2024 Olympic Sailing Competition

Submission: **071-17**

Universality / Innovation

A submission from the Board

Purpose or Objective

To ensure that there are Events at the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition that are Universal and Innovative.

Proposal

- 1. There will be Universal Events for Men and Women that appeal to a large number of nations around the world. The Universal Events should ensure that costs of participation are low equipment costs, development costs, coaching costs, etc. The Equipment selected should be widely available around the world.
- 2. There will be Events that showcase the innovation of Sailing and demonstrate the diversity of the sport. Innovative Events may offer the possibility to introduce new formats to the Olympic Sailing Competition. It should be accepted that Innovative Events will not necessarily appeal to all MNAs.

Current Position

Current Regulation 23.1

Reasons

- 1. The IOC has moved from a Sport based programme to an Event based Programme. It is essential that the Olympic Sailing Competition promotes Universality in the sport as well as showcasing Innovation. See IOC Agenda 2020 Recommendation 10.
- 2. In order to develop participation around the world it is essential to have Universal Events with equipment that is widely spread.
- 3. Sailing has a unique opportunity to add value to the Olympic Games through the selection of innovative events and formats.
- 4. To ensure that at the 2018 Mid-Year meeting this policy is followed to help with the Submission process.
- 5. To help the relevant Committees make their final recommendations on the Events and Equipment selected for the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition.