



39th CIPS Congress
Niagara Falls, United States
May 10-13, 2018





**CIPS President
Ferenc Szalay**



Dear Sport Fishing Friends,

We are again before a great event of our Confederation, the 39th Congress of the International Sport Fishing Confederation, CIPS. A special event in these beautiful days of May under the exciting beauty of the Niagara Falls. A special congress for several reasons.

We will all gather together in the American continent after the Congress of Cancun 2015– and after the Middle East, Africa and Central America, we are now for the first time in Northern America. We know it required many sacrifices by our national federations. But we all know, our confederation is a worldwide and universal organization, and the decision of the CIPS Congress to hold this assembly in the United States confirms and emphasizes the fact that the sport fishing is developing all over the world, providing always more possibilities for the universality of our outdoor sport, for the environmental safeguard and the health of future generations.

It is also a special occasion because we will all gather for the first time in the United States, a Country with a long sport fishing tradition, rich in very active fishing associations for developing our sport. I would like to thank our American member federation and our American sport fishing friends for getting charge of the organization of this year great event of our confederation.

We are going during these 3 days to discuss the situation of the sport fishing and to set out what there is do in the future for the promotion, the most important task of our angling community. We need these two important operations for coordinating our actions.

I know it is not a simple task. But the development of our sport, the future and the sustainability of the sport fishing raises very serious questions, therefore we need to strengthen our activity for protecting the environment and the aquatic world – these are the most important instruments for growing our sport fishing prestige in the eyes of those ones that are without. Sport fishing walks side by side with the love of the nature, the protection of the nature, sustainability of the environment and the safeguarding and welfare of our sports partners, fishes. As the founders of our confederation said 65 years ago “we always desire to determine all reasonable limitations and all necessary sacrifices to protect the world of aquatic animals”.

65 years ago, 20 federations founded CIPS and currently 144 National Federations from 77 countries and one international fishing organization, representing altogether about 50 million members, belong to our International Sport Fishing Confederation, the largest angling organization, the engine of the sport fishing. It is our own responsibility and the responsibility of our Congress to use this influence for the promotion of our sport. Therefore, I am convinced it is fundamental for our sport to be recognized, through our confederation as integral part of the international sport movement. This is the main reason why we requested the recognition by the International Olympic Committee as Olympic sport and make our sport be more spectacular, more visible and understandable as a priority for the media and by the media for everybody.

Finally, I express my warmest welcome in Niagara Falls to this 39th Congress and wish all convened a nice stay and a very good and efficient occasion for discussing together getting back home with the pleasure that we did a big positive step towards a more successful future of our beloved sport: the sport fishing.

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Ferenc Szalay
President
Confédération Internationale de la Pêche Sportive





USAC President

Joel McDearmon

The U.S. Angling Confederation, Inc.
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Dear Friends,

The US Angling Confederation takes great pleasure in welcoming all nations to Niagara Falls, New York for the 39th Annual CIPS Congress. It is a great honor to be chosen to host our first Congress.

Niagara Falls, on the Niagara River, is located on the border between the United States and Canada, and is a favorite location not only for tourism, but also for the exceptional fishing available on this area.

In closing, please accept our sincere gratitude for traveling to the United States, and we sincerely hope your time here is enjoyable and productive.

Respectfully,

Joel McDearmon
President
United States Angling Confederation

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President and CEO Destination Niagara USA

John H. Percy

Welcome to Niagara Falls USA!

Destination Niagara USA is honored to host Confederation Internationale de la Pêche Sportive in Niagara Falls, New York as the first USA destination for the Congress. As our destination is surrounded by water supplied by the Great Lakes, we know the importance of fishing, both leisure and competitive. This is a perfect location for a future tournament or two!

While we know you will be conducting very important, intense and ground-breaking meetings in Niagara USA, we promise we will offer you opportunities to truly experience Niagara Falls as you never imagined were possible. The world-famous Niagara Falls is within walking distance of your hotel, surrounded by natural wonders around every corner. We have many more surprises in our tourism tackle box, too.

