



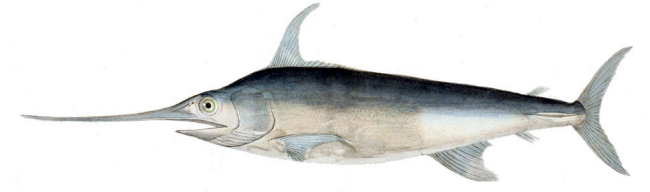
Vietnam Swordfish Handline FIP

A fishery improvement project (FIP) is a multistakeholder effort to address environmental challenges in a fishery

SUMMARY

In November 2017 Sea Delight commissioned a pre-assessment, based on Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) standards for sustainable fisheries, of the Vietnam swordfish handline fishery.

The Vietnam Handline Swordfish FIP will work in cooperation with and contribute to the ongoing work in the Vietnam Tuna Handline FIP, the "parent fishery" of the swordfish handline fishery. The FIP work plan focuses on activities to create a swordfish management plan.



Swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*)



Serving suggestion

Species	Swordfish (<i>Xiphias gladius</i>)
Location	Binh Dinh, Phu Yen and Khanh Hoa Provinces fishing in Vietnam EEZ
Gear	Handline
Stakeholders & Participants	Sea Delight, CeDePesca
Start Date	October 2018

KEY QUALITIES

- ✓ Active supply chain participation
- ✓ Public commitment
- ✓ Timebound objectives defined
- ✓ Public work plan
- ✓ On FisheryProgress.org

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS



MSC pre-assessment

In November 2017 a MSC pre-assessment was completed for the Vietnam handline swordfish fishery.



Supporting FIP Action Plan

ETP List in reference to Decree 26 released by Vietnam fishery authorities. This move provides considerable support to FIP Action Plan tasks.



Participation

MARD D-Fish formally invited to begin discussion on Vietnam Management Plan for swordfish.

TIMELINE

2017

MSC pre-assessment completed

2018

Draft work plan completed

FIP framework agreement signed

2019

Volunteer fisher/observer application tested and training completed

VINATUNA recognizes the FIP as it is a secondary catch fishery of the VN handline tuna fleet

Parent fishery declared 100% handline by VN Tuna FIP review team

2020

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2021

2022

2023

2024

TBD

FIP Complete

