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To: Affiliated Federations
Council and Commission Members
Organisers of World Championships
National Rowing Magazines
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Circular No. 5 of 2017

Ladies and Gentlemen,

This Circular covers the following items:

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1. 2017 FISA Ordinary Congress Agenda Papers

Notice was provided in Circular No. 4 of 2017 that the 2017 FISA Ordinary Congress and a National Federation Conference will be held from 08:30 hrs until 13:30 hrs on Monday, 2 October 2017 in Sarasota, USA. Registration will begin at 07:30 hrs. The Congress will take place at the following location:

Polo Grill and Bar
10670 Broadwalk Loop.
Lakewood Ranch, Florida 34202
USA

The Agenda Papers for this year's Congress (including proposals from a member federation) and the Minutes from the 2016 FISA Ordinary and the 2017 FISA Extraordinary Congresses are now available on line at this link:

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

Paper copies of the Agenda Papers will not be sent by post but will be available for delegates at the Congress.

Please note that the French version of the Agenda Papers will be published on the website by the end of August. *Veillez noter que la version française des documents du Congrès sera publiée sur le site Internet d'ici la fin du mois d'août.*



2. 2017 National Federations Conference 1 (immediately following the Congress)

The 2017 National Federations Conference 1 will take place on 2 October 2017 immediately following the FISA Congress and will end by 13:30 hrs. It will be devoted to continuing discussions related to the 2017 Review Projects including the 2020 Olympic Qualification System, Lightweight Rowing and Para Rowing. Also included is a proposal on “Strategic Event Attribution” and “Towards a more Independent Anti-Doping function in FISA”.

Discussion documents for this NF Conference can be found at this link:
<http://www.worldrowing.com/fisa/about-fisa/conference>

3. Corrections to Advertising Bye-Laws

There was an error in the printing of the Advertising Rules on page 171 and 172 of the FISA Rule Book. The corrected text for section 3.4 is found in Marked-Up form at this link: <http://www.worldrowing.com/fisa/publications/rule-book> These corrections will be reflected in the 2018 Rule Book update pages.

4. Casual Vacancy Appointments

The Executive Committee has filled two Commission positions created by casual vacancies and is pleased to announce the following appointments:

- Marcello Varriale, BRA will join the Competitive Rowing Commission
- Tarina van der Stockt, RSA, will join the Para Rowing Commission

Both will start immediately and their terms run until 31 December 2018.

5. FISA Finance Sub-Committee

In accordance with Article 34, the FISA Council has appointed the FISA Finance Sub-Committee at its recent meeting and it includes:

Jean-Christophe Rolland, President
Mike Williams, Treasurer
Gerritjan Eggenkamp, Co-opted Council member
Matt Smith, Executive Director

6. 2017 World Rowing Coaches Conference

Please make a note in your agendas for the 2017 World Rowing Coaches Conference that will be held at the Park Inn Heathrow in London, Great Britain from 6 to 8 December 2017. The World Rowing Awards dinner will take place on the evening of 8 December. The detailed schedule will be published shortly along with details on registration.

7. 2017 National Federations Conference 2

NF presidents and secretaries general, please make a note in your agendas for the second 2017 National Federations Conference that will be held at the Park Inn Heathrow in London, Great Britain on 8 December 2017. The World Rowing Awards dinner will take place on the evening of 8 December. The detailed schedule will be published shortly along with details on registration.

8. The 2020 International Rowing Season

As the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games will take place two weeks earlier than those of Rio in 2016, the international rowing calendar has to be brought forward to accommodate the teams' preparations for Tokyo. The Council has considered all possible options and has settled on the following for the 2020 World Rowing Calendar:

10-12 April	World Rowing Cup 1
1-3 May	World Rowing Cup 2
17-19 May	Final Olympic Qualification Regatta and European Continental Qualification Regatta
22-24 May	World Rowing Cup 3
25 July-1 August	2020 Tokyo Olympic Games Rowing Regatta
16-23 August	2020 World Rowing Senior, U23 & Junior Championships
28-30 August	2020 Tokyo Paralympic Games Rowing Regatta

This will provide two World Cup regattas before and one World Cup regatta after the Final Olympic Qualification Regatta for all teams and eight weeks to prepare for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games Regatta. The European Rowing Championships will take place from 5 to 7 June 2020.

9. Updated 2017 to 2020 World Rowing Long Term Events Calendar

This long term calendar can be accessed using the following link:

<http://www.worldrowing.com/fisa/publications/>

Yours sincerely,



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President



Matt Smith
Executive Director