We have other attractions that are every bit as impressive – from whitewater jet boat rides into the Niagara gorge to boat tours through the historic Erie Canal. We also have outstanding eateries to please your palate. Immerse yourself with the reel Niagara Falls USA.

Enjoy our freshwater fishing opportunities, some of the best in the world. May is excellent for salmon, trout and bass! We have a professional group of charter captains who are very knowledgeable in our various angling options, willing to showcase our fish and fishing for this world-class stage. Destination Niagara USA is proud of our natural resources, as well as our people. Enjoy your time here and we hope you will be impressed enough to return, time and time again. We are only a cast away from your next angling adventure.

All the best,

John H. Percy
President and CEO
Destination Niagara USA

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39th Congress

Destination Niagara USA

The 39th CIPS Congress is being hosted by the United States Angling Confederation, in partnership with the Destination Niagara USA. We promise professional meeting spaces, astonishing view, and memorable fishing in this historic venue. The organizer will arrange the translation during the meeting into the French and English.

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Host Hotel Information / Airport

Destination Niagara USA

Doubletree by Hilton Niagara Falls

Doubletree by Hilton Niagara Falls
401 Buffalo Avenue, Niagara Falls, New York USA 14303
+1 877-593-2147

Located in downtown Niagara Falls, New York, on the Upper Niagara River, at the entrance to the Niagara Falls State Park. There's a wonderful walking/running path from the hotel all the way to the majestic waterfalls. And as an added bonus—you can even fish along the bank!

Details of accommodations:

Rooms: One bed (king size) or two beds (queen size) are available

Extra nights: \$125 per night for one or two people. Meals would be on own. Participants wanting additional nights pre/post conference will book and pay the hotel directly in advance.

All meetings, conferences, symposiums and opening ceremony of the CIPS Congress will take place at the Doubletree by Hilton Niagara Falls. Closing ceremony will be at the Top of the Falls restaurant in the Niagara Falls State Park.

Transport to/from the Buffalo Niagara International Airport (BUF):

Transportation will be complimentary for registrants and arranged by Over The Falls Tours. No transportation will be arranged complimentary if notified less than two weeks prior to arrival. Please see registration form for contact/booking information.

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Program

Destination Niagara USA

Thursday 10 May 2018

Arrival and accreditation of delegates

9:00-1:00pm CIPS Presidium meeting

2:00-4:30pm Symposiums

5:00pm Opening Ceremony of the 2018 CIPS Congress & welcome by President of Destination of Niagara USA

7:00pm Welcome dinner at hotel

Friday 11 May 2018

7:30am Breakfast

8:00am Accreditation of delegates

8:30am-12:30pm FIPS Ed Assembly

9:00am FIPS Mer & FIPS Mouche participants will have opportunity to fish on the Niagara River until lunch time. Bus departs hotel and participants will meet Congress at 4 Points by Sheraton for lunch

10-10:15am Coffee break

12:45pm Bus departs for lunch at 4 Points by Sheraton

1-2:00pm Lunch at 4 Points by Sheraton

2:00pm Bus departs for Doubletree Hotel with FIPS Mer and FIPS Mouche participants. FIPS Ed participants will fish on the Niagara River until 5:30pm and have the bus return them to Doubletree Hotel

2:30-5:00pm FIPS Mer Assembly

2:30-5:00pm FIPS Mouche Assembly

5-5:15pm Coffee break

5:15-7:00pm FIPS Mer and FIPS Mouche Assembly

7:30pm Dinner at hotel

Saturday 12 May 2018

6:30-7:30am Breakfast

7:30-8:00am Accreditation of Delegates

8-9:15am CIPS Assembly

9:15-9:30am Coffee break

9:30-12:30pm CIPS Assembly

1-2:00pm Lunch in hotel

2:30pm Depart for Maid of the Mist and Cave of the Winds adventure

6:30pm Gala dinner at Top of the Falls restaurant in The Niagara Falls State Park

Sunday 13 May 2018

6:30am-8:00am Breakfast

Departures

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Costs & Fees

Destination Niagara USA

Congress Attendee Fee

Price per CIPS Congress delegate: \$900 (one room/one person)

This includes three nights accommodations at the Doubletree by Hilton Niagara Falls, participation in all meetings of CIPS Congress according to the program, three breakfasts, two lunches, dinner Friday, opening and closing banquets/ceremonies, one day New York State fishing license, welcome bag, name tag and sightseeing activity Saturday afternoon.

