

## Commission Remits 2017-18 / Foot Orienteering Commission

The vision of the International Orienteering Federation (IOF) is that orienteering is included in the Olympic and Paralympic Games. The goals and strategic initiatives presented in Strategic Directions will promote the realisation of this vision. The actions required to implement the strategy are contained in the Council Activity Plan and the tasks of IOF Commissions. The IOF is, by its Statutes, obliged to respect and abide by the Olympic Charter and the provisions of the World Anti-Doping Code and to respect and implement the Olympic Movements Agenda 21 on protection of the environment and sustainable development.

Area of responsibility	Owner-ship	Task	Special tasks for 2017	Responsible members
<b>Activity Plan 1: FOCUS ON KEY OUTCOMES</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The IOF shall have 75 viable members</li> <li>• The IOF shall encourage growth in participation in all its member federations</li> <li>• All members organise national championship in at least one recognised IOF discipline</li> <li>• 65 members take part in World Orienteering Championships</li> <li>• The IOF shall work with Regional Working Groups to agree on regional development plans appropriate to the needs and potential of each region</li> <li>• The IOF shall regularly plan and stage major IOF events outside Europe</li> <li>• The IOF shall promote and further enhance the environmental sustainability of orienteering</li> </ul>				
<b>Event Planning</b>	F	Long term planning of the Event Programme. This includes a vision of where events should take place for competitive, political and development reasons.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement the IOF General Assembly 2016 decisions on new competition programme and develop the new (3<sup>rd</sup> format) to Sprint WOC</li> <li>• Establish a mid-term plan for allocation of IOF major events as basis for discussions with potential candidates</li> <li>• Cooperate with the Athlete's Commission and coaches of national teams in Special Rules</li> </ul>	MKH, HLP, AL, TD, BT, JM
	F	Assessment of event applications for major IOF events including timely proposals to Council on appointment of organisers.		
<b>Rules</b>	P	Regularly ensure that the rules are evolving harmoniously with the development of the discipline and its formats. Prepare, as necessary, rules amendments, in consultation with the Rules Commission, for Council approval.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cooperate with the IT Commission to develop punching systems, timing systems and result management systems (Eventor), in relation to IOF events (WRE to WOC)</li> <li>• Propose rules changes for 2018 IOF Competition Rules to the Council by 16.10.2017</li> </ul>	USK, DM, BT, JM

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support the Rules Commission in rules harmonisation and development work</li> <li>• Create Special Rules for World Cup 2018</li> <li>• Update the WOC qualification rules</li> </ul>	
<b>Event Quality</b>	P	Ensure Event Quality requirements are implemented for IOF major events in accordance with required standards.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supervise events on site, give input to organisers, SEAs, etc. and gather input on site from competitors, coaches, etc.</li> </ul>	HLP, MKH, USK, JM, DM, BT, AL, TD, PM, KI
	P	Regularly check that the map standards are evolving harmoniously with the development of the discipline and its formats.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suggest changes and clarifications to the Map Commission.</li> <li>• Collaborate with the Map Commission in monitoring map quality of IOF events</li> </ul>	
	P	Selection, training and maintenance of a sufficient number of SEAs. Support Rules Commission to improve the basic education and licensing of Event Advisers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organise, in close cooperation with the IOF Office, a High Level Event Seminar for the higher education of organisers and SEAs in February 2017</li> <li>• Propose Event Advisers and Senior Event Advisers for major IOF events for Council approval</li> </ul>	
	P	Ensure that the organisation of events follows IOF regulations and support the Event Adviser and find solutions when problems occur. Appointed SEA's report back to the Commission. If issues are unable to be resolved they are forwarded to the IOF Council. Rules deviations are to be handled by the Commission and sent to the IOF Council for approval.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assess event reports from organisers and Event Advisers</li> <li>• Ensure Event Quality requirements are implemented for IOF major events in accordance with required standards</li> </ul>	
	F	Maintain the various applicants' and organiser's guidelines for the specific events for which the commission has responsibility.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update organisers guidelines for WOC, World Cup, JWOC, WMOC and WRE</li> </ul>	HLP, MKH, USK, DM
<b>Activity Plan 2: INCREASE THE ATTRACTIVENESS OF ORIENTEERING TO YOUNG PEOPLE</b>				
To foster innovation in our sport and to spread it to new countries, the IOF and the regions must promote youth orienteering, i.e. orienteering must be made more attractive to young people. This strategic initiative is an investment in the future. The IOF shall therefore:				

