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1 RELATIONS WITH THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE & OLYMPIC MOVEMENT

1.1 Close co-operation

ASOIF has continued to work closely with the various International Olympic Committee (IOC) departments on behalf of its member. One-to-one contact between International Federations (IFs) and ASOIF staff continued to grow as the number of common issues and the specific nature of issues confronting IFs has significantly increased.

1.2 War in Ukraine

Following the Olympic Summit in December 2022, the IOC President held consultation calls with the IFs on 17th January 2023 and 27th March 2023 regarding the consequences of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. The IOC published Recommended Conditions for IFs and international sport event organisers on the participation of athletes with Russian and Belarusian passports on 28th March 2023.

Summary of Recommended Conditions:

- Athletes with a Russian or Belarusian passport must compete only as Individual Neutral Athletes;
- Teams of athletes with a Russian or Belarusian passport cannot be considered;

- Athletes who actively support the war cannot compete;
- Athletes who are contracted to the Russian or Belarusian military or national security agencies cannot compete;
- Any such Individual Neutral Athlete, like all the other participating athletes, must meet all applicable anti-doping requirements;
- Sanctions against those responsible for the war, the Russian and Belarusian states and governments, must remain in place.

As ASOIF noted in its press releases of 3rd March 2023 and 30th March 2023, the status of Russian and Belarusian athletes on the road to the Paris 2024 Olympic Games is a highly complex matter for the IFs in terms of their specificity and the particular qualification process. The Council also emphasised the necessity to prevent public authorities' influence in sport matters. The ASOIF Council felt that different solutions may be required for different sports and this has proved to be the case in the weeks following the publication of the Recommended Conditions.

There is clearly a wide spectrum of opinion amongst the IFs with some fully implementing the Recommended Conditions while other IFs have chosen to maintain the ban for the time being, taking the view that neutrality cannot be defined and evaluated in a sufficiently satisfactory way.

ASOIF is ready to support and assist the concerned IFs in their continuing discussions with the IOC given the complexity of the implementation and the serious implications on the qualification system for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

1.3 Olympic Esports Series

The Olympic Esports Series 2023 commenced on 1st March 2023 with players from around the world participating in qualification rounds across the nine featured games including archery, cycling, dance sport, sailing, taekwondo and tennis. The Series will culminate in live, in-person finals during the inaugural Olympic Esports Week which will take place from 22nd – 25th June 2023 in Singapore.

The four-day festival will showcase the best of virtual sports, exhibit the latest technologies and innovations in the field of simulated sports. Other activities during the week include panel discussions with industry stakeholders, forums and exhibition matches.

1.4 IOC Sports Calendar Working Group

The IOC called a meeting of its Sports Calendar Working Group on 1st February 2023 to review progress towards an agreed set of principles and a Memorandum of Understanding covering the organisation of continental/regional multi-sport events organised by National Olympic Committees (NOCs). The meeting was led by the IOC Sports Director and attended by the Association of National Olympic Committee (ANOC) General Secretary and ASOIF Executive Director.

Minutes from the ASOIF General Assembly of 1986 show that this has been an unresolved issue for almost 40 years now. Although some recent progress has been made, ANOC seems unable to reach an agreement between its continental bodies on the one hand, and with ASOIF on the other.

Unresolved issues include the desire of the NOC continental bodies to ensure that their continental-based Games are included in all IF Olympic Games qualifying systems. There is

also resistance to IF demands that they receive adequate financial compensation, where appropriate, from commercially viable NOC multi-sport events.

Recent progress seems to be hindered by strains within sports bodies surrounding the impact of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. The fact that any change to Olympic qualification would be too late for application to the Paris 2024 Olympic Games as continental multi-sport events have already begun to take place.

Further work will, following a proposal from the IOC, be delayed until after the Paris 2024 Olympic Games when it is hoped there may be a more conducive environment for progress.

1.5 Safeguarding

The IOC announced during a conference at the end of March 2023 that it will create a fund of USD 10 million per Olympic cycle to strengthen the prevention of and response to harassment and abuse in sport at the local level.

A working group, under the leadership of HRH Prince Feisal Al Hussein, will be created to consider the best approach to establishing independent safeguarding systems and structures at the national level. This will ensure that resources are directed to where they are most needed to support athletes and build safeguarding capacity in sport organisations.