Price per accompanying person (non-delegate): \$500 (one room/two people)

This includes three nights accommodations at the Doubletree by Hilton Niagara Falls, three breakfasts, two lunches, dinner Friday, opening and closing banquets/ceremonies and sightseeing activity Saturday afternoon.

Payments are accepted by Bank Wire and paid to Niagara Tourism & Convention Corporation

M&T Bank

Main Cedar Branch

Recipient Name:

Routing number:

Account number:

SWIFT code:

Chips Code:

750 Main Street, Niagara Falls, NY 14301

Niagara Tourism & Convention Corporation

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9857250279

MANTUS33 (for international transfers)

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Transfers can be received until 4:00 pm EDT (Eastern Daylight Time)

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Application

Destination Niagara USA

Application:

See the Application form in Annex of this invitation.

Applications should be sent to:

Sean Warner

swarner@usangling.org

+1 612-670-6238

Application deadline:

By March 25, 2018

The organizer must send names of the delegates from all federations to the CIPS Secretariat in Rome 30 days before the CIPS Congress.

Important notice:

Delegates requiring VISA for the United States shall not hesitate to contact the organizer for the invitation letter. We will need following information: name, home address and passport number.

Please contact us as soon as possible at the email:

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Excursions

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May 10, 2018 Lake Ontario Fishing Adventure

Sampler of spring salmon and trout fishing in Lake Ontario, one of the 5 Great Lakes. It's also one of the top freshwater fisheries in the country for Chinook salmon action. Fishing will take place out of the ports of Wilson and/or Olcott, NY aboard a licensed charter boat. All tackle, snacks and drinks will be provided for a 4-hour charter adventure chasing spring salmon and trout. 8 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$75 per person. One day fishing license will be included.

May 13, 2018 Lower Niagara River Fishing Adventure

Sampler of spring trout fishing in the lower Niagara River, a few miles below Niagara Falls. It's one of the top trout fisheries in the country. Fishing will take place out of Lewiston, NY aboard a licensed charter boat. All tackle, snacks and drinks will be provided for a 4-hour charter adventure chasing spring trout. 8 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$75 per person. One day fishing license will be included.

Additional trips can be arranged with area charter captains before May 10 and after May 13 if you so desire, but charter costs may increase. In addition to lower Niagara River trout and Lake Ontario salmon and trout, Lake Erie bass and/or walleye fishing are also an option. Contact Bill Hilts, Jr. at bhills@niagarafallsusa.com for further details.

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History

Destination Niagara USA

Niagara Falls USA - New York State's top natural wonder that we share with the rest of the world. This iconic attraction is a must-see attraction that is both spectacular and humbling. There is nothing quite like it. However, there's much more to Niagara Falls USA than the mighty Niagara. We are surrounded by water. With two Great Lakes (Ontario and Erie), the Niagara River (both above and below Niagara Falls) and the Erie Canal, water-related attractions abound. Take a jet boat ride into the inspiring gorge area or a leisurely cruise through the lock system on the Erie Canal - there's something for everyone.

Niagara Falls USA is also rich in history, the home to some of the oldest buildings in the country at Old Fort Niagara. A rapidly-growing Niagara Wine Trail extends across the county and beyond. The natural splendor of the area couldn't be more evident than through the plethora of birds that migrate through each spring and fall or call the area home throughout the year. There is also plenty of wildlife available and the nearby Iroquois National Wildlife Refuge and Tonawanda Wildlife Management Area offer a great vantage point to connect with nature.

