



# FAI in the Olympic Movement

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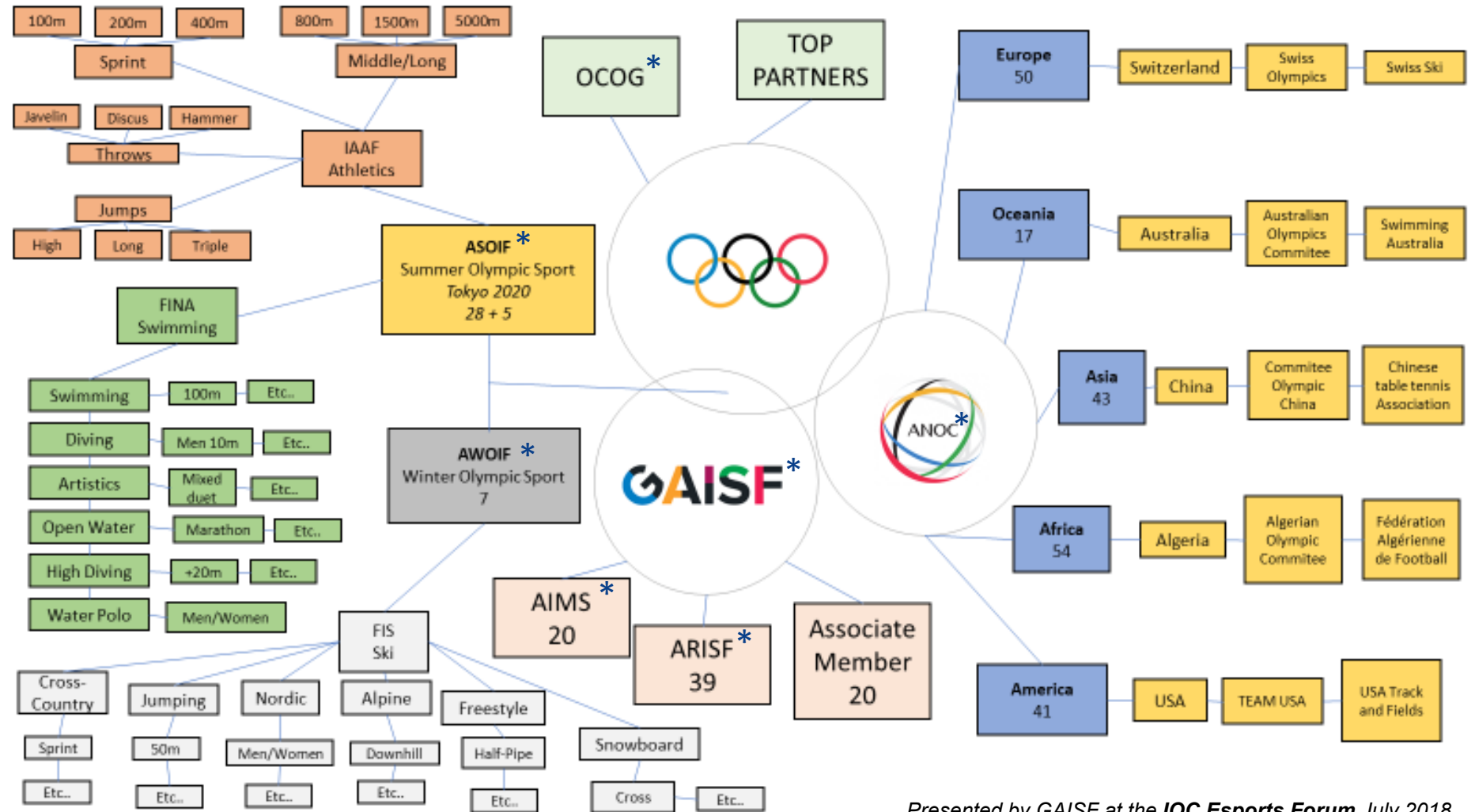
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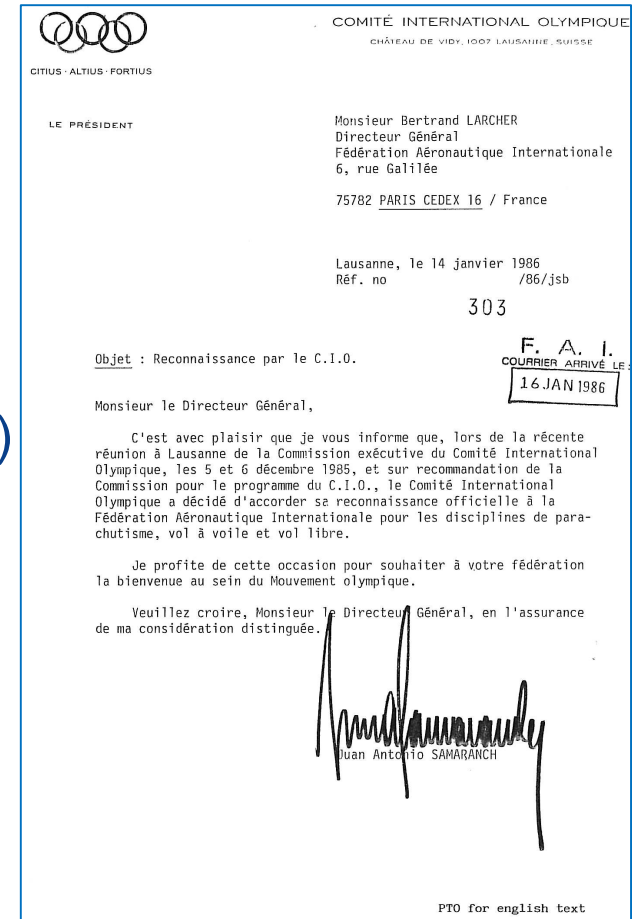
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## 1. LANDSCAPE OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTS

### Step by step explanation:

- FAI was founded in 1905 on recommendation of the Olympic Congress. Since then, there has been a regular contact between IOC and FAI.
- The status of “IOC recognised IF” was achieved in 1986 (see letter).
- FAI committed to follow the Olympic Charter (including Antidoping measures).
- As a consequence, many FAI Members (NACs) receive(d) recognition from/or affiliation with their NOCs.
- FAI is not an Olympic Federation (like Swimming or Skiing).



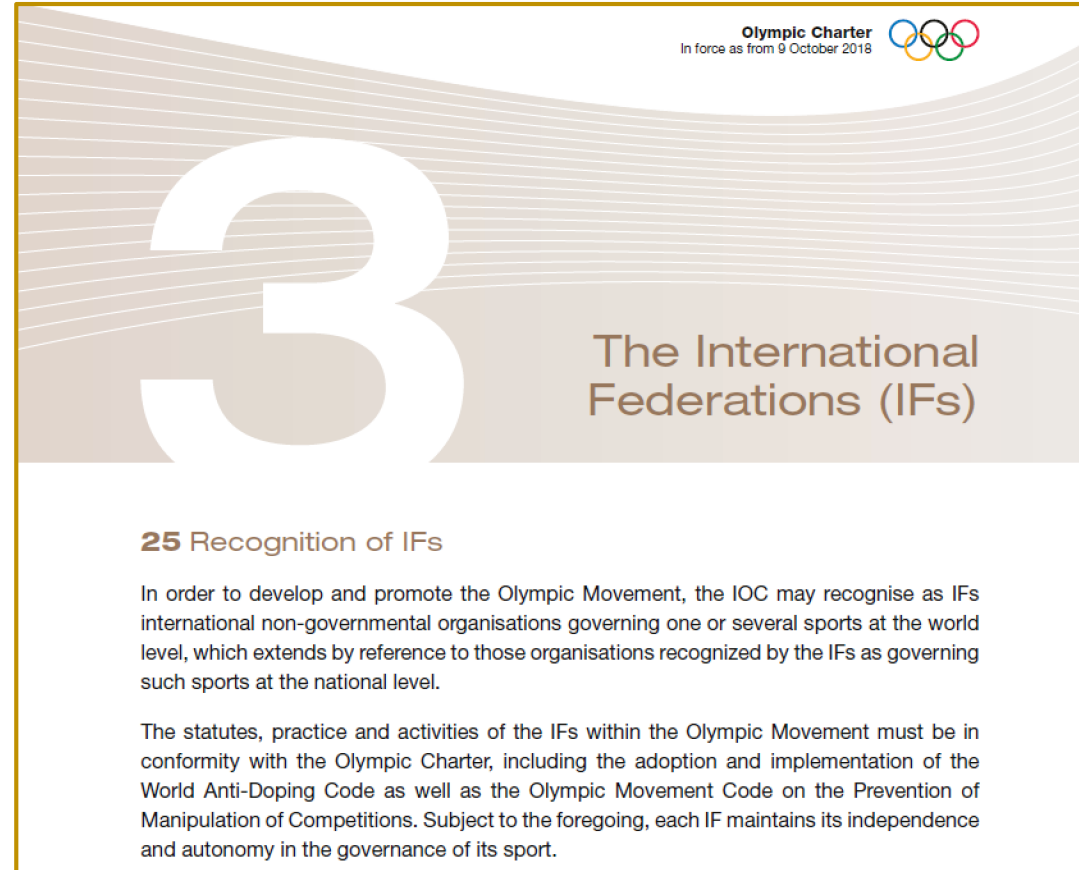


## 1. LANDSCAPE OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTS

- FAI is one of 39 “IOC recognised IFs” and as such member of **ARISF**.
- ARISF is one of 4 umbrella organisations that gather the respective IFs:
  - ASOIF – Summer Olympics,
  - AIOWF – Winter Olympics,
  - **ARISF – IOC recognised**, and
  - AIMS – one step before IOC recognition.
- FAI is also member of GAISF.
- GAISF gathers all individual IFs. The Council of GAISF is comprised of the respective Board representatives from the 4 umbrella organisations ASOIF, AIOWF, **ARISF** and AIMS.

## 1. LANDSCAPE OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTS

- FAI as an IOC Recognised Organisation is part of the “Olympic Movement”.
- The Olympic Charter defines:



- FAI receives an annual subsidy from the IOC, currently 32,000 USD, for antidoping programmes and selected special projects.
- FAI's NACs receive various support and subsidies through their NOCs.

# 1. LANDSCAPE OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTS

- Olympic Charter on International Sports Federations (“IFs”):

## **26** Mission and role of the IFs within the Olympic Movement

### **1.** The mission and role of the IFs within the Olympic Movement are:

- 1.1 to establish and enforce, in accordance with the Olympic spirit, the rules concerning the practice of their respective sports and to ensure their application;
- 1.2 to ensure the development of their sports throughout the world;
- 1.3 to contribute to the achievement of the goals set out in the Olympic Charter, in particular by way of the spread of Olympism and Olympic education;
- 1.4 to support the IOC in the review of candidatures for organising the Olympic Games for their respective sports;
- 1.5 to assume the responsibility for the control and direction of their sports at the Olympic Games;
- 1.6 for other international multisport competitions held under the patronage of the IOC, IFs can assume or delegate responsibility for the control and direction of their sports;
- 1.7 to provide technical assistance in the practical implementation of the Olympic Solidarity programmes;
- 1.8 to encourage and support measures relating to the medical care and health of athletes.


