

Jean-Michel PRONO

Chairman of ICF Canoe Slalom Committee



PERSONAL DETAILS

- Born in 1953, married, two daughters.
- Graduate in physical education (1976)
- Graduate in high level sport management and coaching (1987)
- · Languages: French, English and Spanish

SPORT CAREER

- 1966 / 1983 active competitor at national and international level in Canoe Slalom
- 1974 / 1975 Member of the French national slalom team (k1men)

PROFESSIONAL CAREER AND EXPERIENCE

Sport adviser

for the French Sports Ministry from 1976 to 1980

Regional Canoe technical adviser

• for the French Canoe Association (FFCK) from1981 to 1983

Coach

- Responsible for the junior national slalom team from 1984 to 1988
- Responsible of the Spanish Slalom Racing Olympic team from 1989 to 1992
- Coach of the French women Slalom Racing Olympic team from 1993 to 2000
- Results achieved by athletes coached during this period:
 - Olympic games: Bronze in Atlanta, Silver and Bronze in Sydney
 - World champion title: 2 individuals (1993, 1997), 2 team event (1993,1995)
 - o World championships medals: 1 silver, 1 bronze (1993), 1 silver (1995)

National Canoe technical adviser (FFCK)

- 2005, PHD high level sport activities (so called "Professeur de Sport Superieur)
- from October 2000 until the 1st of june 2020 with following missions:
 - Sport director of the organizing committee for the 2002 Canoe Slalom world championships in Bourg St Maurice (FRA) - 2001 to 2002
 - o In charge, for FFCK, of international programme for development of canoeing, member of the ICF Slalom racing working group "Beijing and beyond" from 2003 to present
 - Technical Operation Manager for Canoe Slalom Event at Athens 2004 Olympic Games (proposed by ICF, employed by local organizing committee, ATHOC)

EXPERIENCE AND LATE WORKING POSITION EVOLUTION:

My working experience has combined twenty five years of high level slalom racing coaching all around the world, developing canoeing activity either in France or in new developing canoeing countries (South and Central America, Africa, Asia). I have participated, as sport director, to worldwide Canoe Slalom events organization.

Finally my involvement at international level has leaded me to be leading the Canoe slalom Committee since 2005.

Since I am acting as Technical Delegate in all ICF Slalom racing World Championships, World cups and the Olympic and Continental Games, the technical committee as been focused in raising and consolidating the standard of organisation. The support of the White Water ICF Technical Manager from 2017 has allow the Discipline to define a clear framework with all ICF stake holders.

The inclusion of the 2 Extrem canoe slalom events for the Paris 2024 Olympic games program is a new challenge that I would like to lead and coordinate with the help of the Technical committee.