



Welcome to the EFSA Game Championship, Dakar, Senegal; 2nd-9th October 2010.

This year's Championship sees the Federation visiting a new venue on the African continent; Dakar, the Capital City of Senegal is at the westernmost point of mainland Africa and is blessed with deep water very close to shore. The time chosen for our Championship was approved by the Standing Committee after having previously received a breakdown of the venue and species likely at different times of the year. Once a preference had been agreed, World Sportfishing in consultation with local skippers and EFSA Officers indicated a period of dark moon times as being best for the offshore fishing giving the greatest chance of Billfish. Well that explains the venue and time, now it is only fair to explain why a package deal from a dedicated operator is on offer.

Richard Sheard of World Sportfishing is an experienced angler and travel consultant based in the U.K. his company is ATOL bonded. ATOL provides cover on aspects of a package tour in the event of solvency problems with the operator, airline, hotel or any part of the package. Richard has offered us a package that is inclusive of flights from Madrid / Lisbon, transfers to and from the airport, 3 or 4 star hotel accommodation based on a bed and breakfast basis, transfers to and from the boats, bait each competition day, boats with skipper and deckhand, welcome buffet and boat draw, prize presentation and Gala Dinner with band and the services of his company to co-ordinate events before and during the Championship. In addition anglers and their guests are offered the facility of booking connecting flights to and from Madrid / Lisbon from their respective home countries and packed lunches on competition days at an additional cost. Connecting flights booked in this way will ensure luggage is tagged through to the final destination; this lessens the stress of travelling and subsequent chances of mislaying luggage. Extra days prior to or after the event can likewise be accommodated. Extra days fishing will also be offered by World Sportfishing. The package offered; separate PDF file ([EFSA Package offer for Game Championship-Senegal 2010](#)) will give each Section / competitor a single point of contact relating to flights, accommodation and the package offered. The 4 hotels on offer are:

4* Terrou-Bi where the boats will depart and return to each day; www.terroubi.com

4* Le Meridien President; www.lemeridienpresidentdakar.com

3* Hotel Savana Dakar; www.savana.sn

3* La Madrague; many references if you care to search the internet.

World Sportfishing have secured us discounts of approximately 30% on the prices for 2010.

For those who wish to arrange everything themselves apart from entry to the event, World Sportfishing have also quoted a price for anglers and non anglers based purely on the following:
Welcome buffet and boat draw evening.

Entry to the competition with boats and bait

Prize ceremony and Gala Dinner with band.

Please note no transfers to and from any event or the boats will be included with this option.

Entry forms must be completed with all pertinent details on the separate PDF ([EFSA Senegal Booking Form](#)). Section Secretaries only must forward all forms from members of their Sections and subsequent payments to World Sportfishing by the dates indicated as detailed on the entry form. Section Secretaries are also responsible for forwarding the separate EFSA HQ levy of £25.00 per angler to Arthur White, EFSA HQ Treasurer by 1st June 2010.

As with all matters relating to travel it is strongly advisable to secure your own personal insurance cover. Additionally check health and visa requirements to and from Senegal from your home country.

Please research the venue for yourself to gain an insight into what to expect from Senegal and Dakar in particular. Online travel guides and the excellent Lonely Planet guide edition 4 to Gambia and Senegal, just released, will give you a flavour of this exotic and exciting venue.

Peter Lobs, Championship and Festival Officer, Game, in concert with David Styles in his capacity from the Host Section, England, will be responsible for all angling decisions regarding the Championship.

Championship rules will be available at a later date, however, please bear in mind that this Championship is arranged to realise the potential of the “Premier Species” of the area: Blue Marlin, White Marlin and Sailfish with accompanying Dorado and Yellowfin Tuna. All other species will be scored on the basis of limiting them to a maximum of 10 of each species and the resultant points score will be low so as to encourage angling for the “Premier Species”.

This will be a strict no landing or kill event for Billfish.

We are really looking forward to meeting up with all our EFSA friends in Senegal, Peter, David and Richard.

