



IPC GOVERNING BOARD BIOGRAPHY

- **Name:** Fernando Riaño
- **IPC position:** Member at Large
- **Elected:** 2025
- **Position (outside of IPC GB):** Director of Institutional Relations and Sustainability at the ONCE Social Group, Head of International and Sustainability Affairs at NPC Spain, Chair of the International Disability Alliance Board
- **Nationality:** Spain
- **Languages spoken:** Spanish, English
- **Social media channels:** [LinkedIn](#)



Fernando Riaño is a distinguished executive and global advocate for inclusion, sustainability, and public affairs, with a career spanning senior leadership roles across major social, institutional, and corporate organisations. He currently serves as Director of Institutional Relations and Sustainability at the ONCE Social Group, where he leads public policy strategy, ESG governance, and international institutional engagement. He is also Head of International and Sustainability Affairs at the Spanish Paralympic Committee, guiding the organisation's global strategy and alignment with the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Riaño was elected **Governing Board Member at Large of the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) in September 2025**, reinforcing his long-standing commitment to advancing the Paralympic Movement and strengthening global cooperation in disability inclusion and sport.

He also serves as President of Servimedia, Spain's leading social communication agency, overseeing institutional representation, strategic communication, and corporate governance. His international leadership extends to the disability rights movement as Chair of the Board of the International Disability Alliance and former First Vice-President of the World Blind Union, contributing to global policy development, governance,

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and collaboration with institutions such as the United Nations and the World Health Organization.

Previously, he held senior positions at Barclays Western Europe, Ilunion and the ONCE Foundation, where he advanced corporate social responsibility, stakeholder engagement, and inclusive business strategies. His academic background includes a law degree, an MBA, executive programs in public leadership and national defense, and an ongoing doctorate focused on innovation and the economic and reputational impact of disability inclusion.

A decorated Para athlete and world champion in triathlon and duathlon, Riaño has received national honours such as the Order of Merit in Defense and the Order of Merit of the Civil Guard. Recognised among Spain's "Economic Leaders for Tomorrow," he is also an active lecturer and contributor at universities and business schools, including Harvard Kennedy School.

Throughout his career, Fernando Riaño has combined institutional leadership with a deep personal commitment to advancing inclusion, sustainability, and equal opportunities worldwide.

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