We're offering something a little different for the CIPS Congress. Friday, all attendees will have an opportunity to fish in the upper Niagara River (above Niagara Falls) with some of our very talented and knowledgeable charter captains and bass pros. While the FIPSeD Assembly is commencing, FIPS mer and FIPS Mouche participants will be transported upriver from the docks at our lunch location to fish for the morning. Everyone will get together for lunch overlooking the upper river and then the FIPSeD participants will stay and fish in the afternoon while the FIPS Mer and FIPS Mouche Assemblies are going on. This is included in your registration fee. We have world-class fishing in Niagara Falls USA and we certainly want you to enjoy it!

You will get to truly experience Niagara Falls while here. You will be able to stand at the brink of the Falls and feel the mist on your face from a variety of vantage points. Saturday afternoon we hope to take you aboard the world famous Maid of the Mist for a boat ride like no other (if Mother Nature cooperates). Here you will cruise by the American and Bridal Veil Falls and head to the Horseshoe Falls where the water will baptize you to the area. It's a thrill of a lifetime. The Cave of the Winds experience will allow us to go down into the Niagara Gorge for a view of the Bridal Veil Falls you never thought possible. After we explore Niagara Falls State Park, we'll head to the Top of the Falls restaurant for drinks, dinner and an amazing view of the Horseshoe Falls. You will be able to see the nightly illumination of Niagara Falls while we're there, too.

We've made arrangements for guests/spouses for a shopping adventure at the Fashion Outlets of Niagara Falls USA. There are some special discounts available for all at select souvenir shops and restaurants as well.

Please check out our website for more ideas and information: www.niagarafallsusa.com

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Area Information

Destination Niagara USA - Venue



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Your one stop for non-stop adventure.

NIAGARA FALLS USA OFFICIAL VISITOR CENTER

Conveniently located just minutes from Niagara Falls State Park, the Niagara Falls USA Official Visitor Center can provide enough information to fuel an epic adventure. Our knowledgeable staff can help you figure out what to do, where to go and how to get there, in addition to an array of services.

HOURS OF OPERATION

- May 15 – September 15: 8:30 AM – 7:00 PM
- September 16 – May 14: 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

TAXI COMPANIES

A-1 Taxi
Niagara Falls & Surrounding Areas
Niagara Falls, NY 14303
(716) 282-1111
a-one-taxi.com

Aero Transportation
Niagara Falls & Surrounding Areas
Niagara Falls, NY 14304
(716) 283-8294
a-one-taxi.com

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(716) 633-8294
buffaloairporttaxi.com

Blue United Taxi
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Niagara Falls, NY 14303
(716) 285-8888
diamondstaxi.com

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Niagara Falls & Surrounding Areas
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(716) 284-8833

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Niagara Falls Bike Rentals
Old Falls & Prospect Street
Niagara Falls, NY 14303
(716) 345-5446
fallsstreet.com

Preview The Falls Bicycle Rental
6720 Buffalo Avenue
Niagara Falls, NY 14304
(716) 818-9589
previewthefalls.com

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Affordable Wheelchair Van Service
Medical Transportation
38 South Niagara Street
Lockport, NY 14094
(716) 433-2222

Buffalo Niagara Baby Rental
Niagara Falls & Surrounding Areas
(716) 525-8884
buffaloniagarababyrental.com

Honeymoon Capital Souvenirs
Wheelchair Rentals
16 Rainbow Boulevard
Niagara Falls, NY 14303
(716) 285-6117

HSS Home Medical Equipment & Supplies
6867 Williams Road
Vheatfield, NY 14304
(716) 283-4879 | (888) 638-4477
healthsys.net

Niagara Falls Bike Rentals
Wheelchair Rentals
Old Falls & Prospect Street
Niagara Falls, NY 14303
(716) 345-5446
fallsstreet.com

Niagara Falls State Park Visitor Center
Wheelchair Rentals
Niagara Falls State Park
Prospect Park
Niagara Falls, NY 14303
(716) 278-1796
niagarafallsstatepark.com

ATM & CURRENCY EXCHANGE

Envoy/EFX
Fashion Outlets of Niagara Falls, USA
1900 Military Road
Niagara Falls, NY 14304
(716) 297-4654
fashionoutletsniaagara.com

Seneca Niagara Resort & Casino
310 Fourth Street
Niagara Falls, NY 14303
(716) 299-1100 | (877) 873-6322
senecacasinos.com

OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Niagara County Sheriff
(non-emergency)
(716) 438-3393

Niagara Falls Police
(non-emergency)
(716) 286-4711

Poison Control Center
(800) 222-1222

U.S. Coast Guard
(search/rescue)
(716) 843-9527

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Registration deadline is 1 April 2018.