### **2.** In addition, the IFs have the right to:

- 2.1 formulate proposals addressed to the IOC concerning the Olympic Charter and the Olympic Movement;
- 2.2 collaborate in the preparation of Olympic Congresses;
- 2.3 participate, on request from the IOC, in the activities of the IOC commissions.

## 1. LANDSCAPE OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTS

- Olympic Charter on National Olympic Committees (“NOCs”):

Olympic Charter  
In force as from 9 October 2018



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## The National Olympic Committees (NOCs)

**27 Mission and role of the NOCs\***

1. The mission of the NOCs is to develop, promote and protect the Olympic Movement in their respective countries, in accordance with the Olympic Charter.
2. The NOCs' role is:  
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  - 2.6 to adopt and implement the World Anti-Doping Code;
  - 2.7 to encourage and support measures relating to the medical care and health of athletes.
3. The NOCs have the exclusive authority for the representation of their respective countries at the Olympic Games and at the regional, continental or world multi-sports competitions patronised by the IOC. In addition, each NOC is obliged to participate in the Games of the Olympiad by sending athletes.

**“world multi-sports competitions”**: e.g. The World Games (organized by IWGA, FAI is a member)

**“continental multi-sports competitions”**: e.g. Asian Games (organized by Olympic Council of Asia, comprising the NOCs in Asia)



# 1. LANDSCAPE OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTS

- Olympic Charter on NOCs and National Federations (“NFs”):

## 28 Composition of the NOCs\*

### 1. Whatever their composition, NOCs must include:

- 1.1 all IOC members in their country, if any. Such members have the right to vote in the general assemblies of the NOC. In addition, the IOC members in the country referred to in Rule 16.1.1.1 and Rule 16.1.1.2 are ex officio members of the NOC executive body, within which they have the right to vote;

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### The National Olympic Committees (NOCs)

- 1.2 all national federations affiliated to the IFs governing sports included in the programme of the Olympic Games or their representatives;
- 1.3 elected representatives of athletes. Those representatives must have taken part in the Olympic Games. They must retire from their posts at the latest by the end of the third Olympiad after the last Olympic Games in which they took part. Upon request by an NOC, the IOC Executive Board may grant an exemption to the requirement that such representatives must have taken part in the Olympic Games.

