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To the president of JJIF, Mister Panagiotis
To the Director general Mister Thumfart
To the TC and the manager of the TC
To the JJIF Board

Nieuwegein, the Netherlands July 26th 2021

Concerns: Proposal with changes

Dear friends,

JJEU board and directors wants to add to the agenda of the congress the next proposal

Proposal 2:

Proposal to slightly adjust the JJIF Qualification method (only regarding the deduction of the points after 12 and 18 months)

Background: At present, the Qualification method of the JJIF involves the reduction of points earned by an athlete during the qualification period, based on the time interval lapsed between the respective event and the end of the qualification period (25% reduction after the first 12 months, 50% reduction after 18 months). This method gives greater weight to the date of the events than to their importance. The JJIF Qualification method recommends, but does not impose the organization of Continental Championships in February or March each year. The Unions which do not follow this recommendation have an advantage in the qualification.

Continuing to apply a smaller deduction to points earned at events organized in the second part of the year brings forth several issues:

- very busy competition calendar in the second part of the year and less important tournaments in the first half;
- increased risk of accidents, given that Grand Slams, Continental and World Championships are organized over a period of 4-5 months;
- unbalanced preparation of the athletes in order to reach training peaks very soon one after another;
- inability of an athlete injured in the first important event of the year to recover and attend the other events, given the short time between the tournaments.

In order to provide athletes from all continents with the same fair chance to qualify for the World Games and other multi-sport events in which the JJIF is involved, the JJEU proposes that all Continental Championships should award the same number of points in a given qualification year, regardless of when they took place during that respective year and all Grand Slams, on all continents, should award the same number of points in a given qualification year, regardless of when they took place during that respective year.

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We believe that this distribution of points is fairer and gives all athletes a better chance to qualify, allowing continental unions to schedule their Grand Slams and Continental Championships according to their individual particularities (school and work holiday periods, weather conditions, financing opportunities etc.).

Proposal text:

Replace, under heading "Ranking system", under the table on page 4, as follows:

Old text: "The points of each individual tournament will expire as follows: In the first 12 months after the tournament the points will count 100%. After 12 months the points will be reduced to 75%. After 18 months the points will be reduced to 50%. After 24 months the points will be reduced to 0 and not counted and taken into consideration anymore."

New text: "The points of each individual tournament will expire as follows: In the first 12 months after the tournament the points will count 100%. After 12 months the points will be reduced to 75%. After 24 months the points will be reduced to 0 and not counted and taken into consideration anymore".

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