

NOC Relations Commission Minutes

Meeting: 6 October 2021

Approved

Duration: via Zoom 2 hours, 1 pm -3 pm (CET)

Present

- **[MC]** Marisol Casado World Triathlon President
- **[CG]** Cristina González (CRC)
- **[NRS]** Nilendra Raj Shrestha (NEP)
- **[RDN]** Ria Damgren-Nilsson (SWE) - Chair
- **[AFA]** Antonio F. Arimany Secretary General
- **[LB]** Liber Garcia (URU) - EB Liaison
- **[AS]** Alfredo Sanchez World Triathlon Staff
- **[ZCS]** Zita Csovelyak, Head of National Federation Services & Development - Staff Liaison

Excused

- **[FJ]** HRH Prince Fahad bin Jalawi Al Saud (KSA)
- **[CC]** Clement Chileshe (ZAM)

Agenda

1. Welcome and World Triathlon Update by Marisol Casado, World Triathlon President and Antonio Arimany, World Triathlon Secretary General
2. Approval of the [minutes](#) (9 March 2021)
3. 2017-2020 Olympic Solidarity Final Report
 - a. The Final report can be downloaded from [here](#).
4. Olympic Solidarity Report – Triathlon Specific (Rio & Tokyo Olympic Quadrennial)
5. Olympic Solidarity World Programmes (2021-2024)
6. Establishing Working Framework within the Commission
 - a. Goals for 2022-2024
7. World Triathlon Congress Report (22-24 October 2021)
 - a. Report for the World Triathlon XXXIV Congress Package. [Link](#) to the full Congress Package.
 - b. Presentation for the World Triathlon Congress, Saturday, October 23, 2021
8. Update on NFs status – inactive NFs
9. Any Other Business

*For ease of minute taking only first names or initials of the members will be referred to in the minutes. You can see full names above.

Item	Discussion Items	Discussion	Actions
	Welcome	<p>Welcome by Ria Damgren Nilsson, Chair.</p> <p>Link to the presentation that leads the discussions today: noc_relations_commission_6_october_2021.pptx - Google Slides</p>	
1	World Triathlon Update by Marisol Casado, World Triathlon President and Antonio Arimany, World Triathlon Secretary General	<p>[MC]: Thanks to the commission for the preparation of this meeting. Clement Chileshe noted that he doesn't meet the criteria to be a member of the Commission. I would suggest revisiting the criteria, as he has been very much related to Olympic Solidarity for years now.</p> <p>The ANOC General Assembly in Crete will take place on 24-25 October. As of Now Marisol, Ria and Nilandra will be there.</p> <p>[AFA]: nothing to add</p>	<p>1. To update the criteria.</p>
2	Approval of the minutes (9 March 2021)	Approved.	<p>1. Minutes to be posted on NOC Relations Commission — World Triathlon. Zita sent it to Alberto.</p>

3	2017-2020 Olympic Solidarity Final Report	<p>[LB]: Well written, very detailed.</p> <p>1. The OS Budget was huge for the 2017-2020 quadrennial. (565.285.000 USD)</p> <p>2. Seeing the average of the received World Programmes by sports from 2017 to 2020: Triathlon is below the average in terms of technical courses for coaches, athlete scholarship, DNSS.. Therefore we have to work closely with Continental Olympic Associations and NOCs to increase our grants in all levels.</p> <p>[AFA]: There is a lot of room to improve. NOC relations, education (how to apply for OS projects) and communication with the NFs should be improved.</p> <p>[NRS]: To build up a good relationship with the NOC is the key. Most of the NOCs have their priority of the sports, triathlon is not always among them.</p> <p>[MC]: How to help the NFs to improve the current situation?</p>	
4	Olympic Solidarity Report – Triathlon Specific (Rio & Tokyo Olympic Quadrennial)	<p>The Commission reviewed the two Olympic Cycles results and discussed a brief action plan.</p> <p>Observations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Our NFs only benefited from 4 (four) World Programmes: 1. Technical courses for coaches, 2. OS coaches scholarships, 3. OS athlete scholarships, 4. DNSS. - No granted NOC/NF from Oceania in the past 8 (eight) years. - No youth development programmes awarded to our NFs - Asia and Americas the most benefited Continents, but there is a huge 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To All: Set up an education opportunity to the NFs about the IOC Olympic Solidarity programmes, applications, etc. 2. Start working closely with selected NFs in each area of the World Programmes from application process to execution.

		<p>room for improvements in all regions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - OS Scholarships for coaches mainly in America, not trace in Europe, Asia and Oceania - OS Scholarships for Athletes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - athletes with no real chance - already Olympic athletes/NOC - athletes with real need and chance (possible olympic debutants) - high percentage of withdrawals prior to the OG (Tokyo cycle) - Less scholarships holder athletes qualified for Tokyo 2021 then for Rio. - DNSS only 2 projects over 8 years - Opportunities: refugee athlete support, continental athlete support (continental games), Tripartite Invitational Places (Paris 2024), Universality Places (Dakar 2026) 	
5	Olympic Solidarity World Programmes (2021-2024)	<p>Short introduction of the World Programmes with underlining new opportunities.</p> <p>The female quota for technical courses for coaches is a minimum of 30 %. At this stage World Triathlon Coaches Courses operates with the following quotas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - L1: a minimum of 25 % female participants - L2: a minimum of 20 % female participants. <p>OS Scholarship for Athletes has a deadline as of October 31, November.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Commission recommends increasing the female quota on L1 courses as IOC OS standards. 1. Zita to contact the Communication Department to draft a communication memo to all NFs.
6	Establishing Working Framework within the Commission	<p>There were extensive discussions about the goals to be set for the period of 2021-2024 at three (3) levels:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. World Level 	

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Continental Level 3. National federation level <p>The commission will further discuss this topic before finalizing the goals and KPIs next time.</p> <p>Action plan was approved for 2021:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Olympic Solidarity 2021-2024 Webinar for National Federations to be set up in order to inform all the National federations about the Olympic Solidarity Plan (2021-2024) 2. Olympic Solidarity Section on the World Triathlon Education & Knowledge Hub (World Triathlon Education & Knowledge Hub) 3. Set up a meeting with Olympic Solidarity (Marisol, Antonio) 4. Set up a meeting with ANOC 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To define the date of the OS Webinar and involvement of the commission members.
7	World Triathlon XXXIV Congress (22-24 October 2021)	<p>The Commission will have a chance for a 15 minute presentation among the Commission and Committee reports linked to the World Triathlon XXXIV Congress. Ria Damgren, as commission chair, will present the Commission's Report..</p> <p>Presentation: Saturday, October 22, 2021, at 17:00, all commission members are welcome to join the presentation as panellists.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ria and Zita to prepare the presentation and share with the commission prior to the congress for final check. 2. Please email Zita who wants to attend the presentation as panellists in order to arrange an invitation for the meeting.
8	Update on NFs status – Inactive NFs, NFs to be	A short update on NF statuses as presented in the World Triathlon XXXIV. Congress Package.	

	expelled on World Triathlon Congress		
9	Any other business	The Commission will meet on a monthly basis at the beginning and may move bi-monthly meetings at a later stage. Next meeting will be on the 4th of November from 1 pm to 2 pm (CET).	

Next meeting: THURSDAY, November 4, 2021, 13:00 CET