As the ASOIF President noted during the conference, the topic is of great importance, but one that is different than many others faced by IFs such as competition manipulation and anti-doping and it needs a different approach. IFs and other Olympic Movement stakeholders have a fundamental role to play, however, these issues must be addressed locally. ASOIF welcomes the leadership and coordination of the IOC since this is an area where we must continue to work together.

1.6 Gender Identity and Sex Variations

The IOC published its *Framework on Fairness, Inclusion and Non-Discrimination on the Basis of Gender Identity and Sex Variations* in November 2021. The Framework states that there should be “no presumption of performance advantage” for transgender and differences in sex development athletes and represented a move away from the IOC's 2015 consensus statement, which had a “one-size-fits-all” approach to the participation of transgender athletes, based on testosterone levels.

The Framework aroused criticism from certain quarters, with some leading medical experts claiming that it focused on inclusion which could lead to unfair competition in female sport.

A further Framework Position Statement was published in the British Journal of Sports Medicine in December 2022 with guidance on how to interpret the principles of the IOC Framework. The IOC is organising a series of virtual and in-person workshops in Spring 2023 to address key aspects of Framework implementation.

A number of IFs including World Aquatics, World Athletics and World Rugby have, over the past year, updated their policies regarding transgender athletes.

It is clear that this sensitive and polarising topic will continue to present challenges for IFs.

1.7 Legal opinions issued in relation to Sports Competitions

In December 2022, the Advocate General of the Court of Justice of the European Union (ECJ) issued two opinions that could have a significant impact on future cases related to sports competitions.

In the International Skating Union and European Super League cases, the Advocate General opined that sport federations can act simultaneously as regulators and organisers of sporting events without necessarily breaching competition law. The Advocate General made clear his view that sport federations can deny market access to rival competitions in certain circumstances and impose sanctions on members in the pursuit of legitimate objectives, provided that the measures adopted by those federations are proportionate.

While the Advocate General's opinions are not binding on the ECJ, they are followed in the majority of cases. The ECJ is expected to issue its judgments in both cases imminently.

Should the ECJ follow the Advocate General's opinions in both instances, sport federations' positions as regulators and organisers of sporting events will be vindicated. The impact on future cases related to sports competitions will be significant.

1.8 Insurance

The Summer Olympic IFs received a letter on 27th September 2022 from the IOC Sports Director and Chief Financial Officer informing them that the IOC will no longer be in a position to offer discretionary cancellation and abandonment insurance for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

1.9 IOC Session

The 140th IOC Session will be held in Mumbai, India from 15th – 17th October 2023.

The IOC will make a presentation to the General Assembly under item 12 of the agenda.

2 FUTURE SUMMER OLYMPIC GAMES

2.1 Paris 2024 Olympic Games

With less than 450 days to go before the Opening Ceremony, the main recent developments of Paris 2024 Olympic Games include:

- The Paris 2024 Organising Committee (OCOG) held an information webinar on hospitality for IFs in January 2023. Their hospitality team will launch the second round of one-to-one IF consultation in Q2 2023;
- The first phase of ticket sales, launched in late 2022, saw 3.5 million sales, with two-thirds from domestic customers;
- An application portal for Paris 2024 volunteers opened in March 2023 with organisers hoping to recruit 45,000 people. The volunteers are due to be stationed throughout the host nation at all of the official Paris 2024 venues.

The next Paris 2024 Coordination Commission (CoCom) in-person meeting is scheduled to take place from 5th – 7th June 2023.

Paris 2024 will deliver a report to the General Assembly under item 12 of the agenda.

2.2 Dakar 2026 Youth Olympic Games

The IOC Executive Board confirmed the dates (31st October – 13th November 2026) for the Dakar 2026 Youth Olympic Games (YOG) in December 2022. There will be an IOC-IF consultation in July/August 2023 to review the disciplines, events and athlete quota for Dakar 2026. The review will then be finalised by the IOC Executive Board at its meeting in Q4 2023 / Q1 2024.

A wider review process on the general positioning and approach of the YOG is being conducted as part of the IOC Games Optimisation Group's work ahead of the IOC Session in October 2023.

All Dakar 2026 CoCom meetings are held virtually with the next one scheduled to take place from 20th – 21st September 2023.

The Dakar 2026 Organising Committee will deliver a report to the General Assembly under item 12 of the agenda.

