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World Surf League claims to have three goals :

- Bringing the athleticism, drama and adventure of pro surfing to fans worldwide
- Promoting professional surfers as world-class athletes
- Acting as good stewards of the environment both in and out of the water

International Professional Surfers (IPS), original world governing body in professional surfing spearheaded by Hawaiian surfers, develops the first international ranking system to create a global tour. In the mid-1990s, Association of Surfing Professionals (ASP and evolution of IPS) shifted to "Dream Tour" concept, encouraging event organizers to transition their venues from well-populated, metropolitan areas to remote locations with high-quality surf.

The Dream Tour birthed the company philosophy of "World's best surfers, world's best waves", which remains the organization's guiding principle to this day. 2015 saw the ASP officially becoming the World Surf League (WSL), overseeing the key product areas of the elite men's and women's World Championship Tours, the Qualifying Series (QS), the Big Wave Tour, the Big Wave Awards, the World Longboard Championships and the World Junior.

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