



Goal of the session: to get to know the IOF



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# Who or what is the IOF?

## Structure and Direction

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## **Structure**

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## **Role and Constitution**

- The IOF is made up of the national orienteering federations that have been admitted to membership
- The IOF is the supreme authority on all matters relating to international orienteering
- The IOF is recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC)
- Since 1997, the IOF has been registered in Helsinki, Finland

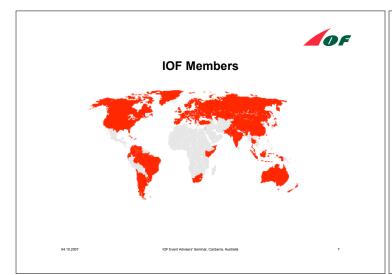


## Membership



- The IOF recognises two categories of member
  - Full member ▶ 48 federations
  - Associate member > 21 federations
- Rights of full members
  - Active participation in IOF General Assembly
     Participation in IOF events

  - Organisation of IOF major events
- Rights of associate members
  - Non-voting participation in IOF General Assembly
  - Participation in IOF events other than WOC and WCup Organisation of IOF events other than WOC and WCup
- Membership fees depend on participation/financial strength of the country



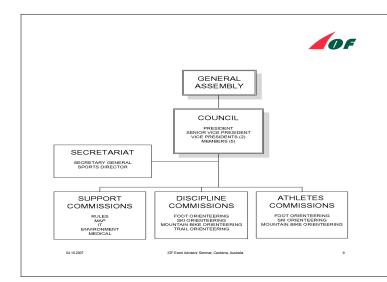


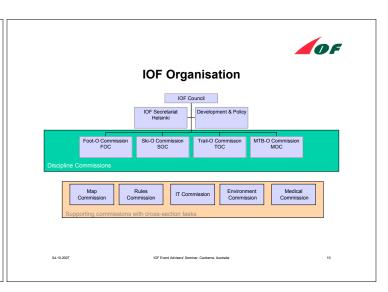
## The Organisation

- General Assembly
  - Decisive body of the IOF
  - Convened biennially 2000 Leibnitz (AUT), 2002 Fontainebleau (FRA), 2004 Västerås (SWE), 2006 Aarhus (DEN), 2008 Olomouc (CZE)
  - Agenda as per IOF statutes
- Council
- Discipline Commissions
- Support Commissions
- Secretariat
- Presidents' Conference
  - Meets biennially ▶ 2001 Tampere (FIN), 2003 Rapperswil (SUI), 2005 Aichi (JPN), 2007 Kiew (UKR)
  - Advisory

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## **IOF Council**

- The IOF Council leads the IOF between General Assemblies
- Members are elected by the IOF General Assembly
  - President, Senior Vice President, Vice Presidents (2), total 9



- Election period 2 years
- Political and strategic leadership of IOF
  - All decisions must be published by Council
  - Commissions propose/recommend to Council

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## Discipline Commissions Foot-O, Ski-O, Trail-O, MTB-O

- Members are appointed by Council
- Period 2 years
- Commissions are responsible for the development of the discipline
  - Supervision of World Championships and other IOF international competitions
    - Schedule of events, assessment and appointment of organisers
  - Coaching of organisers and IOF advisers
  - Draw up guidelines for organisers, advisers, applicants
  - Co-operate with Rules Commission in preparing rules
  - Seminars, training, organisation of contacts
  - Support development of media work

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# Inter-disciplinary Commissions Map, Rules, Environment, ITC

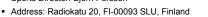
- Map Commission (MC)
  - All map related issues
- Rules Commission (RC)
  - IOF competition rules, special rules
  - Harmonisation across all disciplines
  - Basic education of IOF event advisers
  - Appointment of EAs
- Environmental Commission (EC)
  - Support for and co-ordination between respective bodies in IOF federations
- IT Commission (ITC)
  - Timing, electronic punching, web-casting projects
  - Support in arena production project

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## **IOF Secretariat**

- Legal location of IOF
- Support for Council and all commissions
- IOF finances
- Connecting link between the IOF, its members, Council members, commission and outside organisations
  - Relations with other international sports organisation
- Secretary General: Barbro Rönnberg Sports Director: Björn Persson



