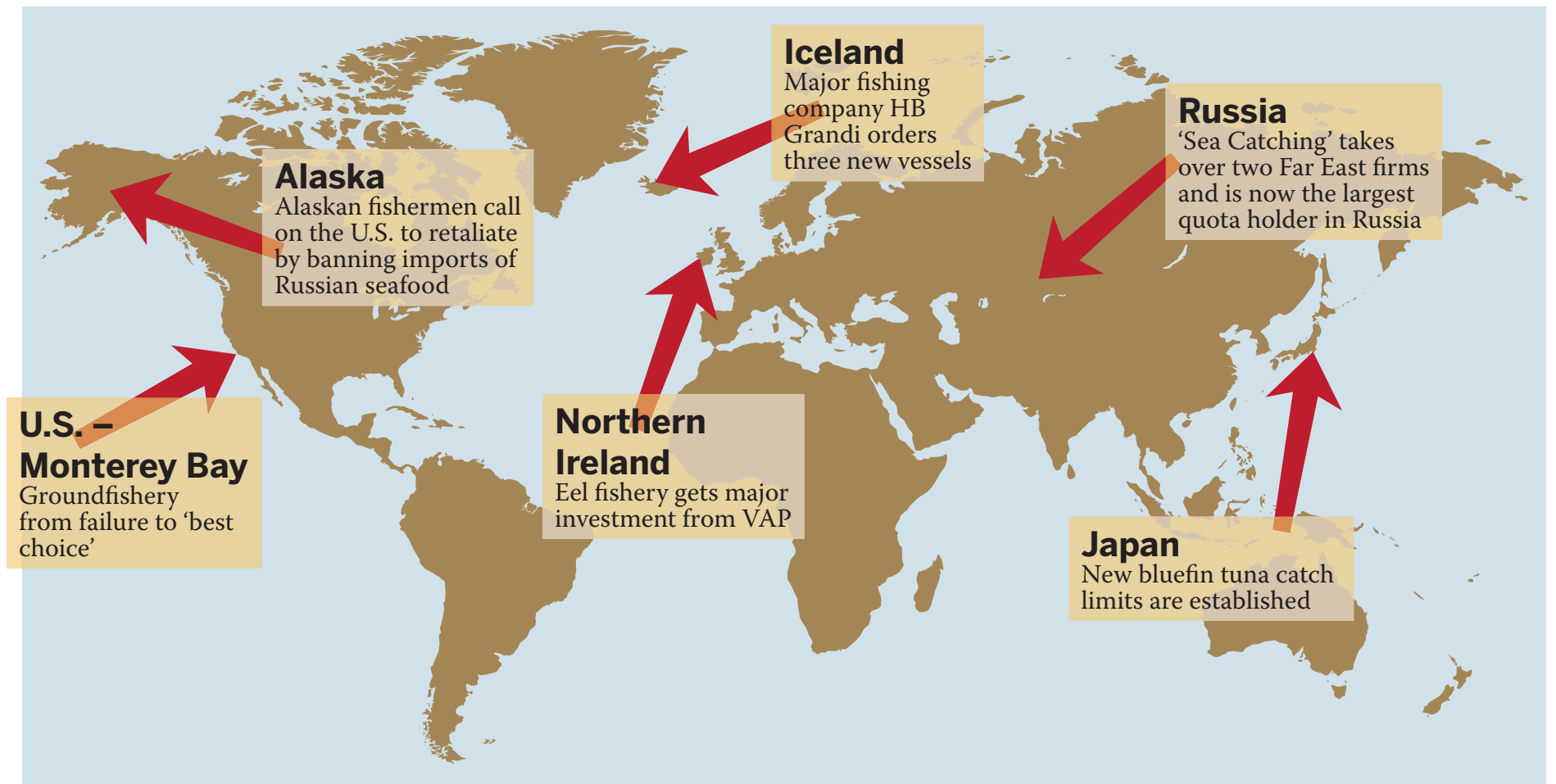


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Icelandic quartet ordered from Turkish yard

Icelandic companies Samherji and Fisk Seafood signed a contract today at the Nor-Fishing exhibition in Trondheim for four new DNV class fresher trawlers to be delivered in 2016, three for Samherji and one for Fisk Seafood to be built at the Cemre yard in Turkey.

The four 61.50m LOA by 13.50m beam trawlers are designed by Icelandic naval architect Skipatækni and each of the identical vessels is designed to have a 900 cubic metre fish-room and a propulsion system with 1620kW main engine swinging a 3800mm diameter propeller via a two-step gearbox.

Winches are electric and the trawlers are designed for maximum quality alongside low running costs.

The four vessels represent the Cemre yard's single largest fishing vessel order and the yard's first order for an owner outside Norway.

Originally a painting yard, Cemre started working with Havyard in Norway to deliver hulls for offshore support vessels and has delivered more than thirty of these in only eight years, as well as working on delivering complete deliveries, such



ORHAN GÜLCEK: chairman of the board of directors of the Cemre shipyard in Turkey and Kristján Vilhelmsson of Icelandic fishing company Samherji shake on the deal to build three trawlers for Samherji and one for Fisk Seafood

as the new 75m trawler/purser Østerbris that was completed earlier this year, as well as two seismic support vessels.

The yard has recently doubled its working space with an additional 65,000 square metres for vessel construction, which will be needed for the four new fresher trawlers for Iceland.

The first is due to be delivered in the summer of 2016, with the other three following at short intervals to complete the series before the end of the year.

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“Due to the impact that Russia’s ban on seafood imports is having, the EU must allow quota flexibility so that up to 30% of this year’s mackerel quota can be ‘banked’ until the year after. This will take real political will and pelagic fishermen need an early decision on quota flexibility before the mackerel season in October”

– **Jamie McGrigor**
Member of Scottish Parliament



Norwegian seafood firms form seafood alliance to battle trade barriers

During the Nor-Fishing exhibition in Trondheim, seafood organizations agreed to form the new Seafood Alliance, after Norwegian Fishermen’s Association chairman Kjell Ingebrigtsen stated how tariff walls and various trade barriers made trade difficult and for some products “impossible.”

Behind the alliance stand Norwegian Fishermen, Fishery and Aquaculture Industry Association, the Norwegian Seafood Association, the Norwegian Fishermen’s Sales Organization, NSS and Samarbeidrad sales organization. The primary objective of the new alliance is to ensure full market access in Norwegian seafood markets worldwide.

“We cannot sit still and watch trade barriers,” said Geir Ove Ystmark, managing director at the Norwegian Seafood Federation. “The coast is very important for employment and communities, by joining forces, we will be far stronger.”

Seafood Alliance will have regular meetings in the future.

Norwegian authorities were informed about the alliance, and a meeting between Ystmark, Ingebrigtsen and Minister Vidar Helgesen took place on Friday.