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To: Affiliated Federations
Council and Commission Members
Organisers of World Championships
National Rowing Magazines
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Circular No. 3 of 2011

Ladies and Gentlemen,

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1. The FISA Council's Proposal to Congress for the Attribution of the 2015 World Rowing Championships

As announced in June, in accordance with Rule 5 of the Rules of Racing, the FISA Council has selected Aiguebelette, France as the most suitable candidate for the 2015 World Rowing Championships and proposes it to Congress for a vote under Agenda item 14 of the Agenda Papers.

Please find a complete explanation entitled: "Council Decision and Analysis of 2015 WCH Bids".

2. 2010 FISA Annual Ordinary Congress – Update

a. 2012 Budget Update – Please refer to the attached budget and explanation paper which was promised on page 59 of the English version of the Agenda Papers.

b. Discussion papers on the Adaptive Rowing racing distance – As mentioned in the English version of the Agenda papers on page 74, the FISA Events and Adaptive Commissions have developed papers to stimulate discussion.

c. Discussion Paper on two days of finals at Junior and Under 23 Championships – also mentioned under Agenda item 19, a discussion paper has been created which presents a brief explanation and pluses and minuses to aid the discussion at Congress.

3. Team Medical Staff Meeting in Bled

A Team Medical Staff Meeting will be held at the 2011 World Rowing Championships in Bled on Thursday afternoon, 1 September 2011. The meeting is scheduled for the afternoon, after racing, and will last no more than 1 1/2 hours. The time will be set after the entry deadline. All team medical personnel are invited to attend.

The FISA Sports Medicine Commission would like to call for any medical professionals to submit papers that they would like to present at the meeting. The presentation format will be a 15 minute presentation followed by questions and discussion.

Please submit your proposed papers to FISA Sports Medicine Chair Dr. Alain Lacoste. Be sure to include the name of the suggested presenter and the title of the presentation. Please also include an abstract of the paper to be presented.

Please submit your proposals by 15 August 2011 to dralainlaco@aol.com with a copy to natalie.schmutz@fisa.org

4. VIP Hospitality in Bled

If your National Federation is inviting any sponsors, National Olympic Committee representatives, National Paralympic Committee representatives or even Ministers of Sport to the 2011 World Rowing Championships, please take note that there is a special VIP hospitality opportunity offered in Bled.

It includes preferred seating on the finish line, a lounge at the top of the grandstands and a VIP hospitality tent at the end of the lake with catered lunch.

This offer has been extended to 23 August 2011. Please contact vip@bled2011.org for more information.

5. New Coastal Rowing Regulations

The FISA Council has just approved new Coastal Rowing Regulations that will take effect immediately. Please refer to these regulations which are a part of this circular.

6. Future FISA event bids

On 1 October, FISA will launch the bid process for the following World Rowing events:

- 2016 World Rowing Senior and Junior Championships
- 2015 World Rowing Under 23 Championships
- 2015 World Rowing Masters Regatta
- 2014 European Rowing Championships
- 2014 European Rowing Junior Championships
- 2013 World Rowing Coastal Championships for Clubs

Any national federations interested in bidding to host one or more of the above events are hereby requested to declare their intention to bid in writing, to be received no later than **30 September 2011** at

The bid questionnaire and related documents will be sent to these federations by 1 October.

7. Qualification System for the 2012 Olympic Games

FISA's Qualification System for the 2012 Olympic Games in London has recently been revised (May 2011) by the International Olympic Committee to include wording about alternate athletes. Please refer to page four of this document. The latest Qualification System document is part of this circular. Please note a change below in the date of the African Qualification regatta.

8. Continental Olympic Qualification Regattas for the 2012 Olympic Games

The Continental Qualification regattas for the 2012 Olympic Games regatta are now finalized. They will take place as follows:

- African Olympic Qualification Regatta,
1 to 3 November 2011, Alexandria, Egypt
- Latin American Olympic Qualification Regatta,
22 to 25 March 2012, Ponce, Puerto Rico
- Asian Olympic Qualification Regatta,
26 to 29 April 2012, Chungju, Korea

9. FISA Commission membership

The FISA Council is pleased to announce the following new members of the FISA Events Commission:

- Matt Draper (AUS)
- Fred Schoch (USA)

Their mandate lasts until 31 December 2014.

10. 2011 Youth Coaches Conference

The 16th World Rowing Youth Coaches Conference will be held in Princeton, New Jersey, USA from 13 to 16 October 2011. Please refer to the following website for complete details:

<http://www.usrowing.org/Events/WRYouthCoachesConference.aspx>

11. 2011 World Rowing Coaches Conference

The above mentioned event will take place this year in Varese, Italy from 10 to 13 November 2011. Please note these dates in your agenda. More information will follow at Bled.

12. 2012 and 2013 Joint Commissions Meeting Bids

Applications are now sought from federations interested in hosting this meeting to be held in March 2012 and 2013. Details of the facilities and services required are available from FISA.

Yours sincerely,



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President



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Attachments available on the www.worldrowing.com website at link: