

WORLD BOXING

MONTHLY UPDATE · JULY 2026

Dear Members and Partners,

It is a pleasure to share with you the first edition of what will now be a regular update from World Boxing. Each month, this newsletter will bring you the latest from across our organisation: decisions taken by our leadership, progress in our governance and Olympic engagement, and news from the wider boxing family we are proud to serve.

This publication reflects our commitment to open and regular communication with our member federations, athletes, and partners, as boxing looks ahead to LA28 and works toward full recognition and inclusion in the Brisbane 2032 programme. We hope you find it useful, and we welcome your feedback as this newsletter grows alongside our organisation.

Thank you for being part of this journey with us.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Quarterly · Q3 2026



Gennadiy GOLOVKIN
President

This has been a defining quarter for World Boxing. At our Extraordinary Congress, our members strengthened the way the organisation is governed: an independent Ethics Committee, written into our constitution, and our accounts independently audited. These are important steps, and there is more work ahead. We do this with one focus above all — our boxers. This is the direction we are committed to, and we are moving steadily. My thanks to our members for their trust.

“We do this with one focus above all — our boxers.”

THIS MONTH'S HEADLINE



Extraordinary Congress strengthens governance with new Ethics Committee

World Boxing's member federations approved a series of measures further strengthening the organisation's governance framework. Held fully online, the Congress adopted a constitutional amendment establishing a permanent, independent Ethics Committee, confirmed its members, and approved external auditors for the 2025 accounts. Each was carried with overwhelming support.

[Read the full story →](#)

DECISIONS & GOVERNANCE IN BRIEF

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MEMBER
FEDERATIONS

Four further applications are completing this month, taking World Boxing's membership base further still.

- Independent ethics oversight anchored in the constitution — the Committee is appointed by Congress on the Board's recommendation, replacing the previous ad interim body.
- New Ethics Committee confirmed, chaired by Margot FOSTER, taking office 2 July.
- Nexio Fiduciaire SA approved as auditors for the 2025 accounts.
- 2025 Annual Report published. Key figures from the year and a benchmark for 2026.

SECRETARY GENERAL'S UPDATE

Monthly · Olympic Movement & Engagement



Tom DIELEN
Secretary General

This has been a month of significant engagement across the Olympic Movement. World Boxing was represented at the 146th IOC Session, and we have continued our dialogue with the IOC and our partners as we work toward full recognition and the LA28 Games.

146TH IOC SESSION & THE FUTURE PROGRAMME

World Boxing was represented at the 146th IOC Session in Lausanne on 24–25 June, where the process for shaping the future Olympic programme was set out. Governance will be the first stage of the evaluation — a clear message to every International Federation. I am confident that, if we continue the work we have begun, World Boxing will be well positioned to secure boxing's place on the programme of future Olympic Games.

ASOIF GOVERNANCE REVIEW

In June, ASOIF published its latest governance review of member federations. World Boxing was assessed at an early stage of its development, and our result reflects that. I would highlight two points. First, ASOIF recognised our strength in the areas we had chosen to prioritise. Second, our own self-assessment was within a single point of theirs, which shows we understand our position clearly and are not overstating our progress. A dedicated working group is now taking us to the required standard, and we anticipate a re-evaluation in August that should place us comfortably within the range expected of associate members.

SEX ELIGIBILITY POLICY

The Medical Committee's subcommittee on sex eligibility met to consider improvements to our current policy, and recommendations will follow to the next Executive Board. Following this, World Boxing was represented by Dr Ingrid CARTER at a meeting of the IOC on the same subject. World Boxing is among the International Federations most advanced on this matter, though that does not mean we have every answer yet.

IN THE MOVEMENT

On 7 July 2026, the IOC Executive Board provisionally lifted the suspension of the Russian Olympic Committee and confirmed that its recommendations to International Federations on the participation of athletes with a Russian passport no longer apply. The IOC has emphasised that International Federations remain autonomous in their own decisions. World Boxing is reviewing the implications for its regulations.

Source: [IOC](#), 7 July 2026

MEET THE WORLD BOXING TEAM

Our Lausanne office is growing, and we want you to know the people behind it.

