement

Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Animal Products and Services

Topic	Company sources and retails animal products
Summary of Issue	SAS Huso is a company based in France that breeds and sells sturgeon meat and its derived products including caviar. The two species of sturgeon that the company breeds are both endangered and on the list of endangered species. The majority of the company's product portfolio is certified Friends of the Sea and is Certified Organic.
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	100% of the company's revenue consists of products from the fishing, fisheries, and aquaculture industry. >90% of the company's product portfolio is Certified Friends of the Sea.
Impact on Stakeholders	The fishing industry may have negative environmental impacts on their affected marine ecosystems, e.g., overfishing, loss of biodiversity, pollution. Furthermore, the fishing industry is at risk of human rights violations in their supply chains.
Implemented Management Practices	<p>SAS Huso's breeding system is the open circuit without filtration or treatment of the water at the entrance. The renewal of all their basins is 20 to 50% / hour depending on the age of the fish.</p> <p>Friends of the Sea contributes to the development of the sustainable seafood movement by certifying companies that reduce mortality of endangered species, stimulate improvement in fish stocks' management, promote appropriate waste management, and social accountability. The Friend of the Sea standard is recognized by national accreditation bodies and audits are carried out on-site by independent certification bodies.</p> <p>In addition to obtaining the Friends of the Sea Certification and being certified Organic, the company follows the AquaR��a (Responsible Aquaculture), addressing matters related to breeding and resource management. The current method to evaluate animal wellbeing is to consider the mortality in breeding, which is currently 1.7% of the biomass for FY22, a rate lower than the average for sturgeon farms in France (3-4%).</p>

Disclosure Questionnaire Statement

Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Facilities located in sensitive ecosystems

Topic	Company has the breeding site located adjacent to Isle River, its banks and the accompanying wetland.
Summary of Issue	<p>The sensitive ecosystem is the Isle river, its banks, and the accompanying wetland.</p> <p>The protections in France are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Water Law: protects the river, its banks • The site has classification as a NATURA 2000 zone, which entails specific protection measures (fauna, flora)
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	100% of the company's production occurs in the breeding site that is located in a sensitive ecosystem.
Impact on Stakeholders	<p>The risks of the company's operation on the sensitive ecosystem are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The release of alien species (Siberian sturgeons and Oscietra) into the river • Restrictions on animal movements and their reproduction • Destruction of the habitat of rare species
Implemented Management Practices	<p>As users of the area, SAS HUSO respects very specific rules and carries out environmental impact studies before any action. The summary of these rules is defined in the ICPE decree (Installation Classified for the Protection of the Environment)</p> <p>To go further, the company wishes to sign a contract with the protection teams of the Natura 2000 area.</p>



Disclosure Questionnaire Statement

Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Alcohol

HUSO SAS is involved in the production or sale of alcohol, which has risks of potential negative impact on the health and well-being of individuals and their communities. Based on the size of the company, these impacts may be limited. Certified B Corps are required to make transparent their involvement in such industries.

Any party aware of specific company practices related to their marketing or other topics that could contribute to the negative impacts of alcohol, and which may constitute a violation of the B Corp standards, may contact us via our [public complaints procedure](#)



Disclosure Questionnaire Statement

Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Biodiversity and/or Monoculture

HUSO SAS is involved in activities that could affect local biodiversity, meaning that they are more likely to have significant impacts on the environment given its interference with the balance of local fauna and flora. Certified B Corps are required to make transparent their involvement in such practices.

Any party aware of specific company practices that have had a negative impact related to their involvement in the sensitive industry, and which may constitute a violation of the B Corp standards, may contact us via our [public complaints procedure](#).

For more information about the company's practices, please visit the company's webpage and download their sustainability report, accessible here :

<https://caviar-deneuvic.com/fr/content/40-valeurs-gouvernance-et-rse>



Disclosure Questionnaire Statement

Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Water Intensive industry

HUSO SAS is involved in the production/sale of products, or is part of an industry that can potentially be classified as water intensive, meaning that they are more likely to have significant impacts on the environment, such as water stress or depletion of local water sources if water use is not appropriately managed. Certified B Corps are required to make transparent their involvement in such activities or industries.

Any party aware of specific company practices that have had a negative impact related to its involvement in these or other controversial industries, and which may constitute a violation of the B Corp standards, may contact us via our [public complaints procedure](#).

For more information about the company's practices, please visit the company's webpage/sustainability report, accessible here :

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