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## **FIPS-M Activity report 2024**

(Gilbert Zangerlé, President FIPS-M)

### **Composition of the FIPS-M board as of 1.1.2024**

#### **Board of Directors:**

Gilbert Zangerlé (President)  
Attilio La Porta (Secretary General)  
Alberto Marchi (Vice-President: Environment)  
Carlos Baptista (Vice-President: Technical Commission)  
Juan Antonio Barreda (Vice-President: Youth Promotion)  
Louis Morvan (Treasurer)

#### **Technical Commission:**

Carlos Baptista (President of the Technical Commission); Carlos Vinagre (Boat Angling); Arthur Van Tienen (Shore Angling); Fethi Bayar (Long Casting of Sea Weights); Attilio La Porta (Big Game ad Interim)

### **Meetings**

#### **General Assembly 2024:**

The FIPS-M General Assembly took place in Cape Town on April 19, 2024.

#### **Other meetings:**

- January 8: Meeting by videoconference - Subject: Request for exemption, from the Spanish federation, regarding the regulation for fishing after sunset at the 2024 Senior and Ladies Shore Angling Championship.
- January 12-13: Meeting of the working group for the BIG GAME rules (in Luxembourg)
- February 15-18: Annual meeting, in the presence of the Committee in Luxembourg  
Meeting to prepare the 2024 General Assembly

February 27: Meeting by videoconference - Subject: Use of the disgorger

March 11: Meeting by videoconference - Subject: Discussion of the technical commission documents

June 26: Meeting by videoconference - Subject: Analysis of the 2024 Championships, Specifications for 2025, New ChM Big Game Club and ChM for disabled anglers.

18-19 September: Meeting with FIPSAS in Rome to finalize the rules for disabled

30 October: Meeting by video conference - Subject: Irish Federation complaint regarding the Boat World Championship (Seniors)

## **2024 Championships**

In 2024, FIPS-M organised 15 World Championships,

- 8 Shore Angling Championships: Youth, Juniors, Seniors, Ladies, Masters, Pairs, Clubs, Float
- 4 Boat Championships: Juniors, Seniors, Clubs, Kayak
- 2 Long Casting of Sea Weights: Seniors, Ladies
- 1 Big Game Championship

In 2024 a total of 158 teams (178 in 2023) 811 competitors (775 in 2023) participated.

## **Anti-doping controls**

In 2024, eight anti-doping controls were planned. Due to a misunderstanding by the organizing federation, the two controls planned for the Big Game Championship in Mexico were not carried out. No positive cases have been reported to us.

## **Membership application**

In 2024, FIPS-M had 42 member federations

The IRAN federation has applied and provided all the necessary papers to become a member of FIPS-M from 2025.

## **Cash balance**

In 2024, FIPS-M ended with a negative result of 2062,22 €.

Net situation as of December 31, 2024: 55653,46 €.

## **Conclusions of the President**

As President of the International Sea Fishing Federation, I am proud to tell you that the year 2024 was particularly significant for FIPS-M.

Despite some difficult times at the end of the year, significant progress has marked the development of our International Federation, and I am very pleased with the improvement made.

Among the major events, the complete revision of the Big Game regulations and the introduction of the Big Game Championship for clubs has made it possible to give more importance to this discipline.

Furthermore, it should be noted that from 2025, all FIPS-M championships will be "Catch and Release".

However, what fills me with the greatest pride is the inclusion of disabled anglers in our activities. Indeed, after having put in place specific regulations for shore fishing and float fishing, we are pleased to announce the organization, in 2025, of the first World Shore Fishing Championship for disabled anglers. I hope that this Championship will be crowned with great success.

At our elective General Assembly, it will be essential that our executive committee as well as the technical commission will be composed again of members engaged in all the disciplines of FIPS-M. An ambitious board, with a global vision for sport fishing, the preservation of the environment and the promotion of Youth will be the key to our long-term success.

Finally, my warm thanks go to the organizers of the championships and the participating federations, but also to our friends who supported us and to my committee for the work it has accomplished during the year 2024.

