



Memorandum of Understanding between
**Confédération Internationale de la Pêche Sportive (C.I.P.S.) and
European Federation of Sea Anglers (EFSA)**

Mission

EFSA is seeking to

1. To promote the sport of Sea Angling with rod and line and to seek to be connected or affiliated with other similar bodies throughout the world.
2. To encourage the study of fish for the sake of whatever pleasure, information, conservation, or other benefit it may provide.
3. To establish and maintain standards of ethics for the Sport of Sea Angling and to agree rules governing the sport in Europe, especially in Championships, Festivals and Competitions of all kinds.
4. To provide information, as appropriate, to interested persons or organisations.
5. To establish and maintain a duly attested list of European Sea Fish Records under the appropriate headings of Boat, Shore and Line Classifications.
6. To encourage the keeping of national Sea Fish Records by all members on the same basis.
7. To keep a watching brief on all commercial fishing interests in European waters and take appropriate action when and where necessary, either directly or in concert with other interested organisations.

C.I.P.S.

The International Angling Confederation is an Organization of universal nature, which has the goal to promote, coordinate and improve all the activities in touch with the fishing from a sporting point of view. **Encouraging and promoting sport fishing for youth is another important objective of C.I.P.S.**

Its sporting, technical, scientific or cultural activities are opened to all regardless of race, social, politics, gender or religion, according to the principles of the Olympic ideal. **A major purpose is to promote sustainable and responsible fishing in accordance with the objectives of conservation and protection of the environment and the nature.**

The CIPS action stretches all over the world. It is the only organization, which represents the great community of sport anglers.

Structure/Championships

EFSA: As an individual membership organisation, EFSA is organised through sections and affiliations with a European focus. Any EFSA event such as EFSA European competitions and sections/affiliations championships and festivals are open to every individual member. EFSA events might include team categories such as sections teams, open and drawn teams consisting of individual members participating as individual members anyway, not as national team representing officially a nation.

C.I.P.S.: The International Angling Confederation is structured on three international sport-fishing federations: the International Fresh Water Sport Fishing Federation (FIPS-ed), the International Fly Sport Fishing Federation (FIPS-Mouche), and the International Sea Sport Fishing Federation (FIPS-M). The International Casting Sport Fishing Federation (ICSF) is associated member of the CIPS.

Currently 135 National Federations from 70 countries and 1 international fishing organization, representing altogether about 50 million members are belonging to CIPS.

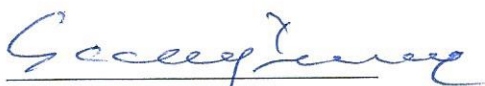
Under the aegis of the C.I.P.S., the International Federations organize every year World championships, European Championships and other international events. As member of the SportAccord, only CIPS has the right to organize official nation and individual championships, to use officially the titles of World, European and other continental Championships and to attribute those titles to the winners. Since 2000, C.I.P.S. has been organizing three editions of "Mondiaux", the Sport Fishing Games, where all sport-fishing disciplines are represented.

Recognition

Both EFSA and C.I.P.S. recognize each other's efforts in promoting sport fishing through organizing fishing events where anglers meet and contest for titles.

Given the different nature of the structures and participation criteria, as far as sea angling is concerned, EFSA and C.I.P.S. do not compete with each other's events.

It is still possible, though, for individual anglers being member of EFSA to compete in C.I.P.S. events as long as they qualify through their respective National Federations. Likewise, any qualified anglers of C.I.P.S. can participate in any EFSA event as long as they are individual members of EFSA.



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