

ICFA Mission Statement:

The International Coalition of Fisheries Associations (ICFA) is a coalition of the national fish and seafood industry trade associations from the world's major fishing nations. ICFA members represent countries harvesting more than 85% of the globe's fish. The group was formed in 1988 to provide decision-makers a unified voice on global fish and seafood issues.

ICFA members advocate policies for the long-term sustainable use of living marine resources for the benefit of global food security and prosperity. ICFA members are deeply committed to science-based and fully participatory fishery conservation and management processes.

ICFA is a recognized Non-Governmental Organization observer for United Nations agencies.

ICFA members meet twice per year to identify trends, develop policies, agree on a work plan, and approve a budget. ICFA meets in Rome and New York, to facilitate meetings with various UN agencies addressing seafood issues. In addition, ICFA members participate in various UN meetings at which fisheries issues are debated, ensuring the seafood industry's voice is heard.