Paulo FERREIRA · Events Director

Brings senior experience from international events, with deep expertise in strategic planning and a broad understanding of Olympic sports that will benefit our events and competitions.

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Fabienne DELLENBACH · Finance & HR

Brings HR experience from the City of Paris and a major Swiss security firm, together with a finance background developed in Berlin. For any question about membership fees, she is the person to contact.

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Sandrine BLATTER · Office Manager

Keeps the office running as Office Manager. She has worked across sport and business as an executive assistant, office manager and project manager, and has worked alongside our Secretary General in previous roles.

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Marta HEINEN · Sports & Administration Coordinator

Joined us in May. A former tennis player, she worked at the Paris 2024 hockey competition before moving to the IOC's athletes' department, and was part of the Milan-Cortina Winter Games. Some of you may already have met her at the World Cup in Guiyang.

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Julien DEUX · Governance, Integrity & Legal (from September)

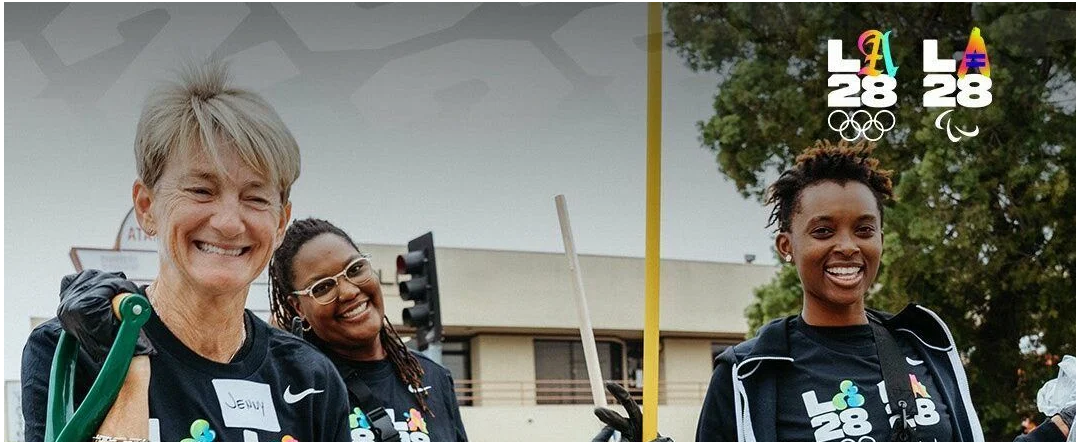
Joins us in September to lead Governance, Integrity and Legal. He comes from the legal and disciplinary departments of FIFA and UCI, precisely the experience that matters as we build our governance to the standard the Olympic Movement expects.

A NOTE TO MEMBERS

- An SRY test is required for every boxer, women and men, aged 18 and over, at all World Boxing events.
- Please also take a moment to confirm that your organisation's contact details are up

to date; our Office Manager can provide a short form for this purpose.

- On membership fees: payment of any outstanding fees is required to participate in any Q4 2026 competition (deadline: 20 September 2026).
- World Boxing 2026 Panama Congress: voting rights will be given only to full members that have paid any outstanding fees and completed voting delegate registration. For any question, please contact Sandrine BLATTER at sblatter@worldboxing.org.



LA28 Volunteer Programme Now Open

The LA28 Volunteer Programme launched on 14 July, and boxing's community is warmly encouraged to take part. To apply, use the code **SPQ6QLF0** when registering on the LA28 Volunteer Programme, where you will find full information and answers to common questions.

[Register to Volunteer →](#)

Please note: the code does not guarantee a volunteer role, nor is it required in order to apply. It is intended for individual use and should not be shared or circulated widely.

IN THE RING — BOXING AT THE COMMONWEALTH GAMES — GLASGOW 2026



Boxing events take place at the Scottish Event Campus (SEC), Glasgow, from 24 July to 1 August.

Preliminary rounds: 24–27 July

Quarter-finals: 28–29 July

Semi-finals: 31 July

Finals & medal ceremonies: 1 August

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