The Women’s Forum met at 16:00 – 20:00 hours on Sunday 7 November 2010 at the Divani Caravel Hotel, Athens, Greece

Present:
Fiona Kidd - Chairman
Teresa Lara – Vice-President
Helen Mary Wilkes
Anna Andreadis
Tatjana Antonic
Corinne Aulnette
Liz Baylis
Sofia Bekatorou
Carolijn Brouwer
Jane Correia
Yana Dobzhitskaya
Janet Grosvenor
Josje Hofland-Dominicus
Eva Homsten
Hyo-Kyung Jang
Ewa Jodlowska
Sarah Kenny
Dina Kowalshyn
Maja Lesny
Annie Lush
Cathy Mac Aleavey
Renee Mehl
Shuxia Meng
Elena Papazoglou
Magriet Pannevis
Jennifer Morgan ~Glass
Elena Papazoglou
Margriet Pannevis
Lotte Meldgaard Pedersen
Corinne Rolland-McKenzie
Ana Sanchez del Campo Ferrer
Cory Sertl
Luissa Smith
Nadine Stegenwalner
Dorith Stierler
Sofia Truchanowicz
Sylvia Vogl
Iskra Yovkova
Suzanne Ward

Apologies:
Nazli Imre – Vice-President
Laura Baldwin
Sally Burnett
Jan Dawson
Marcelien de Koning
Barbara Farquhar
Amelie Lux
Marianne Middelthon
Jane Moon
Esperanza Perez Crespo
Alessandra Sensini
Sacha Simmons

Absent:
A Lynne Beal
Adrienne Cahalan
Nilufer Cakmakli
Elena Dimitrakopoulou
Agnieszka Gruska
Aslihan Kutlu
Krystyna Lastowska
Olga Maslivets
Cath MacAleavey
Maria Munoz Miranda
Maria Torrijo Moll
Carmen Vaz Pardal
1. **Welcome & Introductions**

   The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the Women’s Forum meeting in Athens. The Chairman asked each member to introduce themselves to the rest of the Forum and the role(s) they have in ISAF.

2. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

   (a) **Minutes**

   The Committee noted the minutes of the Women’s Forum meeting of Saturday 8 November 2009. The minutes can be downloaded at www.sailing.org/meetings.

   (b) **Minutes Matters Arising**

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

3. **Reports on Women’s Issues on ISAF Committees**

   (a) The Forum received a verbal report from the Chairman of the Women’s Forum.

   (b) The Forum received verbal reports from the following members on each of the ISAF Committees and Commissions:

   - Teresa Lara – Executive Committee
   - Helen Mary Wilkes – ISAF Classes Committee
   - Lotte Pederson – Match Racing Committee
   - Carolijn Brouwer – Events Committee
   - Anna Andreadis – Regional Games Committee
   - Josje Hofland-Dominicus – Race Officials Committee
   - Sofia Truchanowicz – Racing Rules Committee
   - Dina Kowalyshyn – Equipment Committee
   - Janet Grosvenor – Oceanic and Offshore Committee
   - Susanne Ward – Development and Youth Committee
   - Kristin Boese – Windsurfing Committee

4. **ISAF Events**

   (a) **ISAF Women’s Match Racing World Championship**

   i) The Forum received a verbal report from Lotte, Meldgaard Pedersen on the 2010 ISAF Women’s Match Racing World Championship, Newport, Rhode Island, USA – 22 – 25 September.

   (b) **ISAF Youth World Championships**

   i) The Forum received a verbal report from the Chairman on girl’s participation and results from the VOLVO Youth Sailing ISAF World Championships, Istanbul, Turkey – 8 – 17 July 2010.
(c) ISAF Sailing World Cup

i) The Chairman introduced Tim Sewell, Head of Marketing, Events and Training Department to the Forum. Tim introduced himself and gave a progress report on the ISAF Sailing World Cup together with an updated progress report on Media and Marketing at the ISAF Secretariat, in particular the website, media and branding that they are responsible for managing.

(d) 2010 Youth Olympics Games

i) The Forum received a verbal report from the Chairman on the Youth Olympic Games, Singapore – 14 – 26 August 2010. It was a fantastic event and the sailor's, coaches and the IOC were impressed how well it was organized and the success of the event. It was an amazing experience for the sailors and everyone involved. Two women had key roles in the event, Ana Maria Sanchez del Campo Ferrer (ESP), a member of the Women’s Forum was the Chair of the Jury and Marina Psichogiou (GRE), was the Course Representative of the One Person Dinghy Event (BYTE CII).

The Youth Olympic Games will definitely have an impact of the future development of the sport for 14 – 16 year old sailors. The goals for the Youth Olympic Games sailing competition was to maximize universality and have equal numbers of both genders in each of the One Person Dinghy Event (BYTE CII) and the Windsurfer (Techno 293). Both of these goals were achieved as there were 60 nations and 50 boys and 50 girls.

