

## ***Interactive comment on “Ecological niche of three teuthophageous odontocetes in the northwestern Mediterranean Sea” by E. Praca and A. Gannier***

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We thank the anonymous referee #2 for highlighting the need to improve the English of the manuscript, particularly for the sentences emphasized in the technical comments. The corrected manuscript will be reread by a native English person in order to fill in this lack.

Concerning the method, adds will be done concerning the definition of the Boyce index and the threshold between predicted absence and presence. However, as said in the text, the Boyce index is just a Spearman rank correlation between  $F_i$  (predicted-to-expected ratio) and the average HS index of the different windows. It is carried out to evaluate the trend of the p/e curves, varying between -1 ("perfect" negative correlation) and 1 ("perfect" positive correlation).

An effort will be made to write the Results and Discussion sections with shorter sentences, in order to have a paper more accessible to the non-specialist reader.

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