2.3 Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games

The Initial Sports Programme for the Los Angeles 2028 (LA28) Olympic Games has been approved by the IOC Session in 2022, and is composed of 28 sports including skateboarding, sport climbing and surfing. The inclusion of boxing, weightlifting and modern pentathlon is under review by the IOC.

The IOC provided the IFs with an updated timeline for the finalisation of the discipline programme for the LA28 on 21st March 2023.

The next LA28 Coordination Commission meeting will take place at the end of August 2023.

The LA28 Organising Committee has provided a written report to the General Assembly under item 12 of the agenda.

2.4 Brisbane 2032 Olympic Games

The Brisbane 2032 Coordination Office was formally established in March 2023 to supervise the delivery of the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The office was created after studying arrangements for the Sydney 2000 and London 2012 Games and will be led by Graham Fraine, director of the regional development, manufacturing and water department in the Queensland government. It was felt that the Coordination Office was the most suitable model for Brisbane because 84 per cent of the venues already exist and assets are to remain in public ownership.

3 ASSOCIATION SUMMER OLYMPIC INTERNATIONAL FEDERATIONS

3.1 Statute Amendments

Proposed statute amendments relating principally to the eligibility criteria for the nomination of the ASOIF President are covered under item 8 of the agenda.

3.2 Audit & Finances

PricewaterhouseCoopers conducted the 2022 audit at the end of January 2023. The final report is submitted to the General Assembly for approval under item 6 of the agenda.

3.3 40th Anniversary

ASOIF was founded in Lausanne on 30th May 1983 by the 21 IFs on the programme of the 1984 Summer Olympic Games.

We are finalising the production of an illustrated “coffee table” publication to commemorate the 40th anniversary of ASOIF. The publication will chart the history of ASOIF and the member IFs and will be distributed at the 40th anniversary dinner at the Beau Rivage Palace in Lausanne, on Tuesday 30th May 2023, exactly forty years after the association’s establishment.

3.4 Internal Policies

As part of the efforts to continuously enhance ASOIF’s governance and transparency, the ASOIF Council approved a new set of internal financial rules and an expenses policy in November 2022.

3.5 Staff & Administration

A periodic review of the staff handbook was conducted with input from a Lausanne based law firm specialising in employment. The objective was to ensure that the handbook is consistent with Swiss employment legislation and modern working practices.

ASOIF’s staff numbers remain at six Full Time Equivalent (FTE) in 2023.

4 GOVERNANCE TASK FORCE

ASOIF’s Fourth Review of IF Governance was published shortly after the 46th ASOIF General Assembly in June 2022. Key findings from the study include:

- The target of 27 Full Members reaching an overall score of 130 and a target score of 120 for the six Associate Members has virtually been met. Only one of the six Associate Members, which participated in the assessment study for the first time, fell short of the target score of 120.
- Nearly all of the IFs showed improvements since the most recent assessment in 2019-20. Nine of 31 IFs increased their score by at least 20 points.
- There were improvements in financial transparency with 32 IFs publishing audited accounts.

- The study showed a correlation between higher scores in the assessment and IFs with greater resources. But there were also exceptions, and results suggested it was possible to achieve high standards with limited resources.
- IF Executive Boards still mainly consisted of males but there was evidence of some progress towards gender balance.
- A trend towards the introduction of term limits continued, with 27 of 33 IFs having limits in place for elected officials.
- Evidence of IF sustainability activity and implementation of safeguarding programmes grew.

The Governance Task Force (GTF) last met on 16th March 2023 to discuss parameters for potential revision of the methodology for the next assessment. It is recognised that after four iterations over six years, more substantial modifications are needed before the next edition.

A governance workshop for IFs took place at the Alpha Palmiers Hotel in Lausanne on Thursday 27th April 2023. The workshop was attended by more than 50 delegates from 32 Summer and Winter Olympic IFs with topics covered including i) supporting and monitoring the governance of National and Continental Federations, ii) managing IF elections; and iii) financial controls.

Further details around the fifth governance assessment planned for late 2023 / early 2023 is provided under item 11 of the agenda.

5 CONSULTATIVE & ADVISORY GROUPS

5.1 Medical & Science Consultative Group (AMSCG)

Chair: Margo Mountjoy (International Golf Federation)

The AMSCG last met on 7th November 2022 to provide feedback on the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Executive Committee and Foundation Board meeting papers, both to inform the Olympic Movement's position and to brief our representatives at WADA.

