



The Events Committee met 09:30 – 18:00 hours on Friday 8 May 2009 at the Novotel Warsaw Centrum Hotel, Warsaw, Poland

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### Present:

Chris Atkins – Chairman	Oleg Ilyin
George Wossals – Vice Chairman	Phil Jones
Henri van der Aat	Fiona Kidd
Alejandro Abascal Garcia	Quanhai Li
Kim Andersen	Bjorn Lofterod
Karel Bauer	Pablo Masseroni
Gary Bodie	Takao Otani
Carolijn Brouwer	Corinne Rolland-McKenzie
Gianfranco Busatti	Malav Shroff
Tomasz Chamera	Nadine Stegenwalner
Jan Dawson	David Irish – Vice President

### Apologies:

Henry Bacchini	Sofia Bekatorou:
HRH Crown Prince Frederik of Denmark	Bill O'Hara
	Alfredo Ricci

## 1. Welcome & Introductions

The Chairman introduced the agenda and advised the Events Committee the plans for the next four years. The Working Parties will be confirmed at the end of the Mid Year Conference.

Committee Members should send details of any Conflicts of Interests to the ISAF Secretariat and a register will be drawn up. The procedure for this will be defined after the meeting

The Chairman gave a brief outline of his experiences and asked the rest of the Events Committee to introduce themselves to the Events Committee.

## 2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

### (a) Minutes

The Committee noted the minutes of the Events Committee meeting of 12 November 2008. These minutes can be downloaded at [www.sailing.org/meetings](http://www.sailing.org/meetings).

## **Events Committee Agenda (cont.)**

### **(b) Minutes Matters Arising**

It was noted that the Events Committee Terms of Reference, and any amendment to reflect the roles of the Events and Equipment Committees, would be confirmed by the Executive Committee, in consultation with the two committee chairman, at the 2009 Annual Conference.

## **3. Executive Committee Update**

The Events Committee noted the minutes of the ISAF Executive Committee meeting, February 2009.

## **4. Events Committee: Strategy & Priorities for 2009-2012**

### **(a) Objectives for Events Committee**

The Events Committee noted the paper, 'Objectives of ISAF Events Committee – paper for the 2009 Events Committee Meeting, May 2009'. It was agreed that the Events Committee Strategy Working Party should recommend objectives for agreement at the ISAF Events Committee meeting in November 2009 and that any agreed objectives should be documented in the Events section of the ISAF Strategic Plan.

### **(b) Current Situation**

The Events Committee reviewed the priorities for 2009-2012 as proposed by Events Committee Members.

### **(c) Events Strategy**

The Events Committee noted the paper, 'ISAF Events Strategy 2009-2012 – report to the Events Committee, May 2009'. It was agreed that the Events Committee Strategy Working Party should review and update this document for agreement at the ISAF Events Committee meeting in November 2009 and that the agreed strategy should be documented in the Events section of the ISAF Strategic Plan.

### **(d) Events Structure**

The Events Committee noted the paper, 'ISAF Olympic Events Structure'. It was agreed that the ISAF Olympic Events Structure, as amended and agreed, is incorporated in to the Events section of the ISAF Strategic Plan. It was also agreed that a submission is made for November 2009 to amend Regulation 17.2.1 such that the ISAF Sailing World Championships takes place every 4 years, in the year before the Olympic Games.

### **(e) Conclusions**

The Events Committee noted the papers, 'Events Committee Working Parties' and 'ISAF Events Committee: "2009-12 Priorities and Planning'. It was noted that the membership of the Working Parties would be confirmed by Saturday 9 May.

## **5. 2012 Olympic Sailing Competitions**

### **(a) Olympic Commission**

The Events Committee received a progress report from the Chairman of the Olympic Commission. It was noted that the Olympic Commission held their first formal meeting on Thursday 7 May in Warsaw. The Chairman of the Olympic Committee outlined the role and remits of the Commission and reported that the Events Committee would be consulted before making any final recommendations to the Executive Committee.

