

## **2016 Olympic Sailing Competition**

### **Events and Equipment**

A submission from the Deutscher Segler-Verband and the Bermuda Sailing Association

#### **Purpose or Objective**

To change the list of Olympic Events and Equipment in Regulation 23.1.4.

#### **Proposal**

Men's board or kite board – Evaluation  
Women's board or kite board – Evaluation  
Men's one person dinghy – Laser  
Women's one person dinghy – Laser Radial  
Men's skiff – 49er  
Women's skiff – Evaluation  
Men's two person keelboat - Evaluation  
Women's keelboat – Elliott 6m  
Mixed multihull – Evaluation  
Mixed two person dinghy (spinnaker) – 470

#### **Current Position**

Men's board or kite board – Evaluation  
Women's board or kite board – Evaluation  
Men's one person dinghy – Laser  
Women's one person dinghy – Laser Radial  
Men's 2<sup>nd</sup> one person dinghy – Finn  
Men's skiff – 49er  
Women's skiff – Evaluation  
Women's keelboat – Elliott 6m  
Mixed multihull – Evaluation  
Mixed two person dinghy (spinnaker) – 470

#### **Reasons**

##### **Deutscher Segler-Verband**

1. To reflect, that keelboat sailing is the world's most popular form of regatta and recreational sailing.
2. To ensure compliance with Regulation 23.1.2 (e) and (f):

“....Olympic Events and Equipment taken together shall seek to:

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- (e) maximise the participation of the world's best sailors and showcase the diversity of the sport;
- (f) provide an effective platform for promotion of the sport, and elite sailors, between Olympics;..."

For further reasons refer to website: [www.dsv.org/index.php?id=506](http://www.dsv.org/index.php?id=506)

#### Bermuda Sailing Association

1. Keelboat ensures diversity as it accommodates the widest athlete range by far, both in weight and age, while continually attracting the champions and heroes of the sport back
2. To the Olympic arena, six of the last twelve winners of ISAF Sailor of the Year currently sail the keelboat/Star.
3. To continue to maintain interest and popularity in the sport, Men's keelboat/Star is sailed by more sailors in the regattas included on the ISAF ranking list than any other class after the Laser.
4. February 2011 Ranking list totals by class - Star 379, Finn 326, RSXM 313, 470M 307, 49er 227
5. The infrastructure required for the keelboat is the same of that required for the Paralympics allowing for cost to be divided between the Olympics and Paralympics.
6. In the spirit of enhancing the Games, the most thrilling and exciting race at the Olympic regatta in Qingdao was the medal race of the Men's two person keelboat/Star. Every boat finished within 55 seconds with an exchange of medal winners throughout the race.