# Athlete Commission Minutes

The Athlete Commission met at 14:30 – 18:00 hours on Friday 5 November at the Divani Caravel Hotel, Athens, Greece

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### Present:

- Ben Barger - Chairman
- Olga Maslivets
- Malcolm – Vice-Chairman
- Mark Reynolds
- Marcelien Bos de Koning

### Apologies:

- Laura Baldwin
- Rasmus Myrgren
- Peter Kruger-Anderson
- Dan Slater
- Claire Leroy

## 1. Welcome & Introduction

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the first Athlete Commission meeting which is being held at the Annual Conference in Athens.

## 2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

### Minutes

(a) The Commission noted the minutes of the Athlete Commission meeting held on 29 and 30 September 2009 at the ISAF Secretariat in Southampton.

(b) Minutes Matters Arising

There were no other matters arising not covered elsewhere on this agenda.

## 3. ISAF Secretariat Updates

(a) Competition and Events - The Commission received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager.

(b) Marketing and Media - The Commission received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager.

(c) Technical and Offshore - The Commission received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager.

(d) Training and Development - The Commission received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager.

(e) Administration - The Commission received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager.
4. **ISAF Events**
   
   (a) **ISAF Sailing World Cup**
   The Commission received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager on the ISAF Sailing World Cup.
   
   i) The Commission received a verbal report from the ISAF Events Manager, including updates on fleet sizes in 2009/2010, event presentation, and standardisation of documents and processes.
   
   ii) The Commission noted the 2010/2011 Scoring System
   
   iii) The Commission noted the identification of ISAF approved PROs, Jury Chairs and Chief Umpires for the 2010/2011 events.
   
   (b) **2011 ISAF Sailing World Championships**
   The ISAF Events Manager passed on his apologies to the Olympic Classes Subcommittee as the Perth 2010 Event Director could not attend the Annual Conference due to the Perth International Regatta starting shortly.
   
   The Commission received a verbal report from the ISAF Events Manager. It was noted that the Perth International Regatta (PIR) was being held from 16-21 November and that the 2011 ISAF Worlds Management Team (Charley Cook – Principle Race Officer, Bernard Bonneau – Jury Chairman, Dick Batt – Measurement Chairman, Alastair Fox – ISAF Events Manager) would all be at the regatta. In addition Tim Sewell – ISAF Head of Marketing, Events & Training Department would also be attending the PIR and meeting with APP, the TV production company appointed to cover the Perth 2011 ISAF Worlds. It was also noted that Swiss Timing had been appointed to deliver the timing and scoring package for the Perth 2011 ISAF Worlds and that they would be testing their tracking system and results database at the PIR. The ISAF Events Manager stressed the importance of ISAF working with Swiss Timing for major ISAF Events as well as the Olympics.
   
   The ISAF Events Manager advised that ISAF would confirm the entry fees and Class fees for the Perth 2011 ISAF Worlds following the Perth International Regatta.
   
   (c) **2014 ISAF Sailing World Championships**
   The Commission received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager on the 2014 ISAF Sailing World Championships. It was confirmed that ISAF has received 8 preliminary bids from the following cities:
   
   Aarhus, Denmark
   
   Buenos Aires, Argentina
   
   Busan, Korea
   
   Kingston, Canada
   
   Pomerania, Poland
   
   Qingdao, China
   
   Santander, Spain
   
   The Hague, The Netherlands
   
   It was noted that the final bid deadline is 1 December 2010 and that the final decision for the host of the 2014 ISAF Worlds would be made in February 2011 by the Executive Committee.
5. **IOC Events**

(a) **2010 Youth Olympic Games**

The Commission received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager on the 2010 Youth Olympic Games.

The Commission received a report from the ISAF Events Manager (Technical Delegate) highlighting the success of the event, with 75 nations taking part in the continental qualification events, 60 nations taking part in the Games themselves and 11 different nations sharing the medals.

(b) **2012 Olympic Sailing Competition**

The Commission received a verbal report from the ISAF Events Manager.

It was noted that a Documents Working Group had been set up to work on the NoR, SIs and other related documents for both the 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition and the 2011 Test Event. The Group consists of:

- John Doerr – International Judge
- Jan Stage – International Umpire
- Dimitris Dimou – International Measurer
- Rod Carr – LOCOG Field of Play Manager
- Alastair Fox – ISAF Events Manager
- Jason Smithwick – ISAF Head of Technical & Offshore

It was noted that the 2011 Test Event Notice of Race would be published in early December.

Following the decisions of the Events Committee 2010 Mid Year Meeting The ISAF Events Manager (Technical Delegate) confirmed that the requested small increase of quota size from the 49er Class (25) and the RS: X Class (42) had been approved by ISAF and LOCOG.

Swiss Timing confirmed that they would track all boats at the Olympic Sailing Competition and provide an automatic scoring system. The ISAF Events Manager stated Swiss Timing would be interested in carrying out testing on each class.

(c) **2016 Olympic Sailing Competition**

The Commission received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager on the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition.

6. **Olympic Commission**

(a) The Commission noted the Olympic Commission Report & the November Update.

The Committee received a presentation from the Chairman of the Olympic Commission highlighting the Commission's activities since the May meeting, and summarising the changes, clarifications and other recommendations in the Commission's supplementary November report which can be found at:


The main May report can also be downloaded from:


The Commission considered the following submissions and made recommendations to
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the Executive Committee.


Recommendation to the Executive Committee: Approve

ii) The Commission considered submission 097-10 from the Executive Committee based on the recommendation of the Olympic Commission about Event and Equipment Decisions for the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition – Provisional Decisions – Subject to Confirmation or Amendment in May 2011.

Recommendation to the Executive Committee: No recommendation (the members of the Commission had different opinions

iii) The Commission considered submission 109-10 from the Executive Committee based on the recommendation of the Olympic Commission about the ISAF Sailing World Cup – New Regulation 17.3 – ISAF Sailing World Cup

Recommendation to the Executive Committee: Approve

iv) The Commission considered submission 112-10 from the Executive Committee based on the recommendation of the Olympic Commission about the Class World Championships for Olympic Classes – Limitation on World Championships for Olympic Classes.

Recommendation to the Executive Committee: No recommendation (the members of the Commission had different opinions

v) The Commission considered submission 106-10 from the Executive Committee based on the recommendation of the Olympic Commission about ISAF Sailing World Championships – ISAF Sailing World Championships as Olympic Qualifier.

Recommendation to the Executive Committee: Approve

7. **Anti Doping**

The Commission received an update from the ISAF Events Manager.

8. **Athletes Commission Topic Groups**

The Commission discussed specific roles for the Commission members.

9. **Submissions**

The Commission had no recommendations not based on submissions for the Executive Committee.

10. **Athlete’s Questionnaire**

The Commission discussed the possibility of a new athlete’s questionnaire.

11. **Communication**

(a) To discuss the Athlete’s Commission website [www.sailorvoice.org](http://www.sailorvoice.org). Did not have time to discuss.

(b) To discuss the Athlete’s Commission Forum [www.sailing.org/forum](http://www.sailing.org/forum). Did not have time to discuss.
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(c) Communication with Olympics Sailors
   The Commission highlighted the need for better communication between sailors, the Commission and ISAF.

12. Any Other Business
   There being no further business the meeting was closed