

RE: World Boxing Membership Invitation

Dear National Federation President and General Secretary:

We, the Interim Executive Board of Directors for World Boxing, hereby extend to you an invitation to join the movement that will keep boxing Olympic and lay the foundation to protect our athletes' future!

You are cordially invited to apply, on behalf of your National Federation, for membership of World Boxing—a new non-profit entity headquartered in Switzerland which has been set-up to govern Olympic-style boxing, Paralympic boxing, and E-sport boxing worldwide.

World Boxing aims to put the interests of boxers first and ensure that boxing remains at the heart of the Olympic movement. It has been established by a group of like-minded National Federations from across the world in response to the persistent issues surrounding boxing's international governing body, whose failure to address the IOC's longstanding concerns over sporting integrity, governance, transparency and financial management has placed boxing's future as an Olympic sport in doubt.

World Boxing offers an alternative to this and has been founded on the principles of integrity, honesty and excellence. It is underpinned by rigorous governance practices and aims to create a sustainable and inclusive global sporting structure where boxers from around the world can compete and excel knowing that the integrity of the sport is guaranteed and competition is fair.

Retaining boxing's status as an Olympic sport is central to the work of World Boxing which has been created with the goal of obtaining IOC recognition as the International Federation governing boxing prior to the 2024 Olympic Games. It will operate in accordance with the principles of good governance, fair play, transparency, and competitive excellence while ensuring compliance with IOC and ASOIF guidelines for International Federations.

This invitation welcomes you and your National Federation as a key voice in shaping the future of Olympic boxing. World Boxing's statutes, executive board composition, and other aspects of governance will be shaped by leaders like you in preparation for the Inaugural World Boxing Congress which is due to be held in the latter part of 2023. This Congress, along with ensuring competition for our athletes in preparation for Olympic Qualification, are World Boxing's immediate priorities. Please consider this invitation as a request to make your voice heard!

As you ponder this opportunity, please consider steps your National Federation may need to take in order to join World Boxing:

- 1. Please review your constitutional documents (e.g., charter, constitution, statutes, articles of incorporation, bylaws, etc.) to determine whether they require amendment to expressly allow association with World Boxing. Changes may be required.
- 2. At the appropriate time, please review your constitutional documents to ensure the adoption of or use of World Boxing rules for competition.
- 3. Please work with your National Olympic Committee to attain formal recognition of World Boxing as an International Federation for purposes of Olympic-style boxing, Paralympic boxing and E-Sport boxing.
- 4. World Boxing will be providing a process of certification for Referees and Judges in due course. Please enable and support your Referees and Judges and Technical Officials from your National Federation



through this process at the appropriate time, so that they may participate in World Boxing competitions and activities.

- 5. A process of registration for boxers will be provided in due course. At the appropriate time, please enable boxers from your National Federation to enroll with World Boxing, so they may participate in World Boxing competitions and activities and to support the future of Olympic boxing.
- 6. Other changes may be required to comply with the laws of a given National Federation's country. It would be helpful to consult with your own counsel to understand what other actions may be required.

Attached to this welcome letter, you will find the following supporting materials:

- Membership Application Submission required on behalf of your National Federation to join World Boxing
- World Boxing Background Information regarding the mission, vision, goals, and differentiating factors for World Boxing
- 2023 Roadmap Key activities required to prepare World Boxing for its Inaugural Congress, including planned competitions and deadlines
- **Current Interim Statutes** We welcome views that will help shape the final statutes that will be ratified at the inaugural Congress
- **Key Governance Documents** Including Code of Ethics, Conflict of Interest, Code of Conduct, Prevention of Manipulation, and other key interim documents
- You can find other supporting information at our website, <u>http://www.worldboxing.org</u>

Thank you for your consideration, and we look forward to working with you to shape boxing's Olympic future!

Yours sincerely,

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