5. Deferred Submission

There was no discussion on the deferred submissions from 2008 as they are related to the outcome of the Olympic Commission report and the voting on the new regulations set forth in 96 and 97.

The recommendations for the Women’s Sailing Committee still stand.

(a) Submission 084-08

Deferred submission 084-08 from Fédération Francaise de Voile about Regulation 16.1.5 – 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition – Events and make a recommendation to Council.

Note: The Women’s Sailing decision in November 2008: 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, 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.

(b) Submission 085-08

Deferred submission 085-08 from International Formula 18 Class Association about Permanent Events – Olympic Sailing Competition – Equipment and make a recommendation to Council.

Note: The Women’s Sailing decision in November 2008: No Recommendation.

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086-08, 087-08, 088-08 and 089-08 be considered by the Olympic Advisory Commission proposed in Submission 082-08.

(c) Submission 086-08
Deferred submission 086-08 from International Dart Class 18 Class Association – Permanent Events – Olympic Sailing Competition – Events and make a recommendation to Council.
Note: The Women’s Sailing decision in November 2008: 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, 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

(d) Submission 087-08
Note: The Women’s Sailing decision in November 2008: No Recommendation.

(e) Submission 088-08
Deferred submission 088-08 from International Tornado Association about 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition – Events and make a recommendation to Council.
Note: The Women’s Sailing decision in November 2008: No Recommendation.
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, 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

6. Submissions
(a) Following the presentation from Coryl Sertl on the Olympic Commission report there was considerable discussion on the merits of mixed sailing in the Olympics as it pertains to 2 possible events under consideration in Submission 097-10. There was input from members of the multihull community as well as the 470 class as these 2 classes or disciplines were being considered for mixed sailing as part of the slate of events for 2016. There was concern in the International 470 Class that a mixed event would really mean that the helm would be a women and the men would be crew due to the nature of the boat. The multihull sailors felt that mixed sailing could result in women either helming or crewing.

A vote of hands was taken at the end of the discussion regarding mixed sailing. Among those members that were still present, it was strongly supported. However, it was noted that it was not an official vote as many of the members were not present.

7. Olympic Commission Report
(a) On behalf of the Olympic Commission, Cory Sertl, Representative from the Olympic Commission gave an excellent presentation on the Olympic Commission report so as to initiate the discussion on 096-10 and 09710.

8. Women in Media
The women’s section of the ISAF Women’s Party is outdated and in need of being revamped. The Chairman asked if anyone would be interested in being involved in a Working Party to work on the content and design of the women’s section of the ISAF website that is scheduled to be re-done in 2011. Anyone interested is to contact either the Chairman or Pauline following the meeting and/or conference.

9. **IWG Conference**

The Forum received an excellent verbal report from Sarah Kenny who attended the IWG World Conference on Women and Sport in Sydney, Australia, 20 – 23 May 2010. The theme of the Conference was Women: Play, Think, Change. Sarah agreed to circulate her report on one of the themes of the conference on how to increase media for women in sport, to the members of the Forum following the conference. The next Forum will be held in Finland 2014. The Chairman thanked Sarah for attending the conference on behalf of the Women’s Forum and for her excellent report.

10. **2011 – 2012 IOC Women and Sports Award**

(a) The Forum noted the nomination received from Yachting New Zealand of Leslie Egnot, who’s name has been passed to the Executive Committee for approval for the 2011 IOC Women & Sports Awards for 2010.

(b) The Forum agreed to look at the nomination for the 2012 IOC Women & Sports Award in the early part of 2011. The Chairman reminded each member to encourage their MNA to make a suitable candidate for this very important award. The process of finding suitable candidates for the 2012 IOC Women & Sports Award is to begin in the beginning of 2011.

11. **Recommendations**

There were no recommendation to Council.

12. **Annual Report**

As the Chairman does not report to the ISAF Council meeting November 2010 on the activities of the Women’s Forum for the period 1 January 2010 to date there was nothing to discuss.

13. **Any Other Business**

Kristin Boese (GER) – Nine time Kitesurfing World Champion was invited to attend the forum. She gave an excellent presentation on the grassroots Kiteboarding program KB4girls that is aimed at introducing girls and women to the sport of Kiteboarding. It involved giving clinics as well as organizing fundraising initiatives to social causes. The presentation was well received by the members of the Forum. The Chairman thanked Kristin for taking the time to come to Athens a day early, as she was a nominee for the 2010 ISAF Women Sailor of the Year Award and for representing this exciting and successful program on promoting Kiteboarding to new sailors/boarders.