



# Report

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

December 2016 - ICF Congress report to Canadian Canoe Association (CKC) – Ottawa CAN

January 15 & 16<sup>th</sup> – meetings with T. Konieczko (VP ICF) & J Kahl CSPC – Waverley CAN

February 06-09 – CSPC meetings – Halifax CAN

Feb. 13 & 14<sup>th</sup> – 2020 Olympic mtgs. – Toyko JPN

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

Prepare notes from Congress

Inform new CSPC members and Advisors of meeting and find appropriate location. – prepare agenda – meeting notes sent to ICF Board

Prepare for 2020 Olympic meeting with FISU and ICF and organizers – notes to president & S.G.

Prepare for Manchester mtgs. Incl. 2020 Olympic programme review, 2024 Olympic programme strategy, new formats for events 2017, CSPC philosophy for new events & competition distribution/circulation, bid recommendations, ITO selections, ITO exams/Seminars and new position

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

2020 Olympic programme review see report “**concerns &**

**Conclusions” \*\*1**

2024 Olympic programme strategy

new formats for events 2017 – see presentation “**Events for 2017” \*\*2**

CSPC philosophy for new events & competition distribution/circulation

bid recommendations

ITO selections - see **2017 ITO selections \*\*3**

ITO exams/Seminars

new position – selection team

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

2024 Olympic Programme Plan – CSPC begin the process

new formats – continue to improve race formats – more excitement

ITO exams and seminars – schedule around the globe

Work to develop new innovations

Spread events around the Globe

Continue to engage our stakeholders (federations)

# **\*\*1 concerns and conclusions:**

## **1. Introduction:**

- allocation of quotas

2016 158 men 88 women  
- quotas men K 2 200 m 20/ men C 1 200 m 13  
2020 123 men 123 women  
means we have in summary 12 men quotas less

**KI 200 m- men Fear very few double ups here and isolated (?)**

Situation is very similar with the situation in Kayak women in 2016- following some examples for double ups in 2016

- 13 Women double up from KI 200 m to KI 500 m and back
- KI Women 200 m 14 quotas and 28 entries
- KI Women 500 m 14 quotas but 27 entries
- KI Women 200 to KIV 500 - 5 athletes double up

**Conclusion:**

The women situation shows clearly that a lot of double ups possible between 500 m distance and 200 m distance

The problem with the isolated K 1 can be solved if we accept our Board decision to move with the KIV men to the 500 m distance

Added values: - double ups from KIV possible to 200 m as well as to 1000 m

- more likely is a double up from 500 to 200 m and in this way the 200 m KI is not isolated compared with

a 1000 m K 4

- more participants in K 1 200 m expected due to double ups from K4 500 m

**K 1 1000 m - double up likely from K 2**

We had 7 double ups from KI to KIV in 2016 and no double ups from KI to KII. Don't need any action at the moment. Can be solved by using a new quota allocation system (see proposed new system below).

K 2 1000 m - feel we lose link to K 4 and more likely double ups will be only K2 to K 1 which is not so many

0 double ups 2016 from KI to K 2 but 17 from KII to KIV

it`s easier to double up from a long distance to a middle distance instead of the reverse considering the skills of athletes. It`s to be expected that we have almost the same number of double ups from K 2 1000 m to K 4 500 m + the additional double ups from K 1 200 m

In Rio only one boat was specialized and started only in the KIV event.

MK-4 500 m - will be really hard to get another K 4 team added from the other kayakers as only Germany

- almost every athlete who start on the 1000 m distance is able to double up to 500 m - no difference to the situation 2016
- we can increase the possible numbers of double ups because the K1 200 m athletes can also double up on this distance
- 4 additional K 4 started in Rio which did not qualified. We can expect 2020 more double ups because additional athletes from the I 1 200 m can now double up.
- one nation ( Canada qualified 4 athletes - 3 from 200 m distance and 1 from 1000m ) and did not start in K 4

C 1 and C 2 must have the event away from each other

- it`s a result of the non negotiable gender policy and we have to make sure due to the timetable that double ups are possible

Women Kayak - Same as Rio

Women Canoe- need to ensure double ups

- political issue that they deserve the same events as men
- it`s almost the same situation in other disciplines that the same countries fight for medals in single and double events
- you can regulate using the timetable and with the quotas allocation the double ups ( see proposal below)

