



Regarding the licence suggested for some species, we think that it would be very problematic because some countries have already several compulsory recreational fishing licences. Adding one more licence for each species that is subject to a special management plan would end up putting too much pressure and bureaucracy on recreational fishers, thus seriously limiting their will to cooperate.

We consider that the same objective can be achieved with the compulsory general register that we suggested before together with the compulsory declaration of catches for these species.

In case that App technologies are considered, we suggest to take into account recent papers<sup>ii</sup> that have studied the issue in detail.

For any further question that could arise, you can contact us at [ifsua@ifsua.net](mailto:ifsua@ifsua.net)

Sincerely,

<sup>i</sup> Zarauz L. et al., 2015. *Comparing different survey methods to estimate European sea bass recreational catches in the Basque Country*, ICES Journal of Marine Science.

<sup>ii</sup> Venturelli P. A., Hyder K., Skov C., 2017. *Angler apps as a source of recreational fisheries data: opportunities, challenges and proposed standards*, Fish and fisheries, 2017, 18, 578-595.

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