Other major workstreams include:

- Medical Workshop 2022

Fifty participants from 23 Summer IFs, 4 Winter IFs, IOC and invited speakers contributed to a successful ASOIF Medical Workshop in Lausanne on 28th and 29th November 2022. A post workshop report was distributed to all IFs providing summaries and key takeaways on the following topics: mental health, guidelines for health care at IF events, COVID-19, Podium Analytics, a field of play injured athlete removal video project and transgender.

- Anti-Doping Survey 2023

ASOIF has decided to conduct a further anti-doping survey to measure the IFs' level of anti-doping expenditure and efficiency of processes. The 2010 and 2016 reports clearly demonstrated the significant efforts and investment that the IFs collectively made in the fight against doping as this was not well understood or appreciated at the time.

The anti-doping landscape has changed dramatically since 2016. With this in mind, we will adopt a fresh approach for the 2023 report and have been working closely with WADA and the International Testing Agency (ITA) to leverage existing data. This collaboration will simplify the IFs' involvement and avoid duplication of efforts.

ASOIF has commissioned consultancy, Altman Solon (led by David Dellea) to assist with this project. Progress is going well and we are very grateful for the co-operation from the IFs, WADA and ITA. The report will be published in Q3 2023.

- Harassment and Abuse Pilot Project

Five IFs (International Golf Federation, International Tennis Federation, World Aquatics, World Rowing and World Rugby) have agreed to participate in a pilot study on the incidence of harassment and abuse in elite sport. The objective of the study is to assess the magnitude, characteristics and circumstances of harassment and abuse towards elite athletes at the IF level. Professor Tine Vertommen of Thomas More University in Belgium will be leading the team, which is aligned with, and complementary to, the focus of the IOC Safe Sport Action Plan.

- Field of Play Athlete Removal

The AMSCG has set up a working group to develop the field of play injured athlete removal video project in conjunction with the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

5.2 Legal Consultative Group (ALCG)

Chair: Antonio Arimany (World Triathlon)

The ALCG last met on 9th November 2022 to follow up with the ongoing discussions of IF's concerns related to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS). The group sent a letter to CAS Director General Matthieu Reeb after the meeting in response to his previous correspondence in order to reiterate the ALCG's position on the efficiency of CAS's proceedings, costs of the proceedings and the consistency of decisions. The ALCG also deliberated on the matters concerning the IFs' legal activities, including transgender policies and safeguarding issues.

5.3 Olympic & Multi-Sports Games Consultative Group (AOMSG)

Chair: Kelly Fairweather (International Tennis Federation)

The AOMSG held its last meeting on 21st April 2023, which had also been attended by the representatives from the IOC Games Department, Sports Department and the Paris 2024 OCOG.

The group discussed the optimisation for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games, including hospitality, transportation and sport presentation. The group received an update from Paris 2024 OCOG on the latest Games preparations and its IF engagement. The AOMSG also heard an update from the IOC regarding the LA28 disciplines review and sports programme.

5.4 Commercial Advisory Group (CAG)

Chair: Antony Scanlon (International Golf Federation)

The CAG spent the early months of 2023 preparing the programme for the third edition of the ASOIF Commercial Workshop. The event took place on 25th April 2023 at the Movenpick Hotel, Lausanne with 30 delegates from 18 IFs. The workshop agenda included the following topics: i) IF engagement with the IOC Virtual Series, ii) Web 3.0, iii) Insurance for IF events and iv) Sport market trends.

The CAG will reconvene in Q3 2023 to discuss the project scope of Paris 2024 Olympic Games data collection and other commercial matters.

5.5 Technology and Innovation Consultative Group (TICG)

Chair: Nicolas Chapart (Fédération Internationale de Basketball)

Following the TICG's decision to invite ThinkSport to deliver a follow-up innovation project, the group coordinator has approached a number of targeted IFs to discuss potential engagements. At the time of writing, the International Canoe Federation (ICF) and World Rowing have agreed to be part of the pilot project.

The 4th edition of THE SPOT, an annual sport technology and innovation forum organised by ThinkSport, will take place at the SwissTech Convention Center in Lausanne on 9th May 2023.

