**Selection of Equipment for Olympic Sailing Competition 2016**

Regulation 16.1.1(d)

A submission from the International Laser Class Association

**Proposal**

That under regulation 16.1.1(d) Council shall select the Laser and Laser Radial International Classes as the equipment for the Men’s one person dinghy and the Women’s one person dinghy at the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition.

**Current Position**

No classes are currently selected as equipment for the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition.

**Reason**

When Council approved regulation 16.1.1(d) we believe it was supported to provide longer term continuity for countries wishing to invest money in equipment that would allow long term planning with the aim of future Olympic participation. With the knowledge that some equipment would be fixed across more than one Olympic cycle such investment would be easier to justify especially if the development could be in equipment that is also used for youth sailing.

It is widely accepted that to achieve good results in the Olympics sailors have start preparation more than 4 years in advance.