Multihull in the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition

A submission from South African Sailing

Proposal

To include the multihull discipline in the 2016 Olympic Games.

Current Position

Men
Windsurfer
One person dinghy
One person dinghy – heavy
Two person dinghy
Two person dinghy high performance
Keelboat

Women
Windsurfer
One person dinghy
Two person dinghy
Keelboat Match Racing

Reason

The unexpected effect of the decision made in November 2007 is that Multihull discipline disappears from the sailing events of the 2012 Olympic Regatta.

Sailing’s TV coverage won ‘The Best Sports Coverage by the Host Broadcaster’ across all sports at the 2008 Olympic Games - a fantastic achievement. The footage that was used in the submission to the selection panel was the Multihull medal race. So in the opinion of the IOC, the best coverage across all sports over all days was the multihull medal race. Onboard cameras, 3D graphics, athleticism by the athletes, all captured and packaged in a tight, short, action packed race.