WPAS Working Group. “World Cup and Continental Cup”

MEETING DATE: 08.04.2020

Minutes

Roll Call

In attendance

    Kevin Jardine (KJ)
    Greg Chambaz (GC)
    Christian Femy (CF)
    Justus Wolf (JW)
    Luka Dobrini (LD)
    Matt Hallat (MH)
    Anja Skutelj Svetic: AS
    Roman Jakic: RJ
    Antonio Chiracu: AC

Guests:

    Falco Teitsma: FT
2021 calendar update WC and CC

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JW, KJ, MH, CF: No WC in December due to decreased Training for Summer. More Development for Dec

AC: Keep on Schedule as WC and Downgrade if needed

KJ, MH: Needs to decided due to Budgeting

CF: Approved for EC in St Moritz in Dec

KJ: mentioned the need for Development in DEC as well as Classification for N America and Europe and CoC would be better for Class.

AC: Asked about replacing St Moritz after WCH ALL: Scandinavia would be best option

JW: inquired about AUT events

AS: Said that AUT is welcomed for Applications

3-5-year guidelines: MH

World Para-Alpine Calendar Group

3-5-year plan for hosting World Cup events

Looking ahead to the 2022/2023 World Cup Calendar and utilizing the suggestions we've previously agreed to, here is a potential timeline for the creation of the 2022/2023 WPAS WC calendar.

Goal:

- Confirmed WC calendar, including any World Championships or Paralympic Winter Games, 16-18 months ahead of any planned event. September 2021 for 2022/2023 WPAS WC season.
Bidding for WC will fall into pre-determined “blocks” of events - January 2023, February 2023 and March 2023 of each winter.

Clearly identify and communicate expectations, costs, and revenue opportunities to local LOCs when bids go out.

Timeline:

September 2020
Initial information goes out to NPC/LOC about bidding process of 2023 Para-Alpine World Cup events. Bidding can be made on pre-determined blocks of time, we encourage LOCs to coordinate and work together to maximize team and calendaring efficiencies.

Winter 2020/2021
Gauge initial interest and guide LOCs as needed. Encourage NPC, coaches, team leaders and IPC to ensure awareness has been adequately spread.

Winter 2020 - September 2021
Sign contracts between LOC and WPAS. Confirm Schedule for 2022/2023 season to all.

Repeat process for 2023/2024

Action items, critical elements to clarify by September 2020:

- Update contract, handbook, broadcasting requirements, branding/marketing requirements, and financial costs and support.
- Accountability. If we don’t have acceptable venues that fit our timing/block structure by September 2021, then we don’t host WC, or try to “fill-in” the calendar during that last year period.
- We are transparent about the costs (including if we want STC members present to enforce rules, support the Race Director, and expected field/team sizes for revenue generation)
- Expectations clearly stated on who is responsible for the rooming of athletes/staff, and where the risk lies if the event needs to be cancelled – do the teams cover costs early/up front, or does the LOC see insurance.

Comments:
MH: Who is responsible for Accountability for no Contracts 1.5 years out and we need to see current contracts for 2021.

RJ: Should we have Flexibility within year? MH: We need to Stand firm.

GC: Proposal in Spring for 2 years out and confirm in Fall Zurich meeting

GC: Would like Multi year contracts

EP: Every other year contracts in Asia and N America

**Cost Package discussion: ALL**

GC: Make the same as FIS Telemark

JW: Transparency of Costs

RJ: Every LOC is different and does not share information

ALL: Would Like to see IPC Proposal

EP: 2 options

1. LOC Full package
2. To have NPC’s make own arrangements with additional costs for entry and Lifts for LOC

**Update on WC manual: KJ**

Out of Time KJ had to leave for prior commitment

Adjourn