Delegate: Registration fee \$900.00 USD

Surname: _____ Name: _____

Nation (National Federation): _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ Country: _____

Telephone: _____ email: _____

Do you plan to fish on Friday YES NO

Have you ever had a New York State Fishing License? YES NO

If no, please answer:

Date of birth _____

Eye Color _____

Height _____

Male/Female

Will you be participating in fishing on Thursday, 10 May or Sunday, 13 May YES NO

Each day of fishing is \$75USD and includes fully equipped charter, transportation, fishing license, snacks and beverages. There are no refunds and limited availability.

Thursday, 10 May 8am-12pm

Sunday, 13 May 8am-12pm

Are your bringing a guest YES NO

Accompanying person: Registration fee \$500.00 USD

Surname: _____ Name: _____

Nation (National Federation): _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ Country: _____

Telephone: _____ email: _____

Is guest fishing on Friday? YES NO

Have you ever had a New York State Fishing License? YES NO

If no, please answer:

Date of birth _____

Eye Color _____

Height _____

Male/Female _____

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Sunday, 13 May 8am-12pm

Accommodation:

One Bed

Two Beds

Arrival Date: _____ Departure Date: _____

*Additional nights to be paid directly to hotel upon check in at \$125.00 USD. Credit card required to guarantee
CC info _____

Flight details:

*Complimentary transportation to/from the Buffalo Niagara International Airport (BUF) will be provided on Wednesday, 9 May & Thursday, 10 May and on Saturday 12 May & Sunday 13 May 2018

*Do you need to be picked up from the Buffalo International (BUF) airport? Yes No

*Do you need to be taken to the Buffalo International (BUF) airport? Yes No

***For airport transportation please contact Dawn Fudge at dawn@overthefallstours.com to reserve.**

Please mark which language you prefer your communication at the CIPS Congress: English French

Please mark if you are arriving by car Yes No

PAYMENT:

Credit card info:

For wire transfer info contact pfekete@niagarafallsusa.com

*Note for wire transfer: Registration not accepted until successful transfer has been received within 7 days

*Note screen after registration has closed. Contact rdarone@niagarafallsusa.com for late registration, credit card payments only accepted.

Thank you



USA Visa Support Form

Please send completed form to swarner@usangling.org

Personal Information

Full Name:	<hr/>		
	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>M.I.</i>
Address:	<hr/>		
	<i>Street Address</i>		<i>Apartment/Unit #</i>
	<hr/>		
	<i>City</i>	<i>Country</i>	<i>Postal Code</i>
Home Phone:	<hr/>	Mobile Phone:	<hr/>
Email	<hr/>		
Passport Number:	<hr/>		
Date of Issue:	<hr/>	Date of expiration:	<hr/>
Country of Issue:	<hr/>		
Schengen Visa # (EUR only)	<hr/>	Previous visits to USA/Canada (yes/no):	<hr/>

Purpose of Trip

Event	CIPS/FIPS Congress	Purpose:	International Sport Fishing Congress
Role:	Country Delegate	Host Organization:	United States Angling Confederation
Location:	Doubletree by Hilton Niagara Falls	City/State	Niagara Falls, New York, USA
Hotel Phone:	+1-716-524-3333	Host Phone:	+1 612 670 6238
Start Date:	06 May 2018	End Date:	20 May 2018

Emergency Contact Information

Full Name:	<hr/>		
	<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>M.I.</i>
Address:	<hr/>		
	<i>Street Address</i>		<i>Apartment/Unit #</i>
	<hr/>		
	<i>City</i>	<i>Country</i>	<i>Postal Code</i>
Primary Phone:	<hr/>	Alternate Phone:	<hr/>
Relationship:	<hr/>		