ICF Board of Directors, Manchester, UK
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Name of the Committee: Canoe Slalom

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1. Meetings and actions since last Board Meeting

Period: from October 2016 to March 2017

- 18th and 19th of October 2017, Meeting with SiWIDATA at their Headquarter, Merano (ITA)
  review of the services provided for the forthcoming Olympic period, development of new cooperation with ICF TVS and Live coverage services.

- January 17th and 18th 2017, Coordination meeting with R.F.E.P. for YOG World qualification, Barcelona (ESP)

- January 21st to 22nd 2017, CSL committee meeting, (Paris / Roissy, FRA)
  See attached minutes

- February 8th to 9th 2017, Meeting with Gaia municipality and technical visit to for WW park facility project. (Gaia, POR)

- February 28th to March 2nd 2017, Coordination meeting with SVK canoeing federation and HOC for ICF Jun/U23 CSL world championships, (Bratislava, SVK)
**Tasks undertaken for this period**

**Organization event area**

- **YOG World qualification to be held in Barcelona 6 to 15 of April 2018:** The second meeting with RFEP, Generalitat de Cataluña and the Castelldefels Olympic venue management was held in January with the YOG ICF TD's and Pierrick Gosselin in order to confirm the technical requirements for this Competition and review the capacity of the venue to accommodate the needs for such event. The meeting was successful and ICF has delivered the Technical requirement guidelines within few days after the meeting. After this meeting the dates have been confirmed by both RFEP and Venue management in Castelldefels including a training camps period of 5 days and 5 days competition programme. There is still an important problem to solve with the equipment (YOG Monotype Boats, Sprint and Slalom) to be provided for the training camp and competition.

- **2017 Junior and U23 ICF CSL world championships, Bratislava (SVK):** Because the establishment of the new Slovak Canoeing Federation under one common umbrella (CSP /CSL), the creation of the Championship’s LOC and preparation of the event started lately with the 1st coordination meeting with Slovak federation and LOC in Bratislava held 1st and 2nd of March. The meeting was fruitful and the HOC is now on track with a good working relation established between ICF technical committee and the Technical manager of the HOC. The Competition schedule approved in Baku has been amended to address the remarks received from different NF’s and facilitate doubling for athletes as well the management of the two ages groups for Teams staff.

- **2017 CSL World cups series:**
  The new CSL WCS competition schedule has been established with new grouping of the events to reflect the evolution of the Olympic programme and introduction of C2Mx event. The Extreme canoe slalom is confirmed within the competition schedule.
  Finally TV coverage and feed production at 2017 CSL WCS will be the same production by Hit The Roof (HTR) as previous years. CSL technical committee and ICF HQ have found a solution for organising the TVS feed production including a new service provided by Siwidata to edit, distribute and "live stream" the feeds provided by HTR crew and equipment. Team ’s analysis, video judging, Sport Presentation on giant screen at the venue and live streaming of the event on the ICF web platform is now guaranteed by this “joint venture” with Siwidata and HTR.

**Tokyo 2020 Olympic games preparation**

ICF and Technical Delegate have not recently been in contact with the Organizing committee and we are still waiting for a TD/ Sec Gen visit to be scheduled soon this spring.

For CSL competition, the venue has been confirmed in Tokyo with the construction of a legacy facility which project has been sign off by ICF.
Call for: “Design the gate” competition

The “Design the gate” competition was delayed for the selection process but is now in the last phase. Jury for selecting the final project or two maximum if we have one mechanical and one electronically driven systems.

The technical committee Jury has selected 6 projects to be reviewed by the Jury now enlarged to external expertise. The applied criteria’s were for the first phase selection:
- Level of detail and description
- Canoe Slalom rule change required
- Safety issues for competitors
- Complexity of implementation and usage

This Jury will be held 5th of April during Sport Accord and by the end of April 2017 publication of the successful promoters name.

Following this selection process and signature of a development project agreement with selected projects, the ICF and the CSL Technical Committee wish to implement the following timeline for development whilst still fulfilling the framework of the Competition rules:
- Have a working prototype(s) for around end of September 2017
- Testing the prototype(s) during the remaining season 2017 and 2018 particularly through non-official competitions on a volunteer base.
- Validate / approve a new gate system by the end of 2018 (our aim is having an homologated system working officially for the last two years, 2019/2020 of the Olympic period or earlier if possible.

CSL development Programme

- ICF CSL development Manager Pierrick Gosselin has coordinated the different programmes for the 2017 season in relation with the Continental Associations and ICF competitions LOC, hosting the different training camps.
- See dedicated report prepared by Pierrick Gosselin
- The balance of these programmes will be presented during the dedicated Development Programme commission meeting.

Issues and Main Points of Report

1° Coordinate the preparation of the 2017 ICF CSL season

2° Tokyo 2020 Olympic games preparation

3° Follow up of the CSL committee projects
   - Extreme canoe slalom format consolidation through World Cup series
   - Call for the “Design the gate” competition, final selection
4° YOG Global qualification competition preparation.
   - Confirming HOC and ICF technical requirements for the competition
   - Liaising with HOC to prepare the hosting of this competition
   - Definition of the equipment list for YOG 2018, procurement process assessment

5° Coordinate with COPAC and ODEPA implementation of CSL events within the Continental Games Programme
   - American Games 2019 (Lima, Peru), venue selection and canoeing slalom organising structure definition.
   - Training and education of the local staff and volunteers

2. Items for resolution by board of directors.
   1. Presentation and approval of the 2017 Extreme canoe slalom Rules (New chapter VIII CSL rules)
   2. Presentation and approval of the 2017 ICF CSL Senior World championships detailed competition schedule programme
   3. Presentation and approval of the amended 2017 ICF CSL Jun /U23 World championships programme

3. Future Initiatives and Tasks

   Participating with ICF HQ and ICF Ex-co at the recruitment of the Technical staff for CSL
   Establishing with each of the Continental associations a CSL competition calendar and programme with a Coordinator per continent.
   Follow up of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic games preparation
      - ICF Venue requirements and construction delivery follow up
      - Cooperation with TMG (construction) and Tokyo 2020 Canoeing manager for preparation of the Games
      - Liaising with JCF for the education and training programme for staffing LOC, Official and technical volunteers

   Simplify the scoring procedure (Penalty collection, documentation) for Canoe slalom competition, shadow test of the system developed with SIWIDATA during ICF competition.
   Developing the gate of the future (see Design the gate competition) and monitoring testing operation with the selected projects.

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