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop innovative measures and strategies to improve the attractiveness of orienteering to young people</li> <li>• Engage young people in the IOF values and encourage participation in orienteering at all levels</li> <li>• Seek inclusion in international youth games</li> </ul> <p>Promote improved accessibility of orienteering activities and events</p>				
<b>Youth Promotion</b>	P	Support Council and the IOF Office in seeking inclusion in the Youth Olympic Games.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seek inclusion in the Youth Olympic Games</li> </ul>	BT, KI, AL
	P	Encourage IOF regions to conduct regional youth/junior competitions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support the RYDC to introduce orienteering in new countries and territories, and encourage IOF regions to conduct regional youth/junior competitions</li> </ul>	
<b>Activity Plan 3: STRENGTHEN THE IOF POSITION ON THE WORLD SPORTING STAGE</b>				
<p>To promote orienteering in the world sporting community, the IOF must foster an international awareness that orienteering is a sport that adds value to the community. The IOF shall therefore:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prioritise the development of the World Orienteering Championships as our major platform for the world-wide projection of the sport</li> <li>• Strengthen the position in multi-sport Games where orienteering is on the programme</li> <li>• Build further the relations with the IOC and other international sporting organisations</li> <li>• Communicate our position and values in the world sporting community</li> <li>• Seek inclusion in further multi-sport games</li> <li>• Seek election to boards of international sporting organisations</li> </ul>				
<b>Event Development</b>	F	Actively develop competition formats for IOF major events. Monitor new event format developments and possibly recommend changes for Council approval.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analyse WOC reports and implement modifications if required to WOC organiser guidelines to further strengthen WOCs</li> <li>• Develop plans for maximising the impact of orienteering in the 2017 World Games and World Masters Games</li> <li>• Provide application guidelines to the IOF Office for IOF major events by 31.8.2017</li> <li>• Identify relevant world and regional multi-sports games which might include orienteering</li> </ul>	AL, HLP, MKH, USK, DM, BT, KI, TD, JM, PM
	P	Support the development of regional events in line with IOF policy for regional development.		
	P	Support the Council in seeking inclusion in further multi-sport games.		
	P	Address the IOC evaluation criteria systematically.		

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<b>Activity Plan 4: INCREASE THE VISIBILITY OF ORIENTEERING</b>				
<p>To increase the visibility of our sport, the IOF needs to work in various dimensions such as sport events, sport governing organisations, marketing businesses, as well as the public sector. The IOF shall explore new means to achieve visibility and shall therefore:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research and aspire to establish new commercial partnerships (e.g. event management, media, promotion agencies, sponsoring research)</li> <li>• Make the World Orienteering Championships attractive to additional commercial partners</li> <li>• Create a multi-media action plan (technology, production, distribution, commercialisation) that will deliver wide distribution of high quality TV coverage of our major events</li> <li>• Find ways to present orienteering to non-participants in an attractive way (create sport entertainment)</li> <li>• Provide support for professional presentation of events</li> <li>• Be an active partner with organisers in event planning and execution, to ensure maximum benefit at the international level</li> </ul>				
<b>Visibility of Orienteering</b>	P	Work in close co-operation with the IOF Office to maintain and develop the World Orienteering Championships attractive to commercial partners.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support maintenance of appropriate sponsorship guidelines for major IOF events</li> <li>• Ensure WOC guidelines are reflective of best practice (as far as technical parts are concerned) in the organisation of the World Championships</li> </ul>	MKH, AL, BT, DM
	P	Promote and support professional arena production for World Championships and World Cup events.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support professional arena production for World Championships and World Cup events via event planning and execution</li> </ul>	
	P	In co-operation with Council, ensure IOF representation at all major events of the discipline where practicable.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinate with Council representation at major IOF events</li> </ul>	
	P	Support to develop the IOF Live Orienteering for the live GPS-tracking and split times from IOF major events.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support Council in planning the events programme for the IOF Live Orienteering</li> </ul>	
<b>Activity Plan 5: STRONG MANAGEMENT AND FUNDING</b>				
<p>To secure implementation of the strategic initiatives, the IOF must strengthen its management and financial capabilities. The IOF shall therefore:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strengthen the capacity and capability of both its professional and voluntary resources</li> <li>• Increase its professional human resources in the marketing, TV and other media and public relations domains</li> <li>• Increase external income</li> </ul>				
<b>Strong management</b>	P	Organise work inside commission according to the concept of teamwork in	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determine the Teams inside Commission according to the IOF Council Guidelines</li> </ul>	AL, BT, HLP

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		IOF.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide Team members with clear vision of tasks and responsibilities</li> <li>• Agree on the basic tenets of cooperation between teams and monitor compliance therewith</li> </ul>	
	P	Work in close co-operation with the IOF Office and the IOF Council.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuously exchange information with the IOF Office and IOF Council supporting Team supervising the discipline</li> </ul>	

### Commission members:

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