6. BEACH VOLLEYBALL

6.1 GENERAL TERMS

The Beach Volleyball tournament shall be organised in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the "Fédération Internationale de volley-ball" (FIVB). In any dispute the French text shall be regarded as authoritative.

The programme and duration of competitions are fixed by the Executive Committee in agreement with the Organising Committee and the CTI. The competitions shall last five (5) days and include:

- One (1) men's tournament: a maximum of thirty-two (32) teams
- One (1) women's tournament: a maximum of thirty-two (32) teams

For each tournament, each country is authorised to present two (2) teams of two (2) players without substitutes. Two doublets maximum per country and per gender may be presented.

Countries entering two (2) competitors may include a maximum of two (2) officials in their delegation.

Countries entering four (4) or more competitors may include a maximum of five (5) officials in their delegation.

Each team shall inform FISU and the Organising Committee of their team composition at the latest 14 days prior to the competition.

At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or his/her representative shall confirm and sign the official list of competitors accredited by the CIC.

6.2 PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

The countries participating in the beach volleyball tournament(s) shall pay a deposit (Art. 5.4.4) of EUR 500 per team to guarantee registration.

6.2.1 Seeding procedure

Two teams of the same country cannot be drawn in the same pool

- a. Hosting country team #1 will be seeded #1;
- b. Medallists of the last WUC will be seeded #2, #3 and #4;
- c. FIVB individual ranking points will be used to determine the following seeds:
- d. For the remaining teams with no ranking points, the positions will be drawn.

6.2.2 Competition format

Phase 1:

Round robin pools of 4. First 3 of each pool go to 24 single elimination bracket. The 4th of each group plays ranking games from 25 to 32.

Phase 2:

- 24 single elimination bracket
- Ranking games from 5 to 24
- Ranking games from 25 to 32

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6.3 TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

6.3.1 Nomination and costs

Referees shall be appointed jointly by FIVB and the FISU Technical Delegate. The participating delegations shall bear their costs of travel and board in proportion to the number of teams registered (from two (2) days before the opening ceremony to one (1) day after the closing ceremony).

Other costs are referenced in the FISU – FIVB partnership agreement.

The Organising Committee shall announce the exact sum shortly after the closing date for nominative entries (one (1) month before the beginning of the World University Championship).

6.3.2 <u>Number of technical officials needed and qualification</u>

One FIVB Referee Delegate, who may be accompanied by a FIVB Technical Supervisor. 4 referees per court shall be appointed.

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