### 2. The NOCs may include as members:

- 2.1 national federations affiliated to IFs recognised by the IOC, the sports of which are not included in the programme of the Olympic Games;
- 2.2 multisports groups and other sports-oriented organisations or their representatives, as well as nationals of the country liable to reinforce the effectiveness of the NOC or who have rendered distinguished services to the cause of sport and Olympism.

“national  
federations” (NFs)  
= NACs in FAI

# 1. LANDSCAPE OF INTERNATIONAL SPORTS

- Olympic Charter on National Federations:

## **29** The national federations

To be recognised by an NOC and accepted as a member of such NOC, a national federation must exercise a specific, real and on-going sports activity, be affiliated to an IF recognised by the IOC and be governed by and comply in all aspects with both the Olympic Charter and the rules of its IF.

### *Bye-law to Rules 27 and 28*

#### *1. NOC recognition procedure:*

- 1.1 A national sports organisation applying for recognition as an NOC shall file an application with the IOC demonstrating that the applicant fulfils all conditions prescribed by the Olympic Charter, in particular in Rule 28 and BLR 27 and 28.*
- 1.2 Proof must be adduced that the national federations which are members of the NOC exercise a specific and real on-going sports activity in their country and internationally, in particular by organising and participating in competitions and implementing training programmes for athletes. An NOC shall not recognise more than one national federation for each sport governed by an IF. Such national federations or the representatives chosen by them must constitute the voting majority of the NOC and of its executive organ. At least five national federations included in an NOC must be affiliated to the IFs governing sports included in the programme of the Olympic Games.*

- Clear link between FAI as an IF and IOC – NOCs – NACs
- FAI has experienced cases where NOCs recognised NFs for air sports that did not fulfil either the above definition or FAI's definition of NACs as per the FAI Statutes and By-Laws

## Special situation Asia:



- Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) is recognised by the IOC as the “Association of NOCs in Asia”
- Includes NOCs from Saudi-Arabia to the Philippines, 45 in total
- OCA Constitution:



### Article 2

#### Fundamental Principles

The OCA will help to develop sport, culture and education of Asian youth, those moral and physical qualities that come from fair competition in sports, and to promote international respect, friendship, goodwill, Peace and Environments.

The OCA will apply and uphold the Olympic principles as defined in the Olympic Charter; belonging to the OCA Movement requires strict compliance with the OCA Constitution, Rules and Guidelines.

# Special situation Asia



- OCA Constitution:

## Article 3 General Objectives

The OCA shall:

1. Be the sole organisation in overall charge of different OCA GAMES in Asia;
2. Be the representative authority with all other recognised bodies or authorities responsible for Olympic, Asian, Continental, International and World Games;
3. Co-ordinate the activities of Asian countries in the field of sports at both regional and international levels;

## Special situation Asia:



- OCA Constitution:

### Article 10 OCA GAMES

The OCA GAMES are competitions between athletes in the individual or team Sport events, The NOC's have the sole responsibility to select, register and participate the athletes and the officials in the OCA GAMES, subject to final approval of OCA based on OCA Constitutions and Rules. The Competition will be conducted under the IF's technical Rules, in the event that there is no IF then under the rules of the subsequent AF subject to the supervision and authority of the OCA. The OCA decision is final.

## Special situation Asia:



- OCA Constitution:

### Article 13 Member

A Member recognised by the OCA must fulfil the following requirements:

1. It shall include within its organisation representatives of the National Sport Governing Bodies of sports in which that country is participating in the OCA GAMES. These Governing Sport Bodies should be affiliated to their respective IFs and to the respective AFs in lieu thereof in the case of a regional sport;
2. It must include in its own membership the appropriate representatives in the GA. It must recognize not more than one body or Association in its own country as the National Governing Body of a sport which is the body recognised by the IF of that sport or by a body recognised by the AF where no IF exists;