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## **TOF**

## Aims

- The aims of the IOF
  - To spread orienteering and to promote its development
  - To conform with and to respect the Olympic Charter
  - To create and maintain a world event programme

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**Directions** 

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## Tasks

- The tasks of the IOF
  - To commission and supervise World Championships and other IOF events in recognised disciplines of orienteering
  - To maintain universal rules and guidelines for orienteering and to supervise their proper application - partly via IOF Event Advisers
  - To maintain cordial relation with other international sports organisation and to represent the interests of orienteering in its dealing with these

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# IOF Strategy 2006 - 2012 VISION KEY GOALS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES PRESENCE, CREDIBILITY AND RECOGNITION ON THE WORLD SPORTING STAGE CREDIBILITY AS A WORLD-WIDE SPORT ON TOWARDS CIVENTS OF STRONG MANAGEMENT AND FUNDING CREDIBILITY AS A WORLD-WIDE SPORT ON 15207 KOF Evert Adulter's Sentrar, Australia 19

## Vision

Orienteering is recognised

as a truly global sport, attractive to all, having presence and credibility on the world

sporting stage;

included in the Olympic Summer and Winter

Games





Key Goals 2006 - 2012

## Orienteering a global sport

- 75 members by 2008
- 80 members by 2012
- at least 70% are full members:
   53 in 2008 and 56 in 2012

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## Key Goals 2006 - 2012

## A world series of events with increased attraction value

- World Championships and World Cup meet quality standards in terms of event concept and arena production
- All major events covered by international TV broadcasting networks
- At least two World Cup events per Olympiad outside Europe

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## Key Goals 2006 - 2012

## Presence and credibility on the world sporting stage

- Strengthen our presence at the World Games and the World Masters Games
- Seek inclusion in the Olympic Games, regional and other multi-sport games
- Maintain and extend presence of IOF personnel on multi-sport bodies
- Credibility on world sporting stage as defined by IOC evaluation criteria

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### **Strategic Initiatives** - provide support to build sustainable regional capacity promote regional co-operation encourage individual member federations to support new countries recognise, co-operate with individuals and groups engaged in development. 1. Regional development and co-operation development ensure IOF events are regularly staged around the world develop, describe the essential elements of an event concept that will create "attraction value" create sport entertainment develop contacts with TV broadcasting companies and networks 2. Attractive world events provide support to ensure professional presentation of the event be an active partner with organisers in event planning and execution maintain present representation on international sporting bodies seek representation on other international sporting bodies seek inclusion in regional and other multi-sport games Utilise the IOC document Evaluation Criteria for Sports and 3 Promotion and marketing towards Olympic inclusion Disciplines to guide planning - increase professional human resources 4. Strong management - increase income to realise strategic initiatives - refine management tools



## **Code of Ethics**

Four Elements





## Equality

- Discrimination and harassment against others on grounds of race, disability, marital status, sex, sexuality, age, political or religious conviction are not condoned in Orienteering.
- All forms of harassment, be they physical, mental, professional or sexual are strictly prohibited.
- Orienteering promotes the inclusion of men and women equally.

## Fair Play

- Fair play is the guiding principle in the sport of Orienteering. It is expected that all persons taking part in orienteering shall behave with fairness and honesty.
- All persons shall operate within and abide by the rules of the sport.
- Orienteering is committed to being a drug free sport.

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## Respect

- Orienteering shall be characterised by mutual respect and selfresponsibility. All persons involved in orienteering shall be treated with dignity and consideration.
- The contribution that people make to the sport shall be recognised.
- In pursuing the sport's goals, the governance of Orienteering shall be mindful of the physical and psychological well-being of its athletes.
- Violence and abusive behaviour are not to be tolerated.
- Orienteering is respectful of the natural environment.

Integrity

- All persons subject to this code shall use due care and diligence in fulfilling their roles for, and on behalf of, the IOF or Orienteering generally
- Decisions by the IOF should be made in accordance with established procedures, objectively, fairly and with honesty and integrity.
- In using resources, personnel should strive for economy, efficiency and environmentally friendly.
- Conflicts of interest should be avoided.

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