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Twenty-six International Federations submit applications for inclusion as additional events in the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games

Tokyo, 12 June 2015 – The Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee has received applications from 26 IOC-recognised International Federations (IFs) proposing events to be considered for inclusion at the Games of the XXXII Olympiad (Tokyo 2020). The applicant IFs were revealed at a press conference following a Tokyo 2020 Executive Board meeting today.

The application process for additional event(s) to be included at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games was opened on 8 May 2015, and the IOC-recognised IFs were required to return completed applications by 8 June 2015.

The Tokyo 2020 Additional Event Programme Panel will now examine each application and a shortlist will be announced on 22 June 2015. The second phase of the application process will then commence.

Review of the applications will be based on the following key principles:

- The additional event(s) will serve as a driving force to promote the Olympic Movement and its values, with a focus on youth appeal
- The additional event(s) will add value to the Games by engaging the Japanese population and new audiences worldwide, reflecting the Tokyo 2020 Games vision
- The selection procedure will be open and fair

Phase II will include the submission of further details from the shortlisted IFs and a presentation to the Additional Event Programme Panel will take place in Tokyo. The Additional Event Programme Panel will propose its recommendations to the Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee, which will make a final decision on the successful event(s) to be proposed to the IOC. The final decision, in line with the Olympic Charter, will be made by the 129th IOC Session in Rio in August 2016.
NOTE TO EDITORS:

Applicant IFs (sports alphabetical order)

1. World Air Sports Federation - FAI
2. International Federation of American Football - IFAF
3. World Baseball Softball Confederation - WBSC
4. World Confederation of Billiards Sports - WCBS
5. Bowls Sports World Confederation - CMSB
6. World Bowling - WB
7. World Bridge Federation - WBF
8. World Chess Federation - FIDE
9. World DanceSport Federation - WDSF
10. International Floorball Federation - IFF
11. World Flying Disc Federation - WFDF
12. World Karate Federation - WKF
13. International Korfball Federation - IKF
15. International Orienteering Federation - IOF
16. Federation of International Polo - FIP
17. International Racquetball Federation - IRF
18. International Roller Sports Federation - FIRS
19. International Federation of Sport Climbing - IFSC
20. World Squash Federation - WSF
21. International Sumo Federation - IFS
22. International Surfing Association - ISA
23. Tug of War International Federation - TWIF
24. World Underwater Federation - CMAS
25. International Waterski & Wakeboard Federation - IWWF
26. International Wushu Federation - IWUF

Application timeline:

Phase I
8 May 2015 Application forms sent to all IOC-recognised IFs
8 June 2015 Closing date for submission of completed applications
22 June 2015 Shortlist announcement – shortlisted IFs will be requested to submit further details

Phase II
22 July 2015 Closing date for submission of further details
Early August 2015 Presentations in Tokyo
30 September 2015 Deadline for Tokyo 2020 to submit its final proposal to the IOC
Composition of the Tokyo 2020 Additional Event Programme Panel:

Members (alphabetical order)
- Tsuyoshi AKIYAMA, Vice Governor of Tokyo
- Tsuyoshi AOKI, Vice President & Secretary General, Japanese Olympic Committee
- Tomiaki FUKUDA, President, Japan Wrestling Federation
- Fujio MITARAI (Chair of the Panel), Honorary Chairman, Japan Business Federation (Keidanren)
- Toshiro MUTO (Vice Chair of the Panel), CEO, Tokyo 2020
- Joichi OKAZAKI, Executive Managing Director, Japan Sports Association
- Atsuko TOYAMA, Former Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology

Observers (alphabetical order)
- Kimito KUBO, Director General, Sports and Youth Bureau, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)
- Koji MUROFUSHI, Sports Director, Tokyo 2020
- Naoko TAKAHASHI, Executive Board Member, Japanese Olympic Committee

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- “Striving for your personal best (Achieving Personal Best)”
- “Accepting one another (Unity in Diversity)”
- “Passing on Legacy for the future (Connecting to Tomorrow)”

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