## Special situation Asia:



- OCA Constitution

### Article 14 Membership

1. Membership of the OCA with voting rights is only open to the NOCs of Asia affiliated to the OCA;

- The OCA mostly follows the Olympic Charter of the IOC.
- FAI is not a member of OCA. Its role is derived through the status as “IOC recognised IF”.
- The FAI has accepted two air sports organisations in Asia:
  - Airsport Federation of Asia (**AFA**) and
  - Asiana Parachute Federation (**ASIANIA**).**AFA is the so-called “AF” in the OCA jargon.**





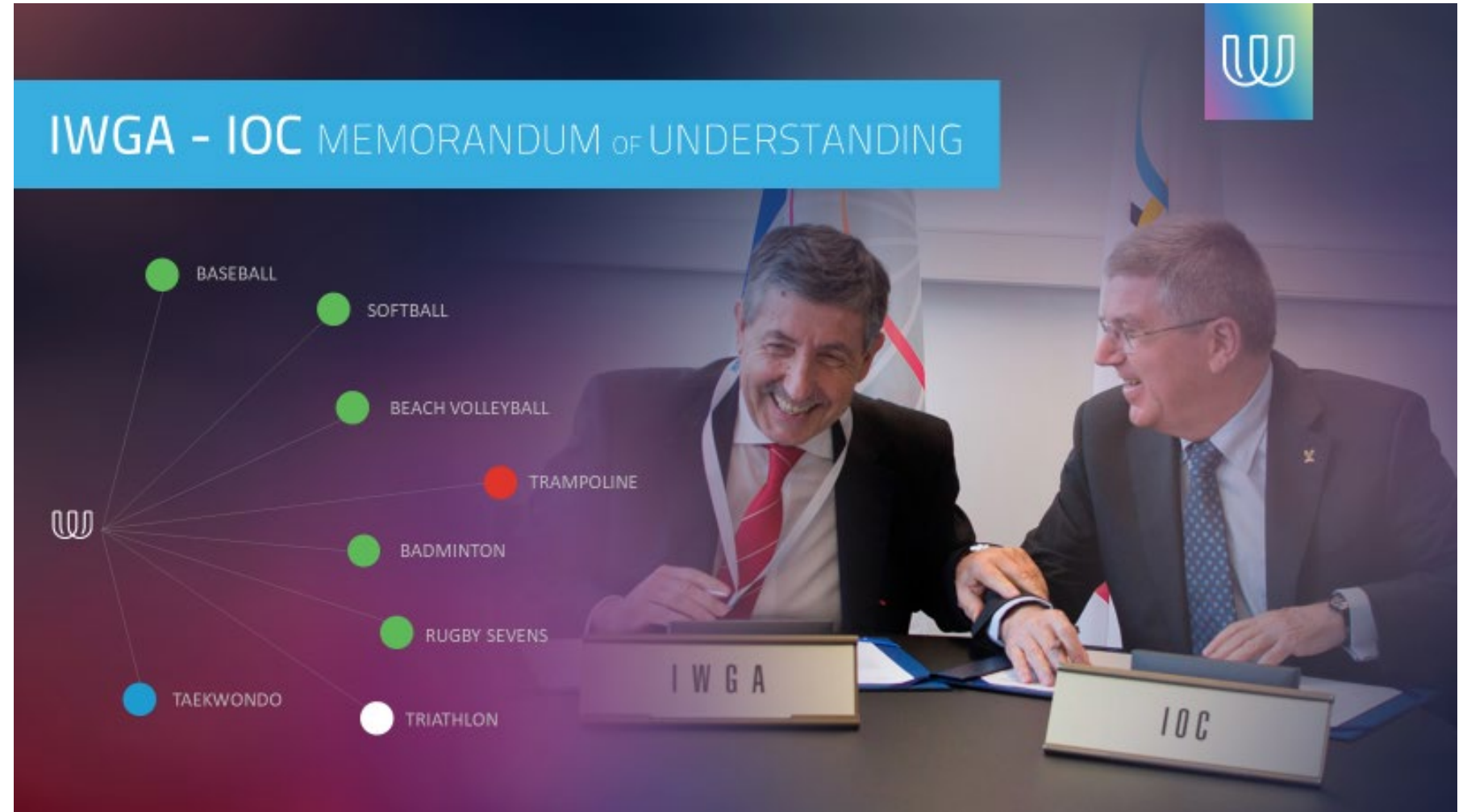
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### Recap: Position of FAI in International Sports

- FAI is recognised by the IOC.
- As such FAI is Member of GAISF, ARISF and IWGA.
- FAI NACs connected to NOCs through FAI's IOC recognition.
- Participation of FAI and NACs in The World Games.
- Role of FAI and its NACs in Asia under OCA – participation in their Games.



