2016 Olympic Sailing Competition - Events

A submission from the International Tornado Association

Proposal:
The following unique Events should be represented in the 2016 Olympic Regatta:

- Multihull    Women
- Multihull    Men
- One person dinghy    Women
- One person dinghy    Men
- Two person dinghy    Women
- Two person dinghy    Men
- Windsurfer    Women
- Windsurfer    Men
- Keelboat    Women
- Keelboat    Men

Current Position:
- One person dinghy    Women
- One person dinghy    Men
- One person dinghy (heavy)    Men
- Two person dinghy    Women
- Two person dinghy    Men
- Two person dinghy (high performance)    Men
- Windsurfer    Women
- Windsurfer    Men
- Keelboat (match racing)    Women
- Keelboat    Men

Reason:
The suggested Events in the proposal are unique disciplines that each represent a specific branch of the sport of sailing.

This would bring sailing into line with the convention among a majority of other Olympic sports for equal numbers of events for both genders in all their major disciplines. It would place differing athletic skills ahead of equipment considerations, so better meet IOC objectives and also provide a clear strategy to the choice of Events.

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2008 NOVEMBER CONFERENCE
COUNCIL DECISION – NOVEMBER 2008
Council received Submission 088-08 from the International Tornado Association.
The recommendation from the Events Committee was noted.

Decision
Council deferred Submission 088-08. (31 in favour, 4 against, 1 abstain)

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE REPORTING COMMITTEE
Events Committee
Recommendation to Council: Defer

This proposal is considered to be too prescriptive. The Executive Committee favours submission 82-08 to establish a strategy.

OPINION FROM THE OTHER COMMITTEES
Equipment Committee
Opinion: Defer

Executive Committee
Opinion: Reject
This proposal is considered to be too prescriptive. The Executive Committee favours submission 82-08 to establish a strategy.

Women’s Sailing Committee
Opinion: No Recommendation
The Women’s Sailing Committee supports the intent of the submission to review the events. However, given the view that there needs to be freedom to review the overall strategy on Olympic events and equipment, without constraint, that this submission, together with submissions 085-08, 086-08, 087-08, 088-08 and 089-08 be considered by the Olympic Advisory Commission proposed in Submission 082-08.

Constitution Committee
Opinion: No Recommendation
The Constitution Committee has not considered the wording of the following submissions as Council needs to decide the policy and the Constitution Committee will then draft the appropriate Regulations:
084-08, 085-08, 086-08, 087-08, 088-08, 089-08
However, the Constitution Committee would like Council to note the following comment on these submissions:

- The event descriptions should reflect the current ISAF event terms, i.e., one person dinghy, rather than single-handed dinghy.