

WORLD ROWING EVENT ATTRIBUTION PROCESS: 2021 – 2024 INFORMATION SHEET

A. Introduction

A large number of regatta venues have benefited from significant investment from local, regional and national governments to bring them to a standard suitable for hosting international competitions. To support a long-term return on investment in these facilities as well as long term support for our sport, the World Rowing Federation, FISA, has adopted a new approach to the manner in which its events are attributed. This approach will allow interested parties to indicate all of the FISA-owned events that they believe would support their long-term events strategy. A detailed description of the procedure and timeline is provided below.

B. Procedure

1. Expression of interest

Dec 2017 - 31 July 2018

Interested national federations, organising committees and government authorities inform FISA of their event objectives for the period 2021-2028 and indicate the events they are interested in hosting for the 2021-2024 period. Indications of interest in events from 2025 to 2028 may also be provided. A video conference or meeting in Lausanne may be requested to discuss an expression of interest in more detail.

2. Preliminary allocation and reassignment of events

1 Aug 2018 - 31 Oct 2018

FISA reverts to interested parties with suggestions for alternative events where they have indicated interest in an event in which more than one organisation is interested.

3. Bid preparation period

1 Nov 2018 to 31 Mar 2019*

Distribution of bid documentation and preparation of preliminary bid dossiers, including bid questionnaires and bid budgets. Site visits would be conducted to those venues that have not hosted a World Rowing event in the past four years.

4. Final bid submission

31 May 2019*

Deadline for submission of final bid dossiers, including guarantees and accommodation offers. Bid presentations to the FISA Council may be required depending on the event.

5. Attribution

2 Sep 2019*

Attribution of the events by the FISA Congress or FISA Council, depending on the event.

** **European events:** Note that for European Rowing events, the deadline for submission of preliminary and final bids as well as attribution of the events will be two months earlier than the dates indicated above.*

While FISA will endeavor to accommodate all requests as far as possible, providing the minimum technical, financial and commercial criteria are met, it is expected that certain events may attract more than one interested party. In such cases, solutions acceptable to all parties will be sought, but if none are found, the event will be attributed via a competitive bid process.

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C. Expression of interest

National federations, organising committees and/or government authorities that are interested in hosting a World Rowing event in the period 2021 to 2024 are requested to send an email to Nathalie Phillips at nathalie.phillips@fisa.org to receive the Expression of Interest form in word version. After the form is completed, interested parties are asked to contact Nathalie to schedule a meeting or a video conference call.

The Expression of Interest form should be submitted as soon as possible, but no later than **31 July 2018**.

D. Questions

Any questions should be sent to Nathalie Phillips at nathalie.phillips@fisa.org.