

President

To: ARISF Members

By e-mail only

Lausanne, 15 November 2018

Subject: Next Steps for ARISF

Dear President, Dear Secretary General,

The ARISF Council met in connection with the IF Forum in Lausanne November 6th, 2018, we would like to take the opportunity to inform you, the ARISF members, about the discussions at the meeting and the changing situation within the International Sports family.

First, the Council would like to pass along its sincere condolences at the tragic passing of GAISF President Patrick Baumann. Patrick was a unique leader in the sports community, with an interest in all sports, and his loss is significant to us all.

The GAISF Council confirmed at its recent meeting that the ARISF President will lead GAISF as the Senior Vice President, until the next GAISF General Assembly in May 2019. Furthermore, the GAISF Council has also decided to propose to the GAISF General Assembly 2018, that the statutory rotation of the GAISF Presidency will be advanced by one year, so that the ARISF President will become the GAISF President for 2019 - 2021.

The implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed between the IOC and GAISF in November 2017 is progressing and the ARISF Council has discussed what impact this has upon us. The discussion can be summarised in the following:

- To confirm that the MoU does not have an impact upon the governance of ARISF as an independent organisation, or the position of ARISF in the sports community and GAISF. ARISF members make up the largest component of GAISF members and the status and process for IOC recognition is in place as previously, but now the preparations are made by GAISF.
- A change has been made in that the GAISF office now provides operational resources and support to ARISF. This means that employment contracts and all related operational costs are now within GAISF.
 ARISF does have dedicated individuals within the GAISF office to provide support. Together with the



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GAISF office we will be looking at areas of synergy which can further reduce the requirements on ARISF resources, for example in the planning and execution of the Annual Meeting, website updating etc. These shared services will allow us to focus on strategic matters of interest to ARISF members.

- GAISF has also initiated, and will be initiating, a number of projects to support all GAISF member federations in their development. As examples can be mentioned the .sport initiative, and projects to help members assess governance progress through the GAISF questionnaire and the sustainability process. ARISF members are encouraged to use these shared services as they fit into their own processes.
- Due to the above changes, the ARISF Council intends on now focusing on issues to support members in development in accordance with their goals and ambitions. In the context of the above, we would therefore like to engage in a dialogue to determine what the overall value proposition for ARISF should be, based upon where we are today and where you as our members feel we should be headed.

Council members Tom Hollowell and John Liljelund have taken on the task of engaging with you in the period from now until the Annual Meeting in May to get your input. The intention is to present the results of this work and propose a renewed direction for decision at the Annual Meeting.

Best regards,

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