

Manifesto of Understanding

We, representatives of the

Confédération Internationale de la Pêche Sportive (CIPS),

European Federation of Sea Angling (EFSA),

International Game Fishing Organization (IGFA),

at our meetings in Budapest, the July 1 2017, expressed our willingness to co-operate for promoting the sport fishing and the recreational angling and to give our cooperation a new orientation.

We are aware that the future of the sport fishing and recreational angling are depending of our responsibility and engagement to the environment and to the living being of the waters. For us fishing is an expression of the love the fishermen have for the nature, so we will do all the sacrifices necessary to protect the environment, the nature and the aquatic animals.

To promote this

- We make efforts to form common positions in international organizations, especially in the FAO, ICCAT, EIFAC and all organizations threatening of problems which interest the anglers. We confirm our conviction to be further strengthened to better represent anglers' interests, and on the basis of these common positions we should promote coordinated action by international fishing federations.
- We make efforts to raise awareness and encourage young anglers to have a deep respect for nature, protect the environment and take concrete action to this effect in both recreational and sport fishing,
- We make common efforts to ensure in all topics that we relevant to promote cooperation and are of mutual interest, especially in the fields of fishing legislation, the protection of the environment, water conservation, fish-farming, private fishing businesses, and the fight against poachers.

Therefore we appeal all international fishing and angling organizations for joining to our initiative to promote the cooperation and common efforts for the future and for the sustainability of the sport fishing, of the recreational angling.



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