



# **Regional Games Committee**

## **2013 -2016**

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# Committee membership

- *19 committee members*
  - 13 new – 6 returning*
  - 4 female – 15 male*
- *14 ISAF Groups represented:*
  - 1A, 1C, 3D, 1E, 1G, 1H, 1I, 1J, 1K, 1L, 1N, 3O, 2P, 1Q*
- *3 ISAF officials: 1 IJ, 1 IRO, 1 IJ/IRO*
- *8 cross appointed: Council (1)*
  - Development and Youth (2)*
  - Team Racing Sub-committee (1)*
  - Women's Forum (4)*
- *6 with ExCo responsibilities in Continental Associations:*
  - ASF (1), PASAF (2), EUROSFAF (2), CACSC (1)*

# What are the Regional Games?

- 2 classifications: Category 1 (5 'major' events)  
Category 2 (~15 'recognized' events)
- 15-20 multi-sport events that **include** sailing as one of their core sports
- 5-8 multi-sport events that may include sailing but **not** on a regular basis
- regional sailing championships
- hybrid: elite + development / olympic + non-olympic
- some annual events, others on 2 year or 4 year cycles
- ISAF recognition (as Cat 1 or 2) = resources + support



# What are the Regional Games?

## Category 1

All African Games

Asian Games

Central American and Caribbean Games

Pan American Games

South American Games



# What are the Regional Games?

## Category 2

Atlantic Watersport Games

Mediterranean Games

Pacific Games and the Pacific Mini Games

Bolivarian Games

South East Asian Games

Asian Beach Games

Asian Sailing Championship

South American Beach Games

South American Youth Games

Jeux des Iles de L'Ocean Indien



