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To: Affiliated Federations
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Organisers of World Championships
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Ladies and Gentlemen,

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1. 2006 FISA Ordinary Congress in Eton, Great Britain

This congress took place on Monday, 28 August in Eton. The main decisions are summarised as follows:

- **Commission Chair Elections for four year terms (until end 2010):**

Adaptive Rowing:	Fay Ho (HKG)
Competitive Rowing:	John Boulton (AUS)
Events:	Mike Tanner (HKG)
Masters Rowing:	Peter Morrison (GBR)
Media, Marketing and Promotions:	Arno Boes (GER)
Umpiring:	Patrick Rombaut (BEL)
Women's Rowing:	Tricia Smith (CAN)

Congress (continued)

- **Attributions of FISA Events:**

Lake Karapiro, New Zealand will host the 2010 World Rowing Championships. Preliminary dates are 12 to 19 September 2010.

The 2010 World Rowing Junior Championships were attributed to **Racice, Czech Republic**. Preliminary dates are 4 to 7 August 2010.

The 2009 World Rowing Under 23 Championships were also attributed to **Racice, Czech Republic**. Preliminary dates are 23 to 26 July 2009.

- The **2007 Ordinary Congress** will take place on Monday, 3 September 2007 in Munich, Germany.
- **Afghanistan, Bolivia, Jamaica, Libya, Somalia and Zambia** were welcomed as new members of FISA which makes 126 member federations.
- Rowing South Africa was attributed the hosting of the **2009 FISA Extraordinary Congress** which will take place in Cape Town, South Africa in early February 2009.

2. Comments on this year's FISA events

The 2006 World Rowing Championship regatta in Eton, Great Britain was a great success. The FISA Executive Committee voted to present the FISA Medal of Honour to the President of the Organising Committee Mike Baldwin, the Chairman of the British Federation Diana Ellis and to UK Sport represented by Martin Morten.

The 2006 World Rowing Junior Championship regatta in Amsterdam was also very successful. Excellent racing took place in good conditions. The number of spectators and the quality of the infrastructure were of particular note. FISA honoured the Organising Committee for their outstanding work and great spirit by awarding the OC President Henk-Jan Zwolle with the FISA Medal of Honour. The 2006 World Rowing Under 23 Championship regatta was also very successful under the leadership of the co-presidents of the OC Georges Lambert and Patrick Rombaut. They were awarded the FISA Medal of Honour as was Johan Blondelle, Director of the Hazewinkel rowing center.

Last but not least, we should not forget to recognise the organising committees of the 2006 Rowing World Cup regattas in Munich, Poznan and Lucerne. Their hard and dedicated work made for an excellent world cup season.

3. Selection of the 2009 World Rowing Masters Regatta venue

The FISA Council selected Vienna, Austria as the venue for this event in 2009. The Danube river course has hosted international regattas over the years including the 1991 World Rowing Championships and various World Cup regattas.

4. 2006 FISA Youth Coaches Conference

This conference takes place in Groningen, the Netherlands from 12 to 15 October 2006. We attach a brochure which includes an application form. As well, information can be obtained from the website <http://www.jcc.knrb.nl/>

5. 2006 World Rowing Coaches Conference

This year's Coaches Conference takes place in Limassol, Cyprus from Thursday, 2 November to Sunday, 5 November 2006 hosted by the Cyprus Rowing Association. Please see the attached information about the conference and registration form which should be faxed to +357-253 53672 by 15 October 2006.

6. Commission membership

The FISA Commissions for which the Chairs were elected (re-elected) are announced for four-year terms ending on 31 December 2010:

Umpiring:

Patrick Rombaut (BEL), Chair
Guylaine Bernier (CAN)
Fabio Bolcic (ITA)
Michel Doutre (FRA)
Stanislaw Komornicki (POL)
Stefanie Palfner (GER)
Jun Watanabe (JPN)

Events:

Mike Tanner (HKG), Chair
Svetla Otzetova (BUL)
Bernd Schuhmacher (GER)
John Hedger (GBR)

Competitive Rowing:

John Boulton (AUS), Chair
Morten Espersen (DEN)
Gianni Postiglione (GRE/JPN)
Premysl Panuska (CZE)
Faysal Soula (TUN)
Curtis Jordan (USA)
Rosie Mayglothling (GBR)

Media, Marketing and Promotions:

Arno Boes (GER), Chair
Chris Baillieu (GBR)
Fred Schoch (USA)
Peter Ottiger (SUI)
Patricia Lambert (BEL)
Marc Ventouillac (FRA)

Adaptive Rowing:

Fay Ho (HKG), Chair
Shirley Stokes (AUS)
Mary Ellen Conaboy (USA)
Simon Goodey (GBR)
Paola Grizzetti (ITA)
Tomislav Smoljanović (CRO)
Judy Morrison (expert appointment)
Ben Johnson (expert appointment)

Masters Rowing:

Peter Morrison (GBR), Chair
Ronald Chen (USA)
Zdena Norkova (CZE)
Tone Pahle (NOR)
Daniel Rutenberg (ISR)

7. Additional Umpiring Seminars

The FISA Umpiring Commission have added some additional seminars and exams to their schedule for the next six months. Candidates must be announced to FISA at least one month prior to the exam.

