

INTERNATIONAL FLOORBALL FEDERATION (IFF)

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To: IFF Member Associations

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Dear Floorball Friends,

The **IFF Athletes' Commission (ATC)** has been established since 2007 and currently consists of 4 female & 4 male athletes plus the Committee Chair who also sits on the IFF Central Board. The ATC members provide a voice for the athletes and are involved in many different IFF activities, such as Game Rule changes, looking over the Competition Regulations and participate in the development of IFF Competitions. Other tasks for Athletes' Commission members include, writing (once per year) for the Athlete's Blog on the IFF website and contributing their personal experiences towards the content of the Athlete Career Program.

Members are also involved in work on various IFF committees, such as Rules & Competition Committee & Referee Committee. The ATC meets once per year, the cost of which is covered by the IFF.

IFF Athletes' Commission Elections

As approved by the IFF Central Board in June 2016, a new election system will be introduced for the ATC. Beginning at the next elections, ATC members will be elected for a term of 4 years and the elections will be moved from during the WFC Final round to the WFC Qualification events. In this way we ensure that a greater number of athletes have the opportunity to both nominate for, and vote, in the ATC elections.

Via the elections, the players will elect a minimum of three representatives, and the IFF CB can (if they choose), based on regional aspects, elect one member to the Athletes Commission. To implement this new system completely, a progressive change-over system will be used:

Male Elections: During WFC 2016 (December 2016), 4 male representatives will be elected by the players from all participating teams at WFC 2016. These players will be elected to the ATC for the term of 1^{st} January 2017 – 28th February 2020. Elections for the male representatives for the next term will be held during the Men's WFC Qualifications in February 2020.

Female Elections: The next elections for the female representatives for the ATC will be held during the Women's WFC Qualifications in February 2017. Once elected, the term of these ATC members will be 1^{st} March 2017 – 28th February 2021.

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IFF Athletes' Commission Nominations

We now invite all IFF Member Associations to nominate <u>one (1) Male and/or one (1) Female</u> candidate for election to the IFF Athletes' Commission.

Nominations should be received by the IFF <u>no later than Friday 14.10.2016</u> and should be sent to: <u>competition@floorball.org</u>

The nominations should consist of a short presentation of the player, including the athlete's Floorball CV, a short description of their activities away from Floorball (such as work or study) and their motivation for wanting to be part of the IFF Athletes' Commission. A photo of the nominee should also be included.

The IFF strongly encourages ALL Member Associations, big or small, to nominate players for election. The Athletes' Commission plays an important role in the IFF and the future direction of Floorball. We wish to have as broad as possible representation of the Floorball family within the ATC. The voice of all of our players is important.

For more information on the IFF Athletes' Commission visit the IFF website:

http://www.floorball.org/pages/EN/Athletes-Commission

Looking forward to your nominations.

Kindest regards

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