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To: Affiliated Federations
Council and Commission Members
Organisers of World Rowing events
National Rowing Magazines
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Circular No. 5 of 2018

Ladies and Gentlemen,

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1. 2018 FISA Ordinary Congress Outcomes

- a) Elections for the following positions on the Council were held and the following individuals were elected for four-year terms:
 - i. Chair of the Competitive Rowing Commission
Rosie Mayglothling (GBR) re-elected
 - ii. Chair of the Events Commission
Eva Szanto (HUN) elected
 - iii. Chair of the Event Promotion Commission
Pat Lambert (BEL) re-elected
 - iv. Chair of the Masters Rowing Commission
Ron Chen (USA) elected
 - v. Chair of the Para Rowing Commission
Fay Ho (HKG) re-elected
 - vi. Chair of the Umpiring Commission
Patrick Rombaut (BEL) re-elected



Gerritjan Eggenkamp (NED) was elected to complete the term of Mike Williams as FISA Treasurer as Mike decided to end his mandate at the end of 2018 and step down after 25 years in this position.

Rosie Mayglothling (GBR) was elected to complete the Executive Committee term of Mike Tanner who has reached the FISA age limit and has to give up his seat at the end of 2018.

b. The Congress approved the addition of two new members to FISA:

Kiribati
Lesotho

The number of FISA member national federations is now 155.

c. Place and Date of the 2019 FISA Ordinary Congress

Linz/Ottensheim, AUT on Monday, 2 September 2019

d. Place and Dates of the 2020 FISA Ordinary and Extraordinary Congresses*

London, GBR from 14 to 17 October 2020

*Please note that no ordinary congress will be held in Bled in 2020 and the usual 2021 Extraordinary Congress is now moved forward to this October 2020 date.

2. Council Decisions announced at the Congress

The FISA Council has announced the following decisions:

a. Continental Representatives

Re-appointment of the following individuals for the period 2019 to 2020:

Africa – Khaled Zain El Din (EGY)
Asia – Liu Aijie (CHN)
Europe – Ryszard Stadniuk (POL)
Oceania – Lee Spear (NZL)

The current Continental Representative for the Americas Jose Quinones (PER) has not sought a new mandate so a process will be launched in the Americas seeking suggestions for the appropriate person to fill this role as described in Appendix 5 on page 127 of the FISA Rule Book.

As well, the current Continental Representative for Africa Khaled Zain El Din (EGY) will participate in a process to identify his successor so a process will be launched in Africa seeking suggestions as mentioned above.

b. Co-opted Members of the Council

Re-appointment of Masakuni Hosobuchi (JPN) for the period 2019 to 2020.

c. Continental Olympic and Paralympic Qualification Regattas for Tokyo 2020

Africa – Tunis, TUN from 3 to 6 October 2019
Asia and Oceania – Chungju, KOR in April 2020
Americas – Rio de Janeiro, BRA from 2 to 5 April 2020

These join the following regattas that have already been attributed:

Europe – Varese, ITA from 27 to 29 April 2020
Final Paralympic Qualification regatta – Gavirate, ITA from 8 to 10 May 2020
Final Olympic Qualification regatta – Lucerne, SUI from 17 to 20 May 2020

And the main Olympic and Paralympic qualification will take place at the 2019 World Rowing Championships to be held in Linz/Ottensheim, AUT from 25 August to 1 September 2019.

d. 2019 World Rowing Indoor Championships

Long Beach, CA, USA will host the 2019 Championships on 24 February 2019.

e. 2017 Annual Report

The Council presented a new document which presents the “business” of FISA in an annual report format with charts and photos. This is the first attempt at this report so any ideas and suggestions for improvements are welcome. If additional hard copies are desired, please contact FISA at info@fisa.org This report can be found in electronic format at this link:

http://www.worldrowing.com/mm/Document/General/General/13/36/58/2017AnnualreportF170918_Neutral.pdf

f. 2019 Commission appointments

The Chairs of the below mentioned commissions are reviewing the nominations received from member federations and the Council will be making appointments in mid-October.

- Competitive Rowing Commission
- Events Commission
- Masters Rowing Commission
- Para Rowing Commission
- Umpiring Commission

3. 2018 National Federations Conference 1

The first National Federations Conference of 2018 took place on 17 September 2018 immediately following the FISA Congress. It was devoted to FISA's Strategic Plan, FISA's Olympic Strategy as well as continuing discussions related to Lightweight Rowing and Para Rowing.

A copy of the Powerpoint presentation for this NF Conference are available at this link:

<http://www.worldrowing.com/fisa/about-fisa/conference>

4. Comments on 2018 World Rowing events

The FISA Council would like to express its congratulations and thanks to the organisers of the main events of 2018.

The season started with the first World Rowing Cup that took place in Belgrade, Serbia. Thanks go to the organising committee led by Nebojsa Jevremovic and Nikola Stojic and their team from the Serbian Rowing Federation, which delivered an excellent event to start the season. The Linz-Ottensheim organising committee led by Horst Anselm provided teams not only with a well-organised World Rowing Cup II, but also with a valuable opportunity to familiarise themselves with the 2019 World Rowing Championships venue. World Rowing Cup III was a success as well in Lucerne thanks to OC President Andreas Bucher and the Lucerne OC team.

The organising committee of the World Rowing Under 23 Championships in Poznan led by OC President Aleksander Daniel provided excellent conditions for teams, as did the organising team of Dusan Machecek and Pavel Sebesta the World Rowing Junior Championships in Racice. .

The 2018 World Rowing Masters Regatta will take place from Thursday to Sunday this week in Sarasota/Bradenton, USA at the Nathan Benderson Park regatta venue. Good luck to all. The 2018 World Rowing Coastal Championships will take place in Victoria, CAN from 11 to 14 October 2018 so we look forward to that. And the regatta of the Youth Olympic Games will take place in Buenos Aires, ARG from 7 to 11 October 2018.

The highlight of the year was certainly the 2018 World Rowing Championships in Plovdiv, BUL. Congratulations and sincere thanks to the organising committee under the leadership of Ivan Popov and the Mayor of Plovdiv Ivan Totev.

5. Joint Conferences in Berlin, GER, November 2018

We are pleased to announce that a programme of meetings and conferences touching nearly all key stakeholders in the sport will take place this November in Berlin:

21 to 23 Nov - Sports Science, Medicine and Coaches Conference
22 Nov – European Rowing Extraordinary General Assembly
23 Nov – National Federations' Conference 2 of 2018
23 Nov – 2019 World Rowing Events' Organising Committee meetings
23 Nov – World Rowing Awards Dinner
24 to 25 Nov – FISA Joint Commissions' Meeting

The Sports Science, Medicine and Coaches Conference website provides details at: <https://www.rudern.de/wcc2018> More information on the other events will follow but please mark your calendars.

The 2018 NF Conference 2 will address a number of event and governance related topics. A ticket to attend the World Rowing Awards dinner is included in the NF conference registration. For more detailed information, including logistics and registration, please see the attached document on this link: http://www.worldrowing.com/mm//Document/General/General/13/30/17/NFConference_23NOV2018_NFCommunication_Neutral.pdf

And registration at this link:
<https://worldrowingforms.wufoo.com/forms/m13hmcm21hoaxmi/>

The deadline for the registration is **5 October 2018**.

6. 2018 World Rowing Youth Coaches Conference

The 2018 World Rowing Youth Coaches Conference will take place from 1-4 November at the Olympic Complex "Sydney 2000" in Snagov, Romania. More information can be found at this link: <https://registration.frcanotaj.ro/>

7. Nominations for 2019 World Rowing and European Event Juries

National Federations are now invited to nominate umpires to serve on the juries for the 2019 World and European Rowing events.

National Federations should ensure that any umpire nominated is definitely able to attend the event concerned. FISA provides a small travel subsidy for all of the above-mentioned events with the exception of local Jury members at World Cup regattas.

The deadline for nominations with complete contact information for the nominated umpire (including email address) to be received is **21 December 2018**.

Please use the Jury Nomination form at this link:
<http://www.worldrowing.com/fisa/publications/umpiring>

The 2019 events and dates are found on the Jury Nomination form.

Note that for the European Rowing Championships, European Rowing U23 Championships and European Rowing Junior Championships, only FISA Umpires from European countries should apply. Similarly, for the African Olympic and Paralympic Qualification Regatta, only FISA umpires from African countries will be considered.

8. 2019 International Regatta Calendar and 2020 Provisional International Regatta Calendar forms

Applications for the inclusion of regattas in the above-mentioned calendars must be received at FISA headquarters **by 31 October 2018**. Application forms are now on-line and can be completed using these links:

<https://worldrowingforms.wufoo.com/forms/2019-fisa-international-regatta-calendar/>

<https://worldrowingforms.wufoo.com/forms/2020-fisa-int-regatta-calendar-provisional/>

Yours sincerely,



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ANNEX to Circular No. 5 of 2018

The 2019 World Rowing Event Calendar

24 Feb	World Rowing Indoor Championships – Long Beach, USA
10-12 May	World Rowing Cup I – Plovdiv, BUL
21-23 June	World Rowing Cup II – Poznan, POL*
12-14 July	World Rowing Cup III – Rotterdam, NED *
24-28 July	World Rowing Under 23 Championships – Sarasota/Bradenton, USA
7-11 Aug	World Rowing Junior Championships – Tokyo, JPN
25 Aug – 1 Sept	World Rowing Championships – Linz-Ottensheim, AUT*
12-15 Sept	World Rowing Masters Regatta – Lake Valence, HUN
3-6 October	African Olympic and Paralympic Qualification Regatta – Lake Tunis, TUN*
1-3 Nov	World Rowing Coastal Championships – Hong Kong China

The 2020 World Rowing Event Calendar

TBA February	World Rowing Indoor Championships - TBA
TBA April	Asia and Oceania Continental Olympic and Paralympic Qualification Regatta – Chungju, KOR*
2-5 April	Americas Continental Olympic and Paralympic Qualification Regatta – Rio de Janeiro, BRA*
10-12 April	World Rowing Cup 1 – Sabaudia, ITA
27-29 April	European Continental Olympic and Paralympic Qualification Regatta – Varese, ITA*
1-3 May	World Rowing Cup 2 – Varese, ITA*
8-10 May	Final Paralympic Qualification Regatta – Gavirate, ITA*
17-19 May	Final Olympic Qualification Regatta – Lucerne, SUI
22-24 May	World Rowing Cup 3 – Lucerne, SUI
25 July-1 August	Olympic Games Rowing Regatta – Tokyo, JPN
16-23 August	World Rowing Senior, U23 & Junior Championships – Bled, SLO*
28-30 August	Paralympic Games Rowing Regatta – Tokyo, JPN*
11-13 September	World Rowing Masters Regatta – Linz-Ottensheim, AUT
October	World Rowing Coastal Championships - TBA

* Includes para rowing events