## Events Committee Agenda (cont.)

Further clarification was requested by Events Committee members on the overlap and division of responsibility between the Commission and Events Committee.

### (b) Objective of Olympic Participation

There was a forty five minutes workshop which was divided into four groups, each one attended by two members of the Olympic Commission. The four groups each focused on a different theme: Diversity through Events and Equipment choices, Nation Participation, Media Appeal – Maximising appeal within the current format, Media Appeal – introducing change to increase media appeal. Each group gave a brief summary of the points raised; summarised in the Appendix to these minutes. The points raised are to be considered by the Olympic Commission.

### (c) Report on 2008 Olympic Sailing Competition

The Events Committee received a verbal report from the ISAF Events Manager and noted the paper '2008 Olympic Report'. The report focused on the key positive elements and the key problem areas of the 2008 Olympic Games. The key positive elements included the introduction of the Medal Race and the spectator facilities whereas the key problem area was found to lie in the presentation of the sport. It was noted that ISAF is responsible for the technical aspects of the sport at the Olympic Games but that ISAF should work to have more influence in other areas: TV production, SIS, Press & Media Appointments, technology and results systems, tracking, etc.

It was agreed that the ISAF Sailing World Cup and ISAF Sailing World Championships provide ISAF with an opportunity to develop and demonstrate best practices in presentation of the sport to and through the media.

### (d) 2016 Olympic Decisions

The Events Committee noted the schedule for decisions on Olympic selection criteria (regulation 16.1.1(a), Events selection and Equipment selection to be as follows.

November 2009: confirm regulation 16.1.6(a) – Olympic selection criteria; decide Equipment (if any) to be selected 7 years in advance;

May 2011: agree list of possible Events;

November 2011: decide Events;

May 2012: agree list of possible Equipment;

November 2012: decide Equipment;

### (e) 2012 Olympic Format & Qualification

The Events Committee received a report from the ISAF Events Manager and noted the three papers: 'ISAF 2012 Format', 'ISAF 2012 Qualification System' and 'Match Racing Committee Proposals'. It was agreed that:

the Match Racing format for 2012 needed to be discussed further to determine whether there should be a single or double round robin, or some other format, before the knock out stages;

the quota for the qualification system should be closer to the numbers of the 2008 Olympic Games, with some change designed to ensure an increase the number of nations participating in the Olympic Sailing Competition;

further review and clarification of the re-allocation system was required;

an Olympic Format and Qualification Working Group should be established to develop the format and qualification system for agreement at the ISAF Events Committee meeting in November 2009.

## Events Committee Agenda (cont.)

It was also noted that in due course Regional Games could have a role in Olympic Qualification or re-allocation system.

### 6. Deferred Submissions – Future Olympic Sailing Competition

The Events Committee noted the decisions of the Executive Committee meeting February 2009 that submissions 084-08 to 088-08 should be referred to the Olympic Commission for consideration. The Events Committee noted that the Regulations state that these decisions should be made in November 2011, that in the meantime the Olympic Commission would be making its own review and recommendations in this area, and that there were a number of good options in these submissions that should remain on the table for a later decision.

The Events Committee therefore agreed to defer the submissions to enable them to be reviewed in May 2010, and asked the Olympic Commission to consider the options within the submissions in the meantime. The Events Committee therefore made the following recommendations to Council:

(a) Submission 084-08

The Events Committee consider deferred submission 084-08 from the Fédération Française de Voile about the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition – Events.

Recommendation to Council

*The Events Committee recommends to defer submission 084-08 – Request the Olympic Commission to look into this further and report back to the Events Committee in twelve months time.*

**Vote: Unanimous**

(b) Submission 085-08

The Event Committee consider deferred submission 085-08 from the International Formula 18 Class Association about the – Permanent Events.