## 2. MULTISPORT EVENTS: THE WORLD GAMES



# *The World Games and the Olympics*



Recognized by the IOC



By signing a cooperation agreement with the International World Games Association, the International Olympic Committee recognizes the important role The World Games play as a multi-sport event.

All short listed sports for the Olympic Games 2020 in Tokyo, Baseball/Softball, Karate, Sports Climbing, Rollersports/Skateboarding and Surfing were part of the 2017 World Games edition.



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The MoU underlines the closer cooperation between the IOC and the IWGA which was set out in Recommendation 6.1 of Olympic Agenda 2020. This states "...the IOC and the International World Games Association (IWGA) to closely cooperate regarding the sports programme composition and their respective evaluations." The new agreement confirms that "the IOC recognises the importance of The World Games as a multi-sport event and the IWGA is committed to develop its activities in the Olympic spirit and in conformity with the Olympic Charter."

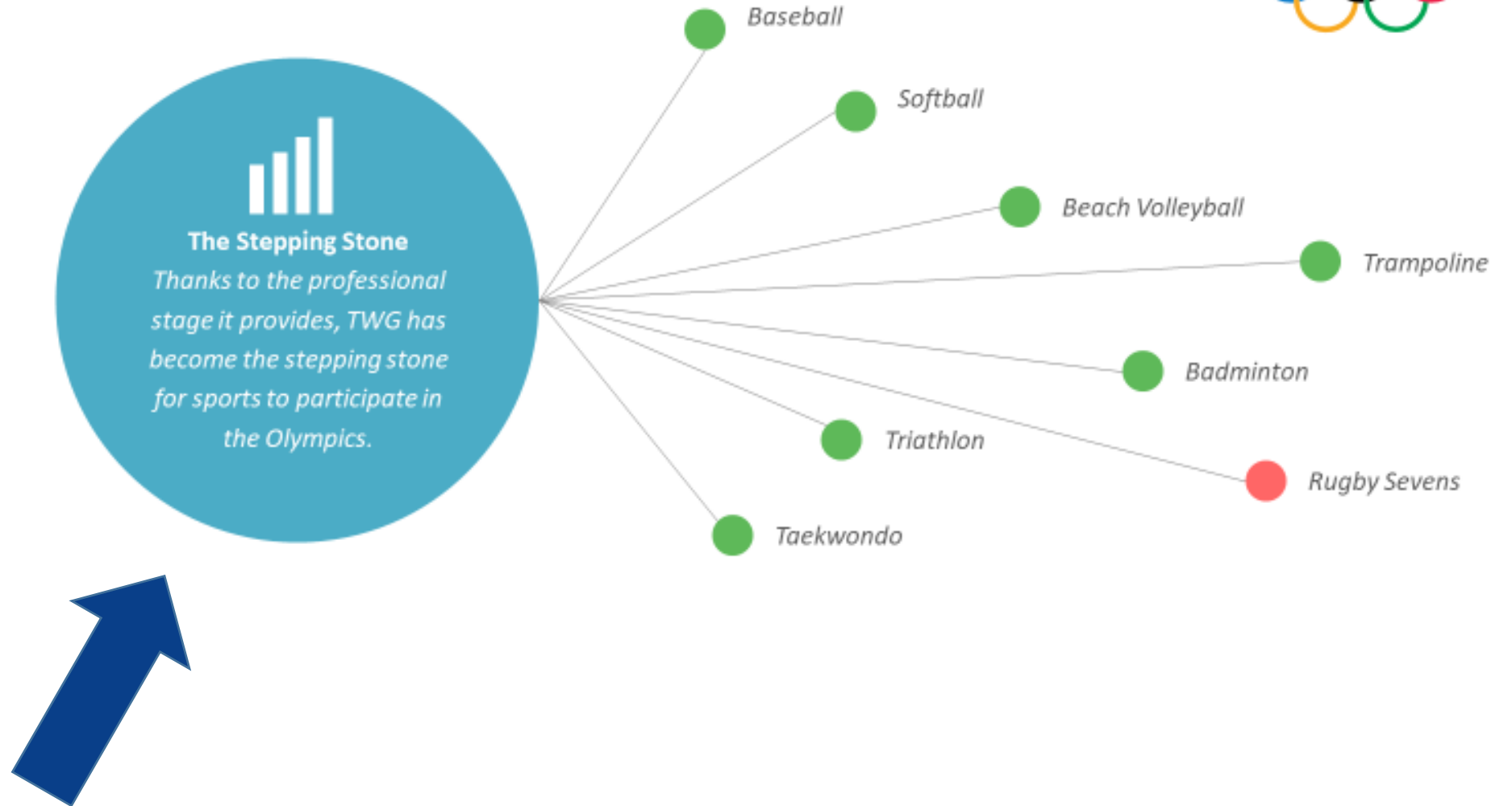
The MoU explains the principles of how this overall cooperation can be further developed. One of these principles is that the IWGA accepts that only events that are not on the programme of the Olympic Games can be included in the programme of The World Games (TWG). The IWGA shall also ensure that only sports whose International Federations are recognised by the IOC or are already members of the IWGA will be included in the official sports programme of TWG.