5.6 Sports Development & Education Group (ASDEG)

Chair: Deqa Niamkey (United World Wrestling)

The ASDEG met virtually on 21st February 2023 to finalise the agenda for the annual ASDEG Workshop due to take place on 16th and 17th May 2023. Having reviewed the priorities established during the last workshop, the ASDEG had agreed to focus on the following key topics:

- How has digitalisation driven development and improved decision making;
- Centralising information and how to engage NFs to use the technology;
- Sport initiations at events ;
- How to measure the return on investment/success of development programmes; and
- Looking at new ways of driving revenues.

The speakers are a mixture of experts from outside of the sports industry, Olympic Solidarity and specific IF case studies.

5.7 Diversity and Gender Equality Consultative Group (ADGEG)

Chair: Sabrina Ibáñez (Fédération Equestre Internationale)

The ADGEG met on 27th January 2023 and discussed preparation for the online leadership courses for women in sport, scheduled to take place from March to May 2023. The courses will, as in the previous year, be conducted by leadership coach Gabriela Mueller via a series of Zoom conferences. There were 44 places available on the courses with ASOIF covering the participation fee for one delegate per IF.

The group also received an update on the most recent developments of the Women in Sport High Performance (WISH) programme, funded by the Olympic Solidarity. The female coaches that completed the programme in 2022 were from 10 IFs, comparing to only 6 for the pilot programme. It was noted that 15 ASOIF members in total have benefited from the WISH programme since its launch in 2019.

5.8 Sustainability Consultative Group (ASCG)

Chair: David Graham (World Sailing)

The ASOIF Council agreed in November 2022 to create a specific consultative group focusing on sustainability matters with World Sailing CEO David Graham as the Chair. The ASCG met for the first time on 1st March 2023 and discussed the group's objectives and scope of work and agreed on the following action items:

- ASCG to set up a working group, in collaboration with the IOC's Head of Sustainability Julie Duffus, to provide input and help develop the IOC's ongoing sustainability tracking tool. This tool would help ASOIF understand the current gaps within the Olympic Movement, assist the IFs in monitoring their own progression as well as developing their current sustainability strategies.
- ASCG to create an online platform for the group to share documents, toolkits, scientific research linked to sustainability amongst the IFs.
- ASCG to liaise with the 2023 United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP28) in Dubai, United Arab Emirates to provide input on behalf of the IFs.

5.9 Parasport Consultative Group / Association of Paralympic Sport Organisations (APSO)

President: Sabrina Ibáñez (Fédération Equestre Internationale)

The ASOIF Council decided in November 2022 to dissolve the Parasport Consultative Group because the Association of Paralympic Sport Organisations (APSO) is now firmly established and effectively coordinates para-related activities with the IFs and the International Paralympic Committee. It was felt that the original purpose of the Parasport Consultative Group, first set up in 2016, had therefore been achieved.

APSO's work is coordinated by ASOIF staff for the benefit of ASOIF members whose paralympic disciplines are represented in the programme of the next Paralympic Games.

The most recent APSO General Assembly took place on 17th November 2022 in Berlin, within the framework of the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Extraordinary General Assembly and the membership gathering. Three new members joined the APSO: Fédération Internationale de Ski et Snowboard (FIS) and International Biathlon Union (IBU) as full members with World Sailing as an affiliate member without voting rights.

In accordance with good governance principles, an external independent auditor was appointed, and the audited accounts have been approved, which are now publicly available on the APSO website. One of the key discussion items was the IPC Classification Code Review. The IFs once again reiterated that the Classification Code should not be mandatory for IFs but rather to serve as a guideline and a best practice example.

5.10 Urban and Mass Participation Working Group

Chair: Morinari Watanabe (Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique)

The ASOIF Council decided to establish a group to focus on the topical growth of urban and mass participation sports with the objective to i) define and evaluate the potential of urban and mass participation sport; and ii) identify and better understand opportunities for IFs in these areas.

The group met for the first time in January 2023 and reviewed basic facts and figures of urban sport and mass participation sports respectively. Members also shared their experience and learnings from related projects in their federations. With better understanding of IFs' issues and goals, the group will continue to explore potential project initiatives in future meetings.

The group will reconvene in late Q2 2023.

6 GLOBAL ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONAL SPORT FEDERATIONS

GAISF members voted for the dissolution of the organisation during two Extraordinary General Assemblies in November 2022. The dissolution of GAISF was recommended by the GAISF Council and members approved the dissolution by 70 votes in favour and 22 votes against, exceeding the two-thirds majority required.