Recommendation to Council

*The Events Committee recommends to defer submission 085-08 - Request the Olympic Commission to look into this further and report back to the Events Committee in twelve months time.*

**Vote: Unanimous**

(c) Submission 086-08

The Events Committee consider deferred submission 086-08 from the International Dart Class Association about the Olympic Sailing Competition – Permanent Events.

Recommendation to Council.

*The Events Committee recommends to defer submission 086-08 - Request the Olympic Commission to look into this further and report back to the Events Committee in twelve months time.*

**Vote: Unanimous**

(d) Submission 087-08

The Events Committee consider deferred submission 087-08 from the US Sailing about the Olympic Sailing Competition – Events 2016, 2020 and 2024.

## Events Committee Agenda (cont.)

### Recommendation to Council.

*The Events Committee recommends to defer submission 076-08 - Request the Olympic Commission to look into this further and report back to the Events Committee in twelve months time.*

**Vote: Unanimous**

#### (e) Submission 088-08

The Events Committee reconsider deferred submission 088-08 from the International Tornado Association about 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition – Events.

### Recommendation to Council

*The Events Committee recommends to defer submission 088-08 - Request the Olympic Commission to look into this further and report back to the Events Committee in twelve months time.*

**Vote: Unanimous**

## 7. Urgent Submissions

#### (a) Submissions M01-09 – M06-09

The Events Committee considered urgent submissions M01-09 – M06-09 regarding an 11th medal for the 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition. Corinne Rolland-McKenzie informed the Events Committee she would be abstaining in any votes on these submissions.

### Recommendation to Council

*The Events Committee recommends M01-09 – M06-09 that the above submissions should be an “Open Event”.*

M01-09 Olympic Games possible 11th Event.

The Events Committee agreed that, if IOC decides that sailing should have an 11th Event, it was important that any decision on the choice of Equipment for this Event is known as soon as possible after any IOC decision to give maximum time to MNAs, sailors, and Olympic Organisers to prepare. The Events Committee decided that it therefore had a responsibility to make its recommendation on this choice at this meeting. The Events Committee also noted the earlier recommendations of the Equipment Committee on this issue.

### Recommendation to Council

*The Events Committee recommended that Council reject M01-09*

**Vote: 13 against, 5 in favour, 4 abstentions**

The Events Committee then proceeded to vote on the following two submissions:

M05-09 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition – Multihull for 11th Medal.

### Recommendation to Council

*The Events Committee recommends to approve submission M-05-09.*

**Vote: 19 in favour, 3 abstentions**

## Events Committee Agenda (cont.)

M06-09 11th Medal – Tornado for 2012

### Recommendation to Council

*The Events Committee recommends to approve submission M-06-09.*

**Vote: 17 in favour, 5 abstentions**

In view of the above vote, the Events Committee then took a single vote on the remaining three submissions

M02-09 Olympic Equipment – Hobie Tiger for 2012.

M03-09 Olympic Events 2012 – Hobie Tiger for 2012.

M04-09 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition Choice of Equipment – Hobie Tiger for 2012.

### Recommendation to Council

***The Events Committee recommends to reject submissions M02-09, M03-09, M04-09.***

**Vote: Unanimous**

## 8. ISAF Events: ISAF Sailing World Cup & ISAF Sailing World Championships

### (a) ISAF Sailing World Cup & ISAF SWC Management Group

The Events Committee received a verbal report from the ISAF Events Manager on the ISAF Sailing World Cup. It was noted that the Events Committee had concerns regarding the quality and consistency of Race Management and it was agreed that ISAF should maximise the standardisation of NoRs and SIs across the ISAF SWC for 2010 and should ensure that Race Officials deliver a consistent and high quality service. It was also noted that the ISAF SWC branding needs to be improved.

