

Council Agenda item 6h
For Information

World Sailing Independent Bodies

1. Introduction

As part of the Governance Reforms, under the new Constitution we have several new Independent Bodies.

1. Nominations Panel (5 persons)
2. Investigations Panel (at least 3 persons)
3. Disciplinary Tribunal (at least 7 persons)
4. Ombudsman (one person)

These Independent Bodies replace the Judicial Board and the Disciplinary Investigating Officer as per the previous governance structure.

2. Nominations Panel

The Board has agreed the Board representatives would be Josep Pla, Cory Sertl and the President.

The 5 Independent Persons appointed to the Nominations Panel by the Board are:

- Chair: Diego Esteban, Male from Spain, Europe
- Vicky Lowe, Female from GBR, Europe
- Norma Olivia Gonzalez Guerrero Female from Mexico Central and South America
- Weidong Wang, Male from China, Asia
- El Arabi El Jamali, Male from Morocco, Africa.

3. Recruitment

The Nominations Panel will agree the role description and adverts for the other Independent Bodies. The posts will be advertised and the Nominations Panel will make their selections and recommend accordingly to the membership. The Board will decide whether this recommendation will be by written resolution or by calling an Extraordinary General Meeting.

The Constitution defines Independent as:

- (a) has not held any position (other than an Independent position) within the Federation or any Member within the three years prior to first appointment;*
- (b) does not have any close connection or relationship with a director or Employee of the Federation; and,*
- (c) from the perspective of an objective outsider, would be viewed as independent.*

The Council, Members and other World Sailing stakeholders will be advised when the posts are advertised.

4. Recommendation

- a. The Council is requested to note the report

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