



Report

ICF Ordinary Congress
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1. Major Meetings since last Congress

- Paracanoe Committee meeting – January 20-22 - Online
- Canoe Sprint Committee meeting – February 18-20 - online
- Paris 2024 coordination mtgs – Vaire sur Marne, (FRA) – April
- 2022 World Championships – Site mtgs – Halifax – April
- IPC “Open Days” mtgs – Bonn, (GER) June - IF consultations
- Special O International signing ceremony – Berlin, June.
- Canoe Sprint Committee meeting – Halifax – August 8-9.
- IPC Classification mtgs – Siegburg (GER) – update to new Classification Code consultation with all IFs
- Paris 2024 mtgs – Vaire sur Marne, (FRA) September – Major issues: water accessibility & 2023 World Cup
- Marathon Championships – Ponte de Lima (POR) – September – major inclusion of paracanoe events
- IPC Gathering & Extraordinary Congress – Berlin – Nov. 15-17

2. Tasks undertaken for this period

- Coordination of Athlete Classification activities
 - Asian Champs (Thailand),
 - Poznan WC,
 - Halifax WCH,
 - ECA Champs
- Coordination of Classification Education Workshops
 - Budapest
 - India
- Asian Championships & Hangzhou Qualifier – March - 2022
- West Africa Development project
- Paris 2024 site visit and coordination
- IPC/IF Paralympic Games qualification
- Liaison with Asian Paralympic Games HOC
 - (postponed to October 22-28, 2023)
- IPC Liaison (IF Open Days & 2024 Accessibility issues)
- IPC – new Classification Code consultation
- 2022 World Championships - Special O Exhibition events
- FFCK/Paris 2024 coordination for 2023 World Cup (Sept.)
 - Engagement/promotion activities
- Marathon expansion
- Budget preparation for 2023-24 fiscal period

3. Issues and Main Points of Report

- Paris 2024 Accessibility improvements
- IPC consultation on new Classification Code
- Special O International mutual agreement
- Special O promotion
- Continuing Classification Education programming
- Marathon expansion
- West Africa Development Project xxx

4. Future Initiatives and Tasks

- Third World Paracanoe Conference - October, 2023 – Tahiti
- International Classifier mtg – March, 2023 – Vaire sur Marne
- Publication of an Upper limb Classification system
- Continuing Level 3 (National) Level Classification Workshops
- First Asian Paralympic Games with Paracanoe – Hangzhou, CHN – October 22-28, 2023xxx
- Future TIP Camp planning
- 2023 World Champs & 1st 2024 Qualifier
- Classification review – possible minor changes for 2024-28 quadrennial
- Upgrade for classifier education processes
 - To improve clarity & details
- Application for 2027 Para-PanAm Games – (probably due by mid-2023)
- Marathon expansion