



# Report

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## ICF Board of Directors, Manchester, UK 23rd - 25th March 2017

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**ICF Position: Continental Female Rep**

### ***1. Visits and Meetings since last Board Meeting***

1. Visit to Delta State south south of Nigeria for talent hunt
2. NF Board Meeting
3. Open Time Trials towards canoe sprint championship Morocco
4. West Africa Regional meeting

### ***2. Tasks undertaken for this period***

1. Talent hunt and grassroots developmental programme
2. National federation board meeting for spread of canoe/kayak in Nigeria and West Africa
3. Trials to pick best athletes for the different state of Nigeria in preparation towards Africa Canoe Sprint and Obstacle slalom
4. Formation of constitution of west Africa meeting
5. Encouragement towards the payment of 60 domestic boat production in pipeline

### **3. *Issues and Main Points of Report***

1. Challenges with some of the Africa countries that have registered and have not for once participated in any of our event
2. Fast track of the process of domestic production
3. Involvement of more female in the sport at grassroots level
4. Issue of coach and ITO in developing countries

### **4. *Future Initiatives and Tasks***

1. Programme to encourage more women into the sport
2. Need to separate coaches from officials in developing countries
3. Involvement of private people and companies in the sponsorship of the sport
4. Encourage regional competition as this may be cheaper