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# Autonomy and Good Governance

- What Autonomy means in view of:
  - Commercial Interests
  - Government funding
- Good Governance, a tool to:
  - Earn respect
  - Deserve autonomy

# Relationships between Olympic Stakeholders

- The IOC is an NOC driven organisation
- IFs major role in the success of the Olympic Games
- Review and rebalance the co-operation and the consistency between major stakeholders, NOCs and IFs, is in the long term interest of the IOC

## National Federations

- Recognition of the vital role in the foundation of sporting excellence
- Links with NOCs and IFs more:
  - Consistent
  - Related to respective missions

Goals are similar, content and timing are different and this brings distortion

## **IFs and National Federations**

- Strong consistent and ongoing partnership:
  - Regulatory
  - Development
  - International Competition

## **NOCs and National Federations**

- Relationships vary country by country but in general:
  - Preparation of the Games
  - Support development in the country

# Olympic Qualification System

- Recognise the right of NOCs to be the entry authority, but:
- Olympic Games profile should be at the top of each sport
- Entry systems set by IFs and ratified by IOC, must be in line with widely recognised sporting standards
- Top athletes will never consider credible an eligibility system where criteria are different country by country

# Olympic Revenue Distribution

- Increasing professionalism of sport causes exposure for IFs
  - Additional cost to defend integrity of sport
    - Regulations / Technical
    - Anti-Doping
    - Anti-Corruption
  - Threat of commercial interest to professional competition
- IOC interest is to have strongly equipped and organised IFs to better control the sport at all levels

## IOC Membership

- Continuation of the 2000 Reform efforts attaining a new structure of the IOC as a “World Sport Parliament”
- Address the imbalance of representation between the major groups (IOC / NOC / IFs / Athletes)
- Gradually eliminate the disparity between different categories of members (re-election / terms / age limit)



# Conclusions

- Analyse and define the concept of Autonomy in Sport
- Establish a set of basic, mandatory Governance principles
- Better recognise the roles of National Federations as a common foundation for IFs and NOCS
- Clarify the Olympic Charter in terms of the Qualification Systems to avoid different positions between NOCs and IFs
- Review Revenue Distribution System as soon as contractually possible to better support the major stakeholders IFs and NOCs
- Endeavour to achieve a balanced representation of the major groups through revised IOC Membership Elections and an equality in the terms of office



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