2016 Olympic Sailing Competition

Submission: M26-11

Events and Equipment

A submission from the International Speed Windsurfing Class and the International Kiteboarding Association

Purpose or Objective

To amend the provisional slate of the Olympic Events as stated in 23.1.4

Proposal

Men's Board or Kite Board Mixed Windsurfing - Evaluation Women's Board or Kite Board Mixed Kiteboarding - Evaluation Men's 1P Dinghy - Laser Women's 1P Dinghy - Laser Radial Men's 2nd 1P Dinghy - Finn Men's Skiff - 49er Women's Skiff - Evaluation Women's Keelboat - Elliott 6m Mixed Multihull - Evaluation Mixed 2P Dinghy (Spinnaker) - 470

Current Position

Men's board or kite board – Evaluation Women's board or kite board – Evaluation Men's one person dinghy – Laser Women's one person dinghy – Laser Radial Men's 2nd one person dinghy – Finn Men's skiff – 49er Women's skiff – Evaluation Women's keelboat – Elliott 6m Mixed multihull – Evaluation Mixed two person dinghy (spinnaker) – 470

Reasons

International Speed Windsurfing Class

The submission addresses the discussion on Events Committee and Council regarding the meaning of "or" during the 2010 annual conference as far as the participation of both disciplines, which the IOC recognizes as distinct and different, is ensured.

However, separating the two available board medals by discipline instead of gender seems to be more practical as it reduces costs to MNAs and event organizers and supports the integrity of both sports.

This solution allows the IOC to consider the option of introducing gender medals in both windsurfing and kiteboarding by granting ISAF additional medals for the new discipline of kiteboarding.

International Kiteboarding Association

- 1. The IOC recognises that Windsurfing and Kiteboarding are two distinct and different disciplines, and should both be represented in the Olympic Regatta.
- 2. Mixed events would allow MNA's to add kiteboarding to their existing activities without forcing windsurfers to become kiteboarders and vice versa.
- 3. This solution offers the most advance levels of the very popular, highest speed and lowest cost kinds of sailing and brings diversity to the Olympic family.
- 4. This solution allows the IOC to consider the option of introducing gender medals in both disciplines by granting ISAF additional medals for the new discipline of kiteboarding.