- i) The Events Committee noted the ISAF Events Manager's letters to all MNAs and Council regarding Women's Match Racing and recognised the progress that had been made over the last 6 months and the work that had been put in by ISAF staff and Regatta Organisers to ensure that Match Racing is included in 4 of the 7 ISAF SWC events in 2009.
- ii) The Events Committee noted the Executive Committee's decision regarding the status of the 2010 Skandia Sail For Gold Regatta. The Regatta will be run by the RYA and will be part of the ISAF Sailing World Cup but it will also be an observed event for LOCOG and ISAF. The entry criteria should allow for a minimum of two and a maximum of five teams per nation per event.

### (b) 2011 ISAF Sailing World Championship

The Events Committee receive a verbal report from the ISAF Events Manager together with John Longley AM, Event Director of the Perth 2011 ISAF Sailing World Championships. The report focussed on recent decisions regarding the venue of the Championship and highlighted that the spectator experience would be unique in that the event would be based right in the heart of Fremantle.

### (c) 2015 ISAF Sailing World Championships

The Events Committee agreed that a submission should be prepared for November 2009 to amend Regulation 17.2.6 so that the venue of 2015 ISAF Sailing World Championships shall be decided in May 2011.

## **Events Committee Agenda (cont.)**

(d) Events Working Party

An Events Working Party will be created to continue to review and make recommendations to the Events Committee on the strategy and policies, and implementation thereof, of the ISAF Sailing World Cup and the ISAF Sailing World Championships.

### **9. ISAF Events, Promotion, Rankings, Race Management & Calendar**

(a) ISAF Sailor Rankings

The Chairman of the Sail Rankings Sub-committee gave a report on the possible amendments required to the Rankings System in the light of the ISAF Sailing World Cup and the inclusion of Women's Match Racing in the Olympic Sailing Competition. It was agreed that it would be preferable to have a single Ranking System that covered the ISAF World Rankings and the ISAF Sailing World Cup Standings and preserved the good attributes of the current ISAF World Rankings. The Sail Rankings Sub-committee agreed to consider this further.

(b) Establishment of Marketing and Media Liaison Working Group

The Events Committee had under item 5(b) discussed opportunities for optimising media coverage and spectator appeal of ISAF Sailing Events and agreed the formation of a Working Group to liaise with the ISAF Marketing Department. The Working Group should help to ensure that new opportunities and initiatives are co-ordinated and implemented at ISAF events.

(c) Redress

The Events Committee noted the paper on redress prepared by the Chairman, and the ISAF Race Officials Committee Chairman gave a brief report on the operation of redress at ISAF Sailing Events in general and in the Medal Race in particular. The Events Committee agreed that a joint Events Committee / Race Officials group should review the operation of redress at the Medal Race in particular, and make recommendations on limiting or removing redress from the Medal Race to the ISAF Events Committee meeting in November 2009

(d) Medal Race

The Medal Race position of boat in Silver Medal position at the start of the medal race was not discussed. The Events Committee noted that this had been brought up as a topic by the Multihull Commission, and the Executive has asked the Multihull Commission to come up with ideas and proposals.

(e) ISAF Events Calendar

The Events Committee received a report from the Events Secretary. It was agreed that an Events Calendar Working Party should be established to recommend policies and processes for creation of a forward-looking Events Calendar for the sport of sailing that could then be implemented by the ISAF office.

### **10. Junior & Youth Sailing Events**

(a) 2010 Youth Olympic Games

The ISAF Events Manager gave a verbal report from the Youth Olympic Games Working Party. It was noted that the qualification system had been approved by the IOC and that the qualification events would be taking place on all 6 continents. The ISAF Events Manager reported that he had conducted a successful site visit and that the sailing venue – the Singapore National Sailing Centre – was well equipped and prepared to run a successful event.

## Events Committee Agenda (cont.)

### (b) Youth Championship Sub-committee

The Chairman of the Youth Worlds Sub-Committee gave a progress report and highlighted in particular that the 2009 ISAF Youth Worlds in Brazil had attracted a strong entry with 61 nations taking part. She advised the Events Committee that it is not certain if the Open High Performance Dinghy Event will be included in the VOLVO Youth Sailing ISAF World Championships in Turkey in 2010, due to the anticipation of a large number of participants and the restrictions on accommodations at the venue site. This will be looked into further with the Event Organizing Committee in hopes of coming up with a satisfactory solution.

