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To whom it may concern,

Slovak Fishing Union and Slovak Sport Fishing Association have been members of FIPS – Mouche for years. Not only we have taken part in World Championships, European Championships, World Championships Masters or World Championships – Juniors, organised by FIPS – e.d., we have also participated in organizing numerous competitions with your organization. With that experience in mind, we want to introduce some rule changes worth consideration and discussion for the good of our sport that we love so much.

There is the Article 12 (regarding team members) in your rules which we propose to change (partly).

ARTICLE 12: WHO MAY PARTICIPATE

12.2. Teams are drawn from the membership of their national organisation, and **each team member must be a citizen of his team's country**

- a) A team member, who is a national of two or more countries at the same time, may represent any one of them, as he chooses. However, after having represented one country in a FIPS-Mouche event, he may not represent another country except under the conditions set forth in paragraph 2.
- b) A team member who has represented one country in an official FIPS-Mouche competition and who wishes to represent another country of which he is also a national, may only do so when at least three years have passed since the team member last represented another country.

Our proposal: Coach of the national team does not have to be a citizen of the country that nominates him/her in the position.

Reasoning:

1. Giving a chance for improvement to countries that have not reached top quality so far by employing coaches from successful fly-fishing countries. We believe, that they will not only be able to improve their competitors' quality but the overall quality of our fly-fishing community as well.
2. We do not know other sport federation which does not allow non-citizen coaches.(such examples are present in the world of sport – Italian coach of Slovak Football national Team, Canadian coach of Slovak Ice-hockey National Team, Italian coaches of P.Vlhová, Belgian coach of Slovak Volleyball National Team, etc.)

ARTICLE 2: GENERAL INFORMATION

International competition of competitors nominated by

Member Federations NOT geographically located on

European continent

- age / sex categories as follows:

Category Definition

SENIORS Over 18 at any point during the year of competition

YOUTH Ages 14–18 at any point during the year of competition

MASTERS Over 50 at any point during the year of competition

LADIES Female over 18 at any point during the year of competition

Our proposal: Moving age limit for World Championship Masters from 50 to 60 years of age.

Reasoning: Fifty year old fly-fishing competitors are still at a very high level when it comes to experience, but also physically they are still capable of taking part in World Championships.

Best regards,



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