



www.sdfs-cmas.com

The Original



SCUBA DIVERS FEDERATION

SEYCHELLES



Seychelles 12th September 2018

Ladies and Gentlemen
Dear Blues Sentinels
Dears Friends

In this first quarter of the beginning of the school year for some and in the last quarter of the year for others, I wanted to address you directly to assure you of my full support in your actions in that involve children and in your commitment to the protection of our oceans.

Created in 2016 and active member of CMAS, the National Seychelles Scuba Divers Federation (SDFS) over the past few months has perpetuated the key orientations that it had settled.

I am impatient to greet :

- The recreational committee and its audacious president, who has been able to develop the first Safety Rescue Courses in Seychelles since the early days, the implementation of all divers training standards, a rigorous training and certification platform, so to offer the Seychelles and other nationality divers the opportunity to obtain high-level and internationally recognized diving diplomas (beginners and professionals) in Seychelles and the related connection protocols
- The sports committee and its free diver president who confirms the first freediving courses in the Seychelles
- The Technical Committee which, despite the difficulties, successfully validated the first Rebreather courses in the Seychelles and in partnership with SMSA gave technical support in the installation of mooring buoys in Mahé and La Digue
- The legal committee, which provides the first insurance and civil liability that protects recreational divers of the Seychelles and through their dives abroad.
- The scientific committee that invests and encourages the coral nursery

And last but not least, our Environment & Blue Economy Committee, on which a major part of the federation's philosophy rests. Children's education and protection of our oceans through the Charter of the Responsible Diver and his Blue Sentinel action.

The sensitization of children in primary and secondary schools in the Seychelles

- ✓ His lectures in collaboration with the Dpt Blue Economy
- ✓ His investment during the Ocean Day on La Digue and the partnership with Ocean Project Seychelles

Le Niol PO Box 888 Victoria - Mahé, eychelles

Web Site : www.sdfs-cmas.com **E-mail :** contact@sdfs-cmas.com **Tel :** (+248) 2580826



www.sdfs-cmas.com

The Original



SCUBA DIVERS FEDERATION

SEYCHELLES



- ✓ His involvement with the schools of the Seychelles in accompanying children in a new educational and global approach of the ocean.

These minimal influences, allowing each individual, young and adult, to discover a new vocation for environmental and ocean conservation investments will be a majestic first step.

A promise for tomorrow.

- Free man, always you will love the sea! " Baudelaire teaches us-

The maritime area of the Seychelles is a resource for our archipelago. It must be protected and evaluated. The earth is blue. The ocean covers 70% of its surface and accounts for 96% of the volume of the biosphere. Our ocean is a huge reservoir of blue growth and innovation for health, food, industry and renewable energy

Excessive fishing, plastic pollution, acidification by CO₂, fish moving towards the poles... We must be able to assess the resources of the sea without damaging it, not reproducing the aggressions that the earth has undergone and which today we are trying to repair. This is why the ocean must be recognized as a common heritage of humanity.

Culture and sport speak a universal language and every action, voluntary, associative, private or public must be encouraged, welcomed, shared ... together!

Many projects are underway, new challenges are waiting for us and I am happy to consider them supported by such a great and beautiful Federation.

This weekend is the International Coastal Cleanup Day with CMAS and the "Blue Helmets of the Sea

Present on La Digue, Praslin and Mahé we will surely cross each other..

Sincerely Yours,
Manuela Alcaniz
The SDFS President



Le Niol PO Box 888 Victoria - Mahé, Seychelles

Web Site : www.sdfs-cmas.com **E-mail :** contact@sdfs-cmas.com **Tel :** (+248) 2580826