• **27-29 October 2006 - Sevilla (ESP)**

Exam (written)	27 Oct 17:00 hrs
Exam (practical)	28 Oct 09:00 hrs
Seminar	28 Oct 17:00 hrs (part 1), 29 Oct 09:00 hrs (part 2)

- **24-26 November 2006 - Helsinki (FIN)**
Exam (written) 24 Nov 20:00 hrs
Exam (practical) 25 Nov 09:00 hrs
Seminar 26 Nov 09:00 hrs

- **19-21 January 2007 - Cairo (EGY)**
Exam (written) 19 Jan 19:00 hrs
Exam (practical) 20 Jan 09:30 hrs
Seminar 20 Jan 16:00 hrs (part 1), 21 Jan 09:30 hrs (part 2)

- **16-18 February 2007 - Algiers (ALG)**
Exam (written) 16 Feb 18:00 hrs
Exam (practical) 17 Feb 21:00 hrs
Seminar 17 Feb 16:00 hrs (part 1), 18 Feb 09:00 hrs (part 2)

8. Future FISA event bids

Any national federations interested in applying for the:

- 2010 World Rowing Under 23 Championships
- 2010 World Rowing Masters Regatta
- 2011 World Rowing Championships
- 2011 World Rowing Junior Championships
- 2008 European Rowing Championships

are requested to declare their intention to bid in writing to be received no later than **30th September 2006** at FISA headquarters. Interested federations will be sent the bid questionnaire to be completed and later returned to FISA.

9. Umpires Nominations for 2007 and 2008 FISA Events

National Federations are invited to nominate umpires for the following events:

- **2007 Rowing World Cup** regattas to be held in Linz/Ottensheim, Austria (1 to 3 June 2007), Amsterdam, the Netherlands (22 to 24 June 2007) and Lucerne, Switzerland (13 to 15 July 2007).
- **2007 All Africa Games** regatta (Africans only) to be held in Algiers, Algeria from 19 to 21 July 2007.
- **2007 Pan American Games** regatta (Americans only) to be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from 22 to 28 July 2007
- **2007 World Rowing Under 23 Championships** to be held in Strathclyde, Great Britain from 26 to 29 July 2007.

- 2007 **World Rowing Junior Championships** to be held in Beijing, China from 7 to 11 August 2007.
- 2007 **World Rowing Championships** to be held in Munich, Germany from 26 August to 2 September 2007.
- 2007 **World Rowing Masters Regatta** to be held in Zagreb, Croatia from 6 to 9 September 2007.
- 2007 **European Rowing Championships** (Europeans only) to be held in Poznan, Poland from 21 to 23 September 2007.
- 2007 **FISA Coastal Rowing Championships** to be held in Cannes, France from 19 to 21 October 2007.
- 2008 **Olympic Games regatta** to be held in Beijing, China from 9 to 17 August 2008.
- 2008 **Paralympic Games regatta** to be held in Beijing, China from 9 to 11 September 2008.

National Federations should ensure that any umpire nominated is definitely able to attend the event concerned. FISA provides a small subsidy for the umpires of the World Championships, the World U23 Regatta and foreign umpires of the World Cup regattas. Umpires for the other events, with their National Federations, must fund their own expenses. The deadline for nominations with complete contact information for the nominated umpire (including email address) to be received at FISA headquarters is **23 February 2007**. Please use the attached form.

National Federations and Organisers interested in hosting a FISA Umpiring Seminar or Exam should express their interest in written form to be received at FISA headquarters by **23 February 2007**.

10. 2007 International Regatta Calendar, 2007 Masters International Regatta Calendar and 2008 Provisional International Regatta Calendar

Applications for the inclusion of regattas in the above mentioned calendars must be received at FISA headquarters by **30th September 2006** (Masters by 31st October 2006). Application forms are attached.

Please note that the following dates are reserved for 2007:

1 to 3 June	1 st Rowing World Cup regatta – Linz/Ottensheim
22 to 24 June	2 nd Rowing World Cup regatta - Amsterdam
13 to 15 July	3 rd Rowing World Cup regatta - Lucerne
26 to 29 July	World Rowing Under 23 Championships - Strathclyde
7 to 11 August	World Rowing Junior Championships - Beijing
26 August to 2 Sept.	World Rowing Championships – Munich
6 to 9 September	World Rowing Masters Regatta – Zagreb

11. 2007 FISA World Rowing Guide

Individuals, Organisations and Member Federations listed in the 2006 World Rowing Guide are requested to check their details (including oar blade colours and the names of your President and Secretary General) and forward any changes or corrections for the 2007 edition to FISA headquarters by **31 October 2006**. Please also include email and Internet home page addresses, as they will be included in the 2007 Guide. These may be ordered through the FISA merchandisers in each continent at www.worldrowing.com/merchandise.

12. 2006 World Rowing Championships DVD

The above mentioned show will now be produced on DVD and can be ordered. This DVD will include all 26 finals and some slow motion sequences of the winning crews. The DVD should be ordered through FISA's licensed merchandise partners at www.worldrowing.com/merchandise.

Yours sincerely,



Denis Oswald
President



Matt Smith
Executive Director

Attachments