Ernst & Young were appointed as the liquidator. Contracts and related assets and liabilities pertaining to other projects performed by GAISF, including the web domain “dot sport” initiative, “sustainability.sport” portal, Sustainability Award, good governance, GDPR, IPACS and EPAS; are to be transferred to SportAccord. After satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, the liquidator will proceed to distribute the assets as follows:

- ASOIF: 42%
- AIOWF: 18%
- ARISF: 30%
- AIMS: 10%

Work is underway to substantially revise the SportAccord Convention statutes.

The 2023 IF Forum has been provisionally scheduled for Monday 13th – Wednesday 15th November in Lausanne.

7 ANTI-DOPING

7.1 World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)

The WADA Foundation Board unanimously re-elected President Witold Bańka and Vice-President Yang Yang for a second three-year term at its last meeting in Montreal in November 2022.

WADA is monitoring the progress being made by the Russian Anti-Doping Agency (RUSADA) as it seeks to satisfy the conditions of reinstatement as laid out in the CAS decision in December 2020.

Following the approval of governance reforms adopted by the Foundation Board in May 2022, WADA’s objective is to complete the implementation of the majority of the governance reforms by mid-2023. One of the main changes is a clearer separation of powers between the Executive Committee (ExCo) and the Foundation Board and there can be no overlap in membership between the bodies.

The ASOIF representatives at WADA for 2022 are as follows:

Executive Committee	Ingmar De Vos	FEI President, IOC Member
Foundation Board	David Lappartient	UCI President, IOC Member
	Jean-Christophe Rolland	World Rowing President, IOC Member
	Petra Sörling	ITTF President

WADA confirmed the appointment of Ms Snežana Samardžić-Marković to lead an initial human rights impact assessment which will evaluate the intersection between the World Anti-Doping programme and human rights. Ms Samardžić-Marković will lead internal and external consultations with WADA staff and external stakeholders, with a provisional conclusion date of mid-2024.

The annual WADA Symposium was held in Lausanne on 14th and 15th March 2023 and it is intended that in future the ExCo meeting will be held around these dates.

WADA will deliver a report to the General Assembly under item 12 of the agenda.

7.2 International Testing Agency (ITA)

The ITA has, following an extensive consultation process, published a strategic plan to guide the agency through its second Olympic cycle. The ITA Strategic Plan 2023 – 2026 defines six core objectives:

- Contribute to increased credibility in the fight against doping;
- Deliver excellence;
- Leverage the power of co-operation;
- Grow a team of experts;
- Scale and enhance efficiencies; and
- Be financially sustainable.

The ITA will deliver a report to the General Assembly under item 12 of the agenda.

8 INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT

In November 2022, the ASOIF Council approved the nomination of ASOIF representatives on the International Council of Arbitration for Sport (ICAS) for the 2023 – 2026 term.

In acknowledgement that football related disputes make up a large amount of the CAS casework and that FIFA is increasing its financial contribution, it was agreed that three football representatives will be appointed within ASOIF's increased allocation of five representatives under Article S4(a) of the Code of Sports Related Arbitration.

The ASOIF representatives on ICAS for the 2023 – 2026 term are as follows

Antonio Hernandez Arimany	Director General, World Triathlon
Mikael Rentsch	Legal Director, FEI
Emilio Garcia Silvero	Legal Director, FIFA
Darius Mioduski	FIFA (Representing football clubs)
Kevin Plumb	FIFA (Representing football leagues)

9 CREATIVE SPORTS AWARD

ASOIF has been cooperating with the Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum Creative Sports Award since 2013. It aims to encourage Summer Olympic IFs to promote initiatives, projects or programmes that demonstrate outstanding creativity and contribute to the enrichment of sport. Previous winners include FIFA, FIH, IJF, IHF, UWW, UCI and BWF.

The 12th edition of the Award has recently launched with the theme “*Sports as a universal language and a soft power capable of shaping the future*”. Each ASOIF member can submit one entry for the award before the 31st August 2023 submission deadline. The winner will be announced on 23rd November 2023 and will receive a financial reward of AED 1,000,000 (approximately USD 272,000).

Further details will be circulated to the IFs following the ASOIF General Assembly.

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