The IOC agrees to grant patronage to Organising Committees of The World Games and to provide technical assistance.

19 APRIL, 2016 in [The World Games](#)

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## 2. MULTISPORT EVENTS: THE WORLD GAMES



- Every 4 years, more than 4,000 athletes from 100+ countries, 30 sports.
- FAI is a member of the International World Games Association. Former FAI Secretary General Max Bishop is Senior Vice President at IWGA.
- Participation of air sports in the World Games since the 1980s. National Teams are organised by NOCs in cooperation with the respective NFs (NACs for FAI).
- Sports to be professionally organised, suitable for public and media production.
- Disciplines in The World Games 2021 (Birmingham, Alabama – USA): Canopy Piloting, Drones. Previous disciplines: Paramotoring, Glider Aerobatics, Paragliding.

## 2. MULTISPORT EVENTS: ASIAN GAMES

- FAI is connected through its IOC recognition (not a member like in IWGA).
- Decision making structure and enforcement complex.
- FAI Asian NACs very keen on being involved. OCA: *"This is your path to the Olympic Games."*
- Asian Federation: the OCA endorsed other organisation than FAI and the NACs; other IFs had the same experience.
- Asian Beach Games and Asian Games: participating disciplines Paramotoring, Paragliding.
- Future editions of Asian Beach Games 2020 and Asian Games 2022 in China.
- Disciplines in focus for 2022: Paramotoring, Parachuting (including Indoor Skydiving), Drones. Paragliding: evaluation of Asian Games 2018 not favourable.



### 3. PATHS TOWARDS THE OLYMPIC GAMES

- A. The World Games.
- B. OCA Asian Games.
- C. Individual relations with the OCOGs like Paris 2024.
- D. Make our air sports interesting enough, e.g. through the FAI World Air Games, the Olympiad of Air Sports.



### 3. PATHS TOWARDS THE OLYMPIC GAMES –

#### A. THE WORLD GAMES



- Established participation of Air Sports through FAI since the 1980s
- Potential to become Olympic through the MoU between IOC and IWGA



### 3. PATHS TOWARDS THE OLYMPIC GAMES –

#### B. OCA ASIAN GAMES



- Participation of Air Sports through FAI since 2011 in the various OCA events except Asian Games
- Asian Beach Games 2020 – Paramotoring included
- Asian Games 2022 – Paramotoring, Skydiving disciplines, and Drones
- Asian Games promoted as step into the Olympics

# 3. PATHS TOWARDS THE OLYMPIC GAMES – C. INDIVIDUAL RELATIONS WITH OCOG



The Tokyo Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games

## Application Procedure: Additional Events for the Games of the XXXII Olympiad (Tokyo 2020)

The Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee (Tokyo 2020) is pleased to launch the application process for additional event(s) to be included at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

As the recently adopted Olympic Agenda 2020 granted the Organising Committees of the Olympic and Paralympic Games the right to make proposals for the inclusion of one or more additional events on the Olympic programme for that edition of the Games, Tokyo 2020 has been working towards formulation of an implementation plan.

### Application timeline:

#### Phase I

8 May 2015	Application forms are sent to all IOC Recognised IFs
8 June 2015	Deadline for expressions of completed applications
22 June 2015	Shortlist announcement – shortlisted IFs will be requested to submit further details.