### (c) Junior & Youth Pathway

There was a brief discussion on the Events and Equipment pathway from junior to youth to adult for elite sailors, and it was agreed that this should be reviewed further by the Events Strategy Working Party during 2010. Any such pathway needs to take into account cost and existing MNA systems

## 11. Other Items

### (a) Athlete Commission

The ISAF Events Manager gave a verbal report of the Athlete Commission. The Events Committee were advised that there would be an election for the Athlete Commission later in the year. This has currently been announced on the ISAF website.

### (b) Team Racing Sub-Committee

The Events Committee noted the written report received from the Chairman of the ISAF Team Racing Sub-committee.

### (c) 2009 Class World Championships Criteria – Regulation 18.2.1

The Events Committee noted the minutes of the Equipment Committee and received a report from the ISAF Events Manager. The Events Committee were advised that some Classes were not meeting the criteria of the regulation to hold World Championships. It was agreed that the Classes Working Group will work with the Equipment Committee, and the ISAF Technical Department, to review policy and strategy, the current regulations 18 and 26, implementation of and adherence to these regulations, and make recommendations to the Events Committee in November 2009.

### (d) Communication

This item was deferred.

## 12. Any Other Business

There were concerns raised regarding the Match Racing Women entry fees to ISAF Sailing World Cup events. It was noted that Match Racing is expensive for the Organising Authority in terms of Equipment, insurance and Officials, and therefore will be more expensive than fleet racing unless it is subsidised by the fleet racing entry fees. However the fact that the Equipment is supplied does eliminate competitors' equipment shipping costs. The Match Racing Committee will be asked to review options to reduce the costs of match racing competition.

It was agreed that the Terms of Reference of the Events Committee and the Olympic Commission should be clarified by the Executive Committee.



## **Events Committee Agenda (cont.)**

### **13. Meeting Summary & Actions for November Meeting**

The Chairman gave a summary to the Events Committee of what has been discussed during the Events Committee Meeting

There being no further business this meeting was closed.

## **Objective of Olympic Participation – Feedback from the Groups**

### **Corinne's Group**

Diversity at Olympic Games should be achieved through:

- male/female equal spread of events even if in first time different ratio (higher for men).
- spread in type of events/equipment to represent actual worldwide sailing
- equipment that cater for different size and weight of athletes
- equipment that will boost number of countries at OG
- have a long term commitment with chosen equipment to allow for long term investment and training programme
- event/equip. should not cater for different age group

### **Gary's Group**

- We considered Substantial Changes such as mid course gates, scoring variations, and OCS treatment. No consensus within the group.
- We discussed New Media including tracking, data, scoring, CIS, and OCS. Need more background stories to provide to media.
- We discussed TV coverage. TV need not necessarily be live. Should be heavily edited, using all of the New Media tools above. ISAF should invest in a show reel and media education.
- We discussed spectator appeal. The ingredients for spectators (close to shore) are not necessarily the items that make for good TV. The "atmosphere" of the event is key for attracting spectators.

### **Fiona's Group**

## **MAXIMIZING MEDIA AT THE OLYMPIC GAMES - CURRENT FORMAT**

### **TV Media:**

- Media must 'tell the story of the game'
- Priority media at Olympics is TV – as it produces the content that can be channelled to internet etc
- High priority is to improve the tracking system on boats and at marks (mark rounding must be in real time)
- Generate a standard graphics package to help describe the course, the boats, and to improve boat positions on the course (ie Tracking System)
- Develop standard camera positions to allow the viewer to see the 'game' from the same POV much like a soccer game (i.e. bird's eye wide shot, behind the net, midfield camera positions etc). This should be implemented in the years leading up to the games at the World Cup Events to help 'educate' the viewer on how the games is played
- Set up and utilize the CIS system at the Olympic Games – there was no CIS system for Beijing so commentators had no access to athlete's personal information. (ISAF Sailor was used to research the backgrounds on each sailors in each event)

