

The Development and Regions Committee met between 09:30 and 16:45 hours on Friday 17 November 2023, at the NH Hotel, Malaga, Spain.

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Present:

Pinar Coşkuner Genç (TUR) – Chair
 Irina Perez (DOM) – Vice Chair
 Stratis Andreadis (GRE)
 Mirco Babini (ITA)
 David Covo (CAN)
 Ion Echave (ESP)
 Ana Jansa Gamulin (SLO)

Charles Glover (GBR)
 Smadar Pintov (ISR)
 Ed Russo (FRA)
 Sachiko Sault (JPN)
 Malav Shroff (IND)
 Maciej Szafran (POL)

Also in Attendance:

Quanhai Li (CHN) - President

Cory Sertl (USA) – Vice President

Özlem Akdurak (TUR) – Vice President

David Graham (CEO)

Catherine Duncan (Training and Development Executive)

Hannah Stodel (Para World Sailing Manager)

Beatriz Gonzalez Luna (MEX) – Chair, Regional Games Sub-Committee

Joined the meeting Online:

Penny McIntyre (BAR)
 Alberto Dana (MEX)

Hocine Lali (ALG)
 Inga Jakobsone (LAT)

Apologies for Absence:

Raynor Haagh (NZL)

1. Opening of the Meeting

- (a) Welcome from the Chair & Vice-Chair

Pinar welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Irina also thanked the group for their efforts to continue to grow the sport, as well as encouraging MNA's to engage with the committee and World Sailing, to continue development.

- (b) Welcome from World Sailing Vice-Presidents

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Özlem welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the chair and committee members for the continued support and work throughout the year. Özlem provided a short update from the board on their recent activities.

Cory also thanked Pinar, Irina and the committee for their work and all the effort to create good communication between the groups.

(c) **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were noted for Raynor Haagh. Other apologies were received from Penny McIntyre, Hocine Lali, Alberto Dana and Inga Jakobsone, although they hoped to be able to join online for periods of the meeting.

(d) **Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

No new conflicts of interest were noted.

2. **Minutes**

(a) The minutes of the meeting of Tuesday 25 October were unanimously approved by all committee members.

(b) **Matters arising from the Minutes**

There were no matters arising from the minutes to be noted.

3. **Chair's Annual Report**

Pinar spoke to her written report that was also shared with the committee. Pinar's report highlighted the success of the Emerging Nations Program at the 2023 Sailing World Championships alongside the Steering the Course activities across the year. The Steering the Course programme ran Race Management Clinics for the first time, training the first women Race Management Instructors. Feedback from these events have been extremely positive.

Pinar also thanked Irina and the committee members for translating the World Sailing Resources and urged others to help translate the materials further.

Pinar also reminded the MNA's in the room to continue to apply for programmes both with World Sailing and through Olympic Solidarity funding with their National Olympic Committee.

4. **General Business: Participation and Development Department**

Catherine began by introducing the work of the department since the last meeting, beginning with the training of the new Coach Developers. 11 Coach Developers have been trained to help deliver World Sailing Programs. Discussion included how the group has developed since the training and how future work will look, with regards to ensuring the content is consistent across courses.

The presentation then firstly covered Olympic Solidarity funded programmes including Technical Courses for Coaches, including an overview of the courses run and the numbers of coaches trained this year. Highlights included training more women coaches and men for the first time, as well as delivering courses in Spanish. This also included the overview of the translation of the resources into 4 languages and the finalisation of the videos to support the level 1 course.

The presentation then covered the 2023 World Sailing Scholarship, Women in Sports High Performance Pathway (WISH) Program, and the three active Development of a National Sport System programs, in Slovakia, St Vincent and the Grenadines and Sudan.

Moving on to the World Sailing funded programs, the presentation included the Senior Emerging Nations program report from the Hague and looking towards continental qualification events for Paris 2024. Following this the updated Emerging Nations definition was discussed alongside the plans for the Youth ENP in 2023 & 2024.