## 2. Opportunity's to extend the race time

Entries in 2016:

	after reallocation	entries in Rio
K 1 m 200 m	16	22
K 2 m 200 m	7	13

K1 m 1000 m	17	21
K 2 m 1000 m	12	12
K 4 m 1000 m	12	14
K 1 w 200 m	22	28
K 1 w 500 m	18	27
K2 w 500 m	12	15
K4 w 500 m	12	14
C 1 m 200 m	9	25
C 1 m 1000 m	15	19
C 2 m 1000 m	12	12

- principle finding - we had a poor participation in the double boats

2 boats per NF - Advantages/Disadvantages

there are more disadvantages than advantages and such a decision hurts our main strategy to be a universal sport

Conclusion - continue with the 2016 system only one boat per nation

## Use a new progression system with 8 lanes

One round more and the winner from heats goes directly in the final, 2 round and 3 round, and B and A finals compared with 3 rounds in 2016

Example for a new progression system

Plan	A	B	C
Number of entries	9 – 16 boats	25 – 32 entries	25 – 32 entries
1st round	2 races 1st to Final A rest to 2 <sup>nd</sup> round	3 races 1 <sup>st</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> to next round Rest out	4 races 1 <sup>st</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> to next round Rest out
2 <sup>nd</sup> round	2 races 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> to Final A 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> round 7 <sup>th</sup> to B- Final	2 races 1st to 3rd to Final A 4 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> to 3rd round 8 <sup>th</sup> to Finl B	2 races 1st to 3rd to Final A 4 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> to 3rd round 8 <sup>th</sup> to Final B
3 <sup>rd</sup> round = 1 Race	1 race 1st and 2nd to Final A rest to B- Final	1 race 1st and 2nd to Final A rest to B- Final	1 race 1st and 2nd to Final A rest to B- Final
B -Final	6 boats from 3rd round and 7 <sup>th</sup> places from 2 <sup>nd</sup> round	6 boats from 3rd round and 8th places from 2nd round	6 boats from 3rd round and 8th places from 2nd round

Suppose we have the same figures as in Rio and we compare the competition time :  
- we had 162 minutes in Rio

- we have 209 minutes in Tokyo with the new progression system - it's an extension of the real competition time from about 22,5 % (47 minutes)
- athletes have in the worst case with the new progression system in Tokyo 2 instead 1 race in Rio

## Try to regulate double ups with a new system of quota allocations

### Old System

maximum 8 Kayak men - 2 quotas about 200 m KII = 6 quotas 2020  
 maximum 6 Kayak women = 6 quotas 2020  
 maximum 4 Canoe men - 1 quota 200m CI = 3 quotas

### New proposal

maximum 5 quotas per NF Kayak men = 5 quotas  
 maximum 2 quotas Canoe men = 2 quotas  
 maximum 5 quotas Kayak women = 5 quotas  
 maximum 2 quotas Canoe women = 2 quotas

### Maximum quotas per NF

- in 2016 = 18 quotas
- in 2020 = 14 quotas
- more countries can get quotas - more diversity
- more commitment from NF's because a higher change to get a quota
- better balance between quality and universality
- more double ups possible
- more quotas for double boats means full B Finals

### Allocation to the events:

#### Change in the allocation of quota places to the events

	Boats places	Quotas
Kayak Men:		
K 1 200 m	11	11 (double ups from K 4 500 m possible)
K 1 1000 m	11	11 (double ups from K 2 1000 m possible)
K2 1000 m	12	24
K 4 500 m	10	40 ( double up from K 1 200 m and 1000 m events)

Big nations has an advantage to qualify team boats (because allocation start from the largest boat) and cannot qualified in this case single boats - more opportunities for small NF's to qualify single boat

### Kayak Women

K 1 200 m	11	11
K 1 500 m	11	11
K 2 500 m	12	24
K 4 500 m	10	40

Men Canoe		
C 1 1000 m	11	11
C 2 1000 m	13	26
Women Canoe		
C 1 200 m	11	11
C 2 500 m	13	26

Excellence comes from the first qualification

Universality from the continental qualification

Main target: force NF`s to double up to have full exiting races - do this by regulating the number of quotas

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## **\*\* Events for 2017 – attached**

### **\*\*3 2017 ITO selections attached**

see attached; 2017 World Championships

2017 World Junior and U23 Championships

2017 world Cups X 3