- Clearer boat identification and more colours. Country flags or country codes need to be in camera field of view at all times i.e. - sails, hull (midships, transom, bow), on boom, clothing etc 49ers are the most photogenic of all the classes, particularly off wind with their spinnakers and most importantly they can be easily viewed from shore. Need to ensure that ALL classes have large country flags
- Better communication between BOB (LOB for 2012) and ISAF to broadcast holders – need more information on the schedule, why the delays, and when it is estimated to start etc – an ISAF Broadcast Media Attaché would help to service the rights holders and liaise with LOB
- Must have cameras on all 10 boats in Final Medal Race – different boats will need different camera mounts in order to work with each type of class. (windsurfers may be the exception)
- Use a variety of shot techniques – slow motion, freeze frame etc to help the viewer understand a complicated situation etc – also adds drama
- Medal Race – better than previous but can be improved – it was complicated to follow the point spread and announce the positions during the race (had to use a spreadsheet). Change the name to FINAL and simplify the scoring.

#### **Internet:**

- Need to package TV product in short video clips (2-5 min) that can be easily downloaded to rights holder websites and for broadcast news highlights.
- Use Tracking System graphics on Internet in conjunction with live footage and interviews.
- Generate a Highlight Package for all of the Preliminary rounds for Internet and Broadcast use – (this would save money as there would only be the need to have the live feed for the Finals)
- For Preliminary Rounds the Gyro (Wescam) cameras mounted on boats could be used on a number of courses as well as handheld cameras to get a variety of shots for the highlight package.

#### **Spectators:**

- Must create a spectator experience or 'village' on shore that is close to racing and generates excitement about the sport and the competition
- Provide a large screen & commentator to explain what is happening on the water – use a commentator and sport analyst to facilitate the dialogue
- Utilize radio commentary in different languages – units that can be purchased/rented on site
- Important to fill the void during delays with entertainment, music, food & drink, and information about the sport and other sailing events

#### **Malav's Group**

- Minimum size of fleet racing for Olympic should be 20 so that medal race is at least 50% lesser fleets make medal race less important.
- There is no need to increase nations participating in the Olympics as it will be at the expense of quality. Olympic is about the best. We need more nations at the Olympic qualifications and athlete participation programs must be used by ISAF at these events.

- Regional Games to increase participation must have Olympic equipment. to further increase participation may be ISAF can look at distributing wild card for winners of the Regional Games.
- The cost of equipment for Olympic campaign is insignificant to cost of campaign (which includes logistics). But ISAF should regulate the price of equipment and make its policy effective as it makes a difference to the new entrants
- ISAF already has a policy to implement cost reductions through Olympic contracts with manufacturers. It must ensure this happens.

## **Working Parties**

### **Strategy Working Party**

Chris Atkins - Chairman

Oleg Ilyin

Phil Jones

Fiona Kidd

Malav Schroff

Karel Bauer

Alastair Fox (ISAF Secretariat)

1. Recommend Objectives for Events Committee (November 2009; May agenda item 4(a) refers)
2. Recommend ISAF Events Strategy 2009-'12 (November 2009; May agenda item 4(c) refers); ensure consistency (or highlight if not) between proposed Events Strategy and Olympic Strategy as proposed by Olympic Commission
3. Review and update ISAF Events Structure (November 2009; May agenda item 4(d) refers)
4. Recommend strategy for Junior and Youth Events, to include Event and Equipment pathway and strategy for ISAF Youth Worlds (2010)
5. Recommend strategy for Regional Games in consultation with Regional Games Committee (2010)

### **Events Working Party**

Gary Bodie – Chairman

Tomasz Chamera

Corinne McKenzie

Bill O'Hara

Nadine Stegenwalner

Alastair Fox (ISAF Secretariat)

1. Recommend policy and strategy for ISAF Sailing World Cup and ISAF Sailing World Championships
2. Liaise with Race Officials (standard SIs etc), Marketing and Media, and World Cup Management Group over implementation
3. Liaise with ISAF Rankings Sub-committee over the establishment of a single rankings system / list.