#### Phase II

22 July 2015	Deadline for the submission of further details.
Early August 2015	Presentations in Tokyo
30 September 2015	Selection of the event(s) and deadline for Tokyo 2020 to submit its proposal to the IOC



### 3. PATHS TOWARDS THE OLYMPIC GAMES — C. INDIVIDUAL RELATIONS WITH THE OCOG



PARIS 2024  
OLYMPIC GAMES

Presidents and Secretaries General of  
IOC Recognised International Federations

Paris, 02 October 2018



PARIS 2024  
OLYMPIC GAMES

During Q2 2019, Paris 2024 will submit its list of selected additional sports for initial review by the IOC Olympic Programme Commission and the IOC Executive Board. In Q3 2019, the IOC EB and IOC Session will provisionally validate a first list of additional sports for the Paris 2024 programme. It is to be noted that no sports will be added to that list at a later stage.

During the second step of the process, Paris 2024 and the IOC will undertake until Q3 2020 a further review of the 2020 or any relevant IF

**This process will not entail a call for applications.**

Paris 2024 - Process and timeline

Dear Presidents, dear Secretaries General,

In a letter dated 25 July 2018, the IOC provided you with a proposal for additional events in new sports to the Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games. The key principles and the related timeline were outlined in the letter.

- Athletes and events in any new sports proposed by Paris 2024 should be in line with the Olympic Charter framework of approximately 10,500 athletes and 33 events.
- The OCOG proposal should be made in line with Paris' vision and masterplan, respecting the principles outlined in Olympic Agenda 2020+5.

The objective of this letter is to give you more information about the process forward. In agreement with the IOC and in line with the New Norm, a cost-efficient process (both for International Federations and for Paris 2024) has been devised to select potential additional sports. **This process will not entail a call for applications.**

Respecting the above principles set forward by the IOC EB, the Paris 2024 Sports department will only engage with IOC-recognised International Federations whose sport has been assessed as fitting with the Paris 2024 project. Working sessions will be held with these federations to define the competition practicalities (events, number of athletes, competition format, venue considerations, etc.). It will be the first step for those sports to be considered for inclusion in the Paris 2024 proposal to the IOC for additional sports.

OCOG's decision decided that: in the Olympic Charter framework of approximately 10,500 athletes and 33 events in its existing venue Norm.

events in new sports to their final decisions on the events and athlete quotas in new sports previously approved by the IOC EB in Q3 2019). This will be the last step of the process.

Thank you very much for your kind attention and we remain at your disposal should you have any question or if any clarification is required.

With best regards,

Jean-Philippe Gatien  
Paris 2024 Sports Director

CC : Kit McCONNELL, IOC Sports Director  
Etienne THOBOIS, Paris 2024 CEO

### 3. PATHS TOWARDS THE OLYMPIC GAMES – D. PROMOTE FAI'S AIR SPORTS

- FAI World Air Games – the Olympiad of Air Sports



- Popular and young, new disciplines such as Drones and Indoor Skydiving that have media presence



# LOGOS AND ACRONYMS

	FAI	Fédération Aéronautique Internationale - World Air Sports Federation, recognised by the IOC
	IOC	International Olympic Committee – Comité Olympique Internationale
	OCOG	Organizing Committee of the Olympic Games
	NOC	National Olympic Committee
	ANOC	Association of National Olympic Committees
	EOCs	European Olympic Committees (group of European NOCs)
	OCA	Olympic Council of Asia (group of Asian NOCs)
	GAISF	Global Association of International Sports Federations (formerly Sportaccord) (FAI is a member organization)
	ARISF	Association of IOC Recognized International Sports Federations (FAI is a member organization)
	ASOIF	Association of Summer Olympic International Federations
	AIOWF	Association of International Olympic Winter Sports Federations
	AIMS	Alliance of Independent Recognised Members of Sport (formerly Association of Independent Members of Sportaccord (now GAISF)
	IWGA	International World Games Association, organizer of The World Games (FAI is a member organization)

## LOGOS AND ACRONYMS

	FINA	Fédération Internationale de Natation - International Swimming Federation
	IAAF	International Association of Athletics Federations
	FIS	Fédération Internationale de Ski – International Ski Federation
	IF	International (Sports) Federation, as such generally accepted when a member of GAISF. Conditions among others: at least 40 National Federations, certain number of World Championships etc.
	NF	National Federation (called NAC – National Air Sport Control – in FAI)
	AF	Asian Federation (linked to the respective IF and recognised by OCA)
Regional/Continental organisations affiliated with FAI		
	ASIANIA	Asiania Parachute Federation
	AFA	Airsport Federation of Asia, FAI's representative in Asia towards the OCA
	COLPAR	Confederacion Latinoamericana de Paracaidismo