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## **Sailing optional**

Games of the Small States of Europe – 2 year cycle

East Asian Games – 4 year cycle

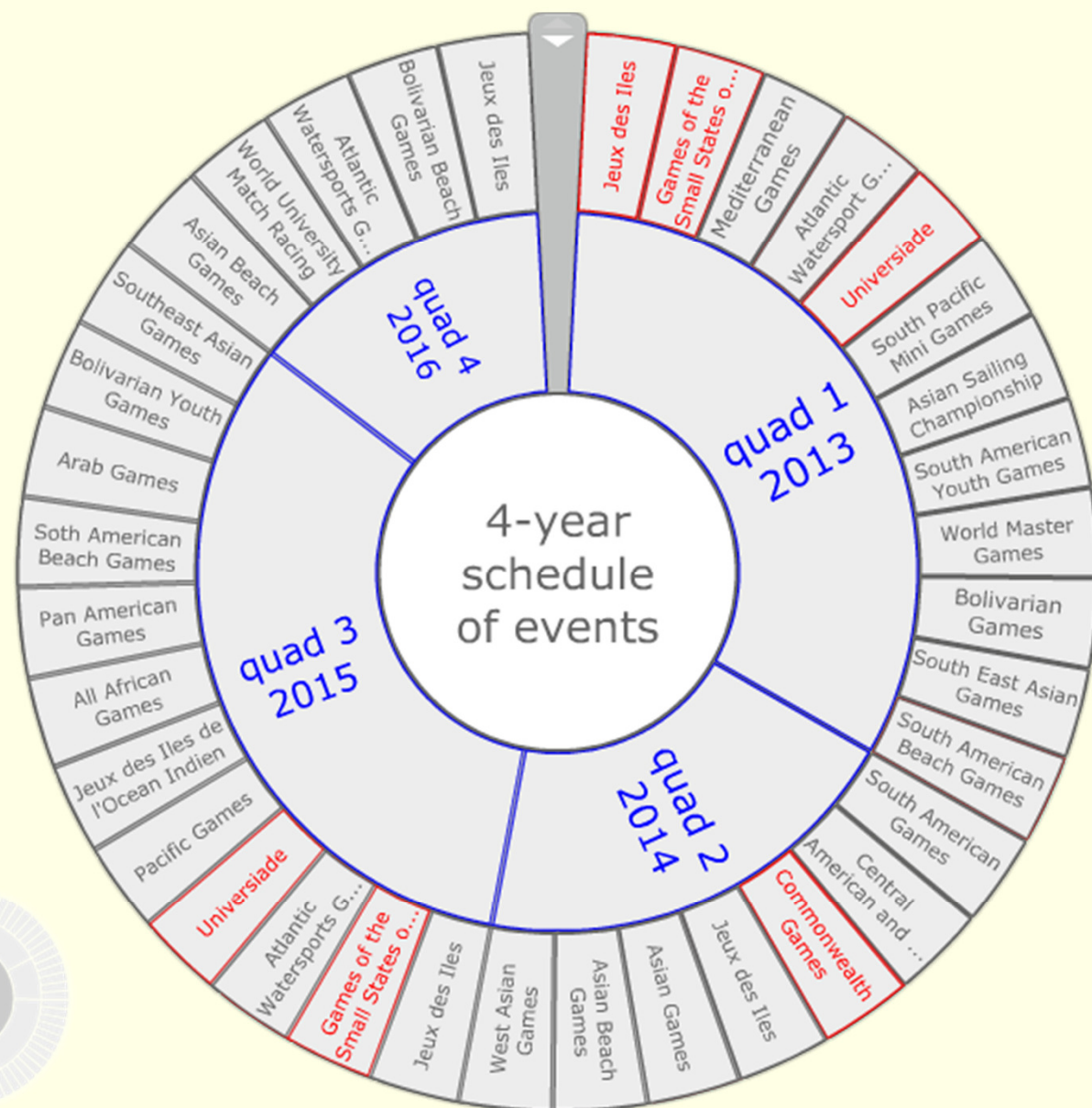
Commonwealth Games – 4 year cycle

Universiade – 2 year cycle

Jeux des Iles - annual

Military World Games – 4 year cycle





## Three examples of large RGs:

- Pan American Games 2015 - 4 year cycle  
41 nations, 6000 athletes  
36 sports (28 Olympic)  
sailing: 10 events, 140 athletes
- Asian Games 2010 – 4 year cycle  
45 nations, 9700 athletes  
42 sports (28 Olympic)  
sailing: 14 events, 129 athletes (fleet), 40 (match)
- Universiade 2011 – 2 year cycle  
150 nations, 10000 participants  
24 sports  
sailing: 9 events, 136 athletes

# Committee activities

- *Sailing in RGs*
  - *RGC works with Secretariat to*
    - *promote sailing in Regional Games*
    - *lobby for inclusion of sailing with key event OAs (Commonwealth Games and others)*
- *Event monitoring*
  - *every committee member*
    - *holds a watching brief for one or more events*
    - *provides a consistent and informed point of contact between TDs and RGC*

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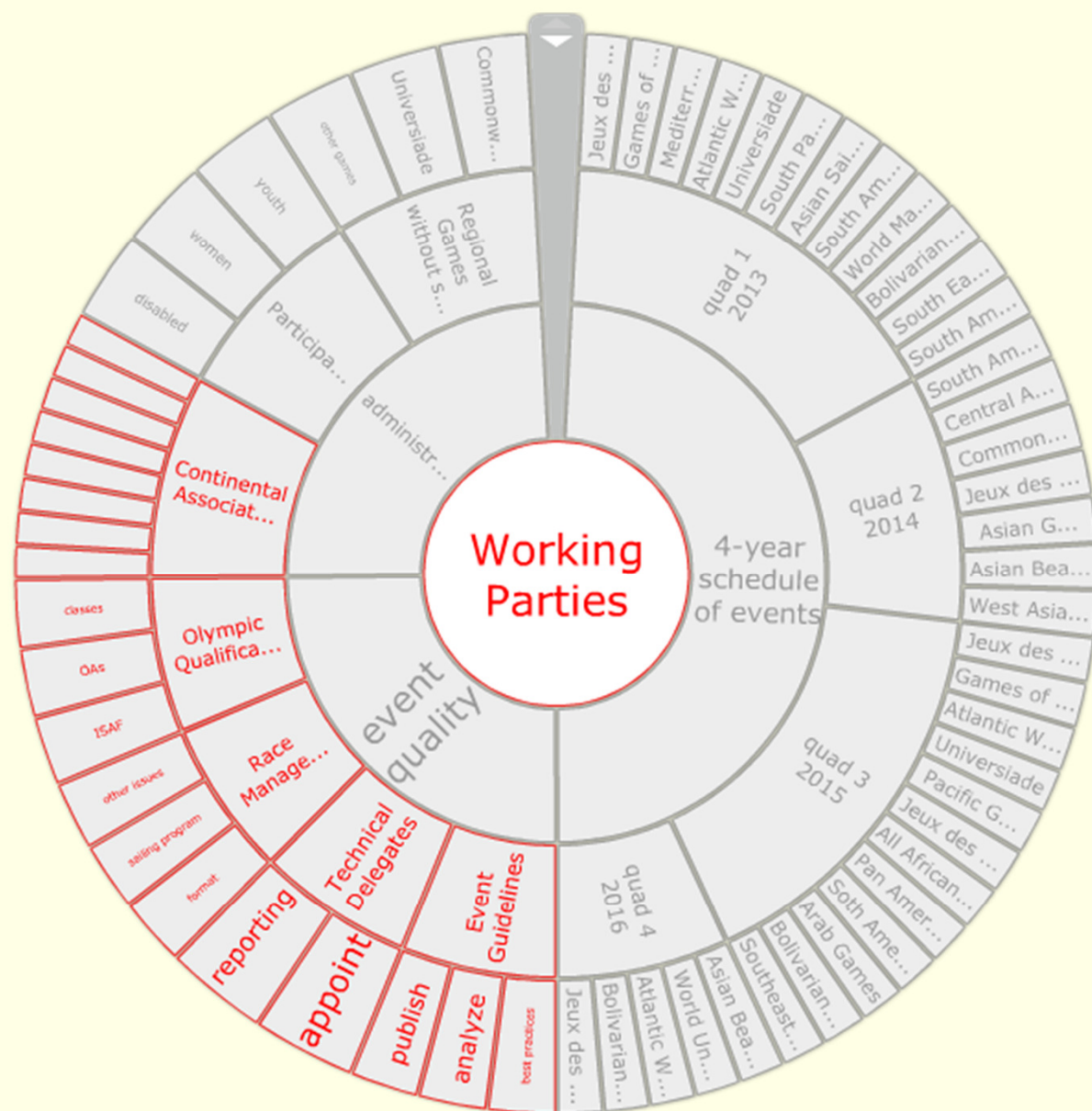
- *Event Guideline*
  - *existing guidelines for other events have been adapted in a new 'manual' for RGs*
  - *RG guideline updated regularly with feedback from OAs, TDs and others*
- *Technical Delegates*
  - *RGC works with OAs, Secretariat, EAWP; ISAF Executive appoints*

