

### SportAccord IF Forum, Lausanne, Switzerland, 05.-07.11.2018

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**Report on  
present issues**

**1. GAISF Informal gathering**

GAISF had invited all their members for an informal gathering prior to the start of the IF Forum. During the meeting it was informed that the Senior Vice President Raffaele Chiulli will take over after the decided President Patrick Baumann, based on the decision of the GAISF Council. Also the GAISF presidency rotation has been put forward, so that the ARISF two year period will start in 2019, instead of 2020 as planned. It was stressed that the activities must proceed based on the lines drawn by Patrick Baumann. The Head of Administration Mr. Philippe Gueisbuhler has also been promoted to Director of GAISF. GAISF also presented the following topics during the informal session:

**World Urban Games**

The World Urban Games in Los Angeles were presented for 2019, with 8 core sports (Breaking/World Dance, Parkour/FIG, Skateboard/FIRS, Basket 3vs3/FIBA, Sports Climbing/ISCF, BMX/UCI and Disc Golf/WFDF) and 4 showcase sports (City Orienteering/IOF, Modern Pentathlon, Baseball & Softball/WBSC and Indoor Rowing/. The city that lost was Budapest. No information had been sent to the six applicants, who had applied for inclusion and been interviewed concerning their application. These IF's were not invited for the preparatory meetings.

IFF discussed the issue with Mr. Gueisbuhler and it was concluded that it would have been appropriate that information would have been provided to these federations.

Los Angeles has also been appointed as the organiser for 2021, if the 2019 edition works well. The sports for 2021 has not been defined yet.

**Good Governance Project**

The summer sport organisation ASOIF has executed a large scale survey of the Good Governance situation of their members. This has also been done by the winter sport AIOWF. GAISF has now built a smaller survey for the ARISF and AIMS IF's that has to be filled in by mid January.

**.sport**

After a six years process the .sport domain name has been launched in August 2018. IFF among 35 other IF's have taken the .sport in use. Gymnastics and Floorball were among the first to join and move to the use of the new domain.

**2. IF Forum**

The opening of the IF Forum was for obvious reasons centred around the past away president Mr. Patrick Baumann.

The IF Forum had a quite diversified program this year, with sessions on Blockchain and its effect and opportunities for IF's, the readiness for Sport to use ESport and connecting to it. Also the possibilities in ticketing and marketing to that was discussed. Also the IOC Gender Equality Review project was presented and discussed. There will be 9 new female events in Tokyo, compared to Rio for women.

In the program there was also a presentation of the SportAccord Convention in the Goald Coast and GAISF will run the United Through Sports Festival again, asking the member IF's to participate in the festival, through their national associations.

GAISF is now also organising regional SportAccords, with the American SportAccord to be organised in Fort Lauderdale, USA 10.-12.12.2019. GAISF want to have participation from top IF officials there.

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### 3. *IOC IF Sustainability Session*

The IOC has organised a series of Sustainability sessions for the IF's since 2015, this was the first time the ARISF IF's were invited and it was organised in connection to the IF Forum.

The IOC is running a set of sustainability workshops for the Olympic IF's on a yearly basis.

Discussion on the use of plastics, which is also important for Floorball, as all our sticks have plastic wrapping, as a part of joining the IOC Clean seas project. This should be discussed in the Material Board, to agree upon this together.

### 4. *E-Sports*

The IOC had organised an E-Sport session during the summer to discuss the opportunities to develop E-Sports and how to integrate it to the sports family. IOC has declared that as long as there are violence related to E-Sport it is not willing to include them. GAISF has a number of E-sport federations trying to enter the market. A number of the GAISF sports already have E-sport disciplines (Snowboarding, Rowing, Sailing, Cycling) or are cooperating with the game industry (Football, Basketball, Skateboarding etc.)

The E-sport workshop thought about what possibilities there are for the IF's to build their own E-sport approaches, as this will grow a lot in the future.

### 5. *Other meetings*

#### **Mr. Steve Morris/BroadReachMedia**

For 2017 we have lost the FOX Sport Sub Saharan Africa, due to the difficulties to market women's sports to this market and EuroSport Asia for programming reasons. There are now 57 countries and a potential number of 220 million households for the WFC 2017. There are now seven channels:

Fox Sport Pan Europe	25 mill	9 countries
Setana Sport Ireland	1 mill	1 country
Front Runner Sport, UK	27 mill	1 country
Dubai Sports Channel, Pan middle East	170 mill	24 country
OSN Sport Channels	1,3 mill	27 country
FOX Sport Asia	22,5 mill	19 country
Olympic Channel - online		

High-lights program also for the AOFC Cup is possible to be added. For the WFC2018 Mr. Morris will contact Mr. Drobhlav for getting the materials from the Czech TV directly.

#### **FISU/Mr. Oleg Matyskyin, President, Eric Saintrond, CEO & Paulo Ferreira**

The FISU President Matyskin informed that FISU is looking to move some of the WUC from nations to universities and they are planning to do so with Floorball from 2022. IFF answered that this will definitely decrease interest in some of the bigger Floorball countries towards the WUC, as there are no University teams. In the discussion it was concluded that FISU will bring forward a proposal, that IFF can discuss in the Association Meeting next year in Switzerland. Also the possibility to test different game formats in the WUC was discussed.

**Upcoming meetings and issues**

- Check if we have a production good enough for TV-highlights from the AOFC cup for a TV high-lights program (JL)
  - Discuss the possibility to drop plastic wrapping of all Floorball sticks (JL)
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**Issues that need to be discussed or decided upon or taken action upon**

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**New ideas, etc...**

- Discuss how IFF could join the slido.com Clean Sea project and what should be done (JL)
- Speak to Mr. King what the AFA could do to promote Floorball in the United Through Sports during the SportAccord in the Gold Coast. (JL)