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Welcome to the latest edition of the International Pole & Line Foundation's newsletter! Find out about IPNLF's newest members, get the update from the world's largest tuna fishery meetings and learn about our important collaborative projects.

IPNLF reaches three new fishing geographies

The New Year has brought about exciting growth for IPNLF in the form of additional network members. A strong member network is vital for increasing the momentum of change that benefits the environment and communities. Our latest members span new geographical ranges of Senegal, Canada and St Helena. Meet them here:

Asociacion Atuneros Cañeros (Dakar Tuna) is a tuna fishing association representing eight pole-and-line fishing vessels in Senegal. They believe in responsible, sustainable fishing and have always fished by pole-and-line.



The **Canadian Highly Migratory Species Foundation (CHMSF)** is a not-for-profit association representing the British Columbia North Pacific one-by-one albacore tuna fishery, formed in 2002. This fishery catches albacore by troll and jig, a form of one-by-one tuna fishing that uses barbless hooks and has minimal impact on the marine environment.



St Helena Fisheries Corporation (SHFC) is a non-governmental organisation, which was established in 1979 under the St Helena Fisheries Corporation Ordinance, for the purpose of supporting the sustainable development of the island's fisheries.

[Contact us](#) if you'd like to find out more about how IPNLF membership can benefit your own organisation.

Important pro-sustainability outcomes from latest WCPFC meeting

The recent Western & Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) annual meeting brought a number of positive outcomes in terms of management improvements.



Skipjack tuna, caught by pole-and-line. Photo © Paul Hilton & IPNLF

WCPFC agreed to develop harvest strategies for all major tuna fisheries, which is an important step in the establishment of a sustainable management framework across the Western and Central Pacific Ocean tuna fisheries, and one of the key proposals IPNLF was hoping to see get across the finish line this year.

It's important we recognise the work of our members that, among other proactive measures, wrote letters to their respective WCPFC representatives, encouraged action through media channels, and joined country delegations. The supply chain engagement most certainly contributed to some very positive outcomes for the one-by-one fisheries in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean this year.

You can read more about IPNLF's policy and advocacy team's perspective on the WCPFC meeting outcomes in [Adam Baske's latest Blog](#).

Partnership for small-scale fisheries

Tuna are wild and wonderful beasts, and addressing the problems tuna fisheries face is both crucial and complex. IPNLF and our partners recognise how intertwined the success of fisheries, communities and businesses are - and how a collaborative spirit is fundamental to creating change.



Indonesian small-scale handline tuna fisher. (© MDPI)

Read the [latest blog here](#), from our partner [Masyarakat dan Perikanan Indonesia \(MDPI\)](#), and learn how IPNLF is working with them and [Asosiasi Perikanan Pole & Line dan Handline Indonesia \(AP2HI\)](#) to support and develop Indonesia's sustainable one-by-one tuna fisheries.

Until next time, stay Tuna'd...

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