World Sailing Youth Games

Submission: 035-20

Replacement for Postponed Youth Olympic Games

A submission from the International Formula Kite Class Association and the Chairman of the World Sailing Classes Committee

Purpose or Objective

To establish as a Policy Decision of Council to promote sailing and give a whole generation of youth sailors a goal to work for.

Proposal

A new World Sailing Policy as per Regulation 68(a) to be published in a conspicuous place;

World Sailing shall hold an event in the second half of 2022 as a replacement for the postponed 2022 Youth Olympic Games. Quotas and qualification system shall follow the same principles as originally intended for the 2022 Youth Olympic Games.

Current Position

The Dakar Youth Olympic Games have been postponed to 2026.

Reasons

- 1. The fact that there will be no Youth Olympic Games in 2022, means that the generation of young sailors born between 2004 and 2007 are left without a pinnacle event.
- 2. The selected classes can run the qualification events within their scheduled championships.
- 3. There is a number of venues which could host such an event in the late summer or early autumn of 2022, same time that the 2022 Dakar Youth Olympic Games were scheduled to take place.
- 4. Such an event would promote youth sailing and give teams a goal to work towards in difficult times.
- 5. The World Sailing Classes Committee will take on a leading or supporting role in promoting and organizing this event, as required.