# Committee activities

- *Format and program*
  - *encourage experimentation with format and programs, document and evaluate*
- *Olympic qualification*
  - *develop opportunities for the introduction of qualifiers at RGs and continental championships*
- *Continental associations*
  - *create 'resource group' for CAs, identify opportunities for synergy*









# Working Parties

- 1. Guideline for sailing events at Regional Games*
- 2. Technical Delegates: Roles and Responsibilities*
- 3. Race management at Regional Games*
- 4. Olympic qualification at Regional Games*
- 5. Continental Associations*

# Working Parties

## ***WP1 – Event Guideline***

- acknowledge diversity of events and contexts
- clarify role of TDs in interpretation of guideline – recommendations versus requirements
- review/test with TDs and OAs and athletes
- review/test with other ISAF groups
- publish and circulate widely - update regularly
- develop data base of best practices

# Working Parties

## ***WP2 – Technical Delegates***

- clarify and accelerate appointment process
- promote dialogue between TDs and OAs
- improve TD reporting mechanisms – use web, social media?
- simplify methods of evaluation of TDs by OAs
- increase number of women TDs
- develop data base of best practices

# Working Parties

## ***WP3 – Race management at Regional Games***

- encourage experimentation with innovative formats and sailing programs: kites, disabled, stadium, etc
- encourage experimentation with new technologies: tracking, video, etc
- promote regional classes + Olympic classes
- use seminars and clinics to build local expertise and lasting legacy
- work with OAs and TDs to minimize costs
- document and disseminate best practices

# Working Parties

## ***WP4 – Olympic qualification***

- promote the inclusion of Olympic equipment at Regional Games and Regional Sailing Championships (example: 10<sup>th</sup> medal approved for 2015 Pan Ams - 49er FX - 50% of the boats on the water will be Olympic equipment)
- work with ISAF, OAs and Classes to identify opportunities for continental qualifiers at Regional Games and Continental Championships

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## ***WP5 - Continental associations***

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- Caribbean Sailing Association (CSA)

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- Asian Sailing Federation (ASF)  
Malav Shroff, CEO and President-elect
- Central American & Caribbean Sailing Confederation  
Hector Duval, President
- European Sailing Federation (EUROSAF)  
Marco Predieri, President; Panayiotis Kontides, ExCo
- Pan American Sailing Federation (PASAF)  
Liz Filter, ExCo; David Covo, Treasurer

# Working Parties

## ***WP5 - Continental associations***

- seek/create opportunities for synergy, resource sharing, exchange of ideas
- examples: PASAF appeals committee  
seminars/clinics
- promote continental championships
- provide assistance with lobbying at national and regional levels
- develop data base of best practices

## Priorities for 2013 - 2016

- *Make sailing a permanent fixture of the Commonwealth Games*
- *Increase participation of youth in Regional Games*
- *Increase number of women to OA and IOC targets*
- *Work with ISAF professionals and committees to increase the number of women race officials*
- *Increase the number of women TDs: 1 in 3 ?*
- *Develop RGs as models of event/race management*
- *Develop Category 1 Regional Games as Olympic qualifiers for selected classes*

# Regional Games 2013-2016

*Questions?  
Comments?  
Suggestions?*