Note: Race Officials Committee is leading on SI standardisation and RO consistency at SWC events (2010 and thereafter)

### **Marketing and Media Liaison Working Group**

Fiona Kidd – Chairman

Henri van der Aat

Kim Anderson

Phil Jones

Takao Otani

Claire Frost / Tamsin Rand (ISAF Secretariat)

1. Recommend strategy, priorities and initiatives for optimising media and spectator appeal of ISAF sailing events, and demonstrating to event organisers and broadcasters best practices. Includes both established and new media.
2. Liaise with ISAF Marketing department, Events Working Party, World Cup Management Group and other event organisers (especially 2011 ISAF Sailing World Championships and 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition), and Race Officials Technology WG over implementation

### **2015 ISAF Sailing World Championships Venue Selection Working Group**

George Wossala (lead from the Events Committee)

Corinne McKenzie

Bill O'Hara

Alastair Fox (ISAF Secretariat)

1. Recommend venue for 2015 ISAF Sailing World Championships by May 2011
2. Define and manage bidding process
3. Recommend selection criteria; agree criteria with Events Working Party

### **Olympic Format & Qualification**

Alastair Fox (ISAF Secretariat) – Chairman

Chris Atkins

Gary Bodie

Zvi Zviblat

1. Recommend Olympic format and qualification processes, and oversee implementation
2. Review nation participation, identify target nations and recommend initiatives for maximising nation participation in both qualification events and the Olympics in alignment with IOC evaluation criteria
3. Recommend and manage "wild-card" entry processes

### **Classes Working Group (joint with Equipment Committee)**

Zvi Zviblat

Chris Atkins

Nadine Stegenwalner

Plus2 from Equipment Committee (tbc)

Jason Smithwick (ISAF Secretariat)

1. Review and recommend alignment or integration of regulations 18 and 26
2. Review and make recommendations on policy changes (eg policy on Recognised as a category; policy on numerical criteria)
3. Monitor adherence to regulations and make recommendations accordingly
4. Liaise with ISAF Classes (Corinne McKenzie) over recommendations

### **Events Calendar Working Group**

Malav Schroff Chairman

Pablo Masseroni,

Bill O'Hara

Pauline Ward (ISAF Secretariat)

1. Recommend policies and processes for the creation and maintenance of a forward-looking Events Calendar for the sport of sailing
2. Oversee implementation by the ISAF office

### **Redress Working Group (joint with Race Officials)**

Zvi Zviblat (lead)

Tomasz Chamera

Josje Hofland (from RO)

Jan Stage (from RO)

1. Recommend (by end June 2009) implementation of "denial of redress at Olympic Medal Race and supporting events" policy to enable a submission to be drafted for November 2009 decision, and for detailed SIs and RO procedures to be defined

#### **Match Race Format Working Group**

Gary Bodie (lead)

Plus 3 specialists (not from Events Committee)

Alastair Fox (ISAF Secretariat)

1. Recommend (by end Sept 2009) the format for Match Racing at 2010 ISAF SWC, 2011 ISAF Sailing World Championships (including # entries), and 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition

#### **Notes:**

1. As the only trial / innovation so far identified is the above redress initiative, the Trials & Innovation WP has not been established at this stage. It may be better to continue to handle these opportunities with specific Working Groups.
2. The Olympic Selections WP will be established in November 2010 when its work will start.
3. In addition, Dan Ibsen and his Rankings Sub-committee will be making recommendations on how best to achieve a single rankings system given the existence of the Sailing World Cup and our desire to promote this as ISAF's annual series of elite events for Olympic events.