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- What is the ESD Panel ? -

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The overall aim of the ESDP is to encourage the best possible representation from all European member states (to include all nations that are approved for EU scientific funding). **Membership is at the nation level but with an identified representative.** At the earliest opportunity the national representative should be able to demonstrate recognition and support from a national scientific diving community or committee. Where possible, any national body or community should have, or be seeking, formal backing from a national authority that is one that has principal responsibility for occupational scientific diving ; it may be a governmental, funding or insurance agency that may qualify the divers and/or support their employment.

The ESDP database for the recognition of national licences for scientific diving in European countries is [here](#).

Current national representatives at the ESDP (May 2019)

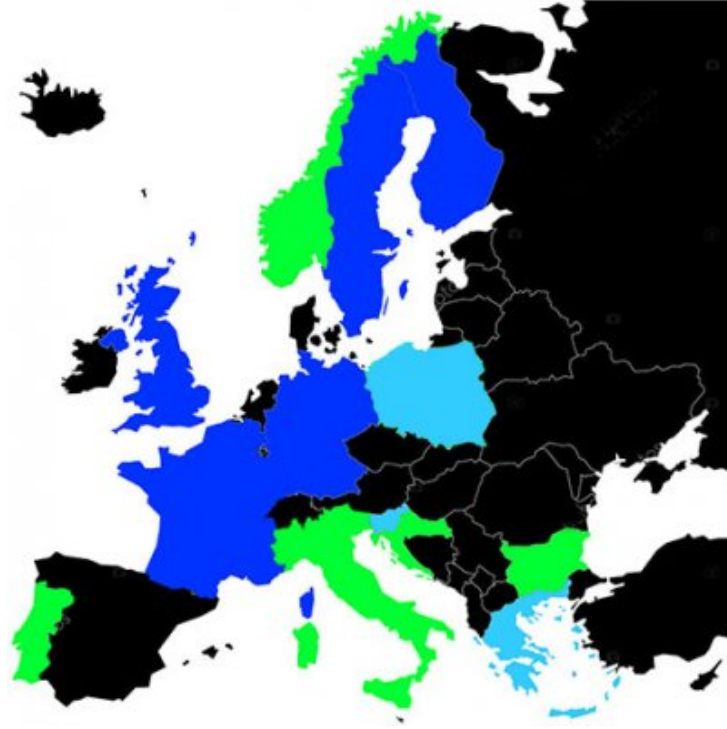
- **BE**- Dr. Alain Norro, Royal Belgium Institute of Natural Sciences, Bruxelles, Belgium working group on Scientific Diving (BWGSD).
- **BG**- Dr. Dimitar Berov, BG,
- **DE**- Prof. Dr. Philipp Fischer, AWI, Helgoland, Kommission Forschungstauchen Deutschland (KFT).
- **FI**- Dr. Jouni Leinikki, Alleco Oy., Tervalampi, Suomen tutkimussukelluksen ohjauskomitea (FSDSA).
- **FR**- Dr. Jean-Pierre Féral, CNRS, Station Marine d'Endoume, Marseille, Comité National de la Plongée Scientifique (CNPS) [*chairman 2008-2012 and 2016-to date*]
- **GR**- Dr Wanda Plaiti, Hellenic Centre for Marine Research, Heraklion
- **HR**- Dr. Donat Petricioli, D.I.I.V.Ltd., Sali, Coordination of Scientific Divers of Croatia (CSDC).
- **IT**- Dr Massimo Ponti, Università di Bologna, Italian Association of Scientific Divers (AIOSS)
- **NO**- Dr. Pernilla Marianne Carlsson, Norwegian Institute for Water Research, Tromsø, Norwegian Scientific Divers (NSD).
- **PL**- Dr. Piotr Balazy, Institute of Oceanology, Polish Academy of Sciences - Marine Ecology Department
- **PT**- Diogo Paulo, Centre of Marine Sciences - University of Algarve, Faro e Região, Portugal, Associação Portuguesa de Mergulho Científico (APorMC).
- **SL**- Dr Borut Mavri, National Institute of Biology, Marine Biology Station Piran
- **SE**- Dr. Maria Asplund, Göteborg University at Kristineberg, Swedish Scientific Diving Committee (SSDC).
- **UK**- Dr. Martin Sayer, SAMS/NERC, Oban, Scientific Diving Supervisory Committee (SDSC) [*chairman 2012-2016*]

ESDP membership :

Candidate member : Creating a NSDC ; on the way to implement ESD and AESD as minimum initial training standards [*Requirement : Updated list of members and involved institutions, quality control of the initial training*]

Member : Having in place a NSDC in contact with a national authority that has responsibility for vocational SD and having already implemented the ESD and AESD qualifications as the primary standards [*Supplementary requirement : Published statutes, minutes of meetings and/or newsletter, name of the national certification, authority issuing certification*]

Statutory member : SD and NSDC recognized by law, as well as ESD and AESD [*Supplementary requirement : Legal texts, official list of the agreed formation centres*]



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