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The 470 class spoke to the work the class is doing to support double handed boats. Discussion then looked to the future program and which classes to include. Feedback from the committee noted this would need to be carefully considered so as not to dilute the energy of the program.

Support from Semaine Olympique Francaise was also offered for the media promotion of the ENP sailors at the event.

Final discussions included World Sailing funded Steering the Course initiative, and the race management and coaching courses funded through this program, as well as the newly developed Inclusive Development Program and the two successful workshops in Singapore and Italy.

5. Working Party Activity Reports

(a) Inspiration and Participation WP

Maciej Szafran presented the research from the working party about Learn to Sail Programs from different continents, countries, and regions. The research had 25 responses and presented a range of discussion points.

Future work will look to share worldwide best examples of the programmes and also proposed starting Development Webinars to share this information.

(b) Leadership WP

Pinar spoke to the presentations supplied by Alberto on the work of the party throughout the year.

(c) Pathways WP

The committee voted to close the Pathways Working Party.

(d) Continental & Regional Collaboration WP

David Covo presented on the work of the group following last year's meeting including the revised regional priorities and opportunities for collaboration for the group following the new Continental Association Commission meeting.

(e) Joint WP – Development and Regions Committee and Youth Events Sub-Committee

Charles Glover updated on the committee on the work of the working party as well as the future event strategy.

The report concluded with the focus of the group looking to the 'Impact on Youth Sailing', covering 4 key topics: Rockstars, Reach, Innovation and Legacy.

Malav Shroff commented on the importance of looking into the suitability of Youth Equipment to avoid injuries in young athletes.

(f) Other discussion focused around reviewing the 2019-2024 Development Strategy and if a working party should be formed to look at this in detail. It was decided there would not be a new working party formed but all Working Parties should focus on strategy and feed this back into the monthly meetings.

6. Report from Regional Games Sub-Committee

Beatriz Gonzalez Luna, Chair of the Regional-Games Sub-Committee, reported on the work of the sub-committee. This included the games that had taken place since October 2022, including the Junior Pan American Games and the important role they played in development, as well as the Introduction of the ITD Working party and a pathway for how to become an ITD.

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Discussion also noted that Regional Games can often be the key to unlocking development support for MNA's.

7. Governance Reform & Growth of Sailing Committee

Discuss amongst the committee spoke to the Terms of Reference for the Growth of Sailing Committee.

8. World Sailing Training Scholarship

Catherine spoke to the paper shared with the committee prior to the meeting, outlining the history of the scholarship and how the programme is currently operating. The discussion outlined how the programme currently covers a vast array of topics, alongside the challenges with operating for 7 weeks. It was spoken about how this impacts the attracting attendees to the course. The committee agreed to review the operations moving forward, being discussed in the monthly meetings.

9. World Sailing Development Symposium

The 2023 Symposium was due to be held in Africa, however, was postponed due to conflicting calendars. The proposal for 2024 is to hold two symposiums, one in Africa and one in North American & Caribbean as scheduled.

For the symposium in Africa, it was suggested to explore hosting the event around a large event in the region, to help maximise attendance. The office will review the options here including the IODA African Championships.

For the North America & the Caribbean, Irina noted interest from the Dominican Republic in hosting the event.

The Symposium guidelines and bid document will be shared to all North American & Caribbean MNAs so they can apply to host.

10. Any Other Business

Pinar encouraged the committee to check the Participation & Development section of the World Sailing website and note if there was any information they would like adding or they think could be amended.

From the work of the Inspiration & Participation working party, a series of winter webinars was proposed, following the framework of the Sustainability Sessions. In the monthly meetings, the first 3 webinars will be proposed.

The date and time of the December meeting will be 12th December at 1200 UTC.

11. Closed Session – Coach Developer Update

An update on the training and skills development of the 11 Coach Developers was shared with the committee. Discussion spoke to how future work will integrate IDP coaching into the framework.

The Meeting closed at 16:48 hrs.