



# INTERNATIONAL JUDO FEDERATION FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE JUDO FEDERACION INTERNACIONAL DE JUDO

MERIDJA Mohamed  
Education and Coaching Director

Comité Olympique Algérien Rue Lakhdar Manaa BP 460 Ben Aknoun 16306 Algeria  
Tél/Fax. : +213 21 92 39 19 / +213 21 79 11 56 E-mail : meridjajudoecc@yahoo.fr

29th April 2017

*Dear President,*

*In accordance to IJF statutes (point 11.13) and IJF's President recommendations, The Education Commission is activeley working on the renewal of the IJF Athletes Commission for the next World Championships which will be held in Budapest, Hungary.*

## **I/ Composition:**

The Athletes Commission will be the linking body between active athletes and the IJF.

The AC has 9 members, including active and retired athletes :

-5 members are elected for four years during the World Championships following the Olympic Games, 1 member for each Continental Union.

-4 athletes are appointed by the IJF Executive Committee for the four years period.

The 9 members of the AC elect a chairman among themselves ;

The Chairman of the AC becomes an auxiliary member of the IJF EC and is invited to attend the EC meetings for agenda related to AC.

## **II/Areas of Responsibilities :**

-The Athletes Commission meets with IJF Executive Committee and issues its recommendations.

-The AC shall be involved in the preparation of each World Championships to ensure that athletes needs and expectations are met.

-The AC works on the education of athletes and preparation for their professional lives after their sporting career.

-The AC shall work in increasing women's participation in judo sport.

## **III/Eligibility:**

In order to be eligible :

-The candidates must be 18 or older on the date of elections.

-The candidates must have participated either in the Olympic Games or the World Championships and never been found guilty of a doping offence during their sporting career.

## **Elections :**

Only The National Federation affiliated to the IJF may propose 1 candidate.

The votes have to be cast for five different athletes from the list of candidates.

The athlete with the highest vote in each Continental Union becomes a member of the AC for his Union.

## **Organisation of the elections:**

Every NF affiliated to the IJF can present a candidate 3 months ahead of the World Championships of Budapest, Hungary. Each NF affiliated to IJF is entitled to submit one candidate.

A list of candidates will be published at least 2 weeks prior to the World Championships of Budapest, Hungary 2017.

**The deadline for candidatures will be 3 weeks prior to the World Championships of Budapest, Hungary.**

Athletes can cast their votes on the days of the individual competitions of the World Championships. Only accredited athletes can vote, each athlete will receive his ballot in the check in area. The voting is secret.

The organization of elections on the spot will be the responsibility of the IJF General Secretary /GS/ and the Education Commission with the assistance of the organizers of the World Championships.

The GS and the Education Commission with the organizers will determine the number and location of ballot boxes, supervising volunteers and time schedule of voting. The ballot boxes will be placed in the check in area.

The IJF EC will name the scrutinizers.

Election results will be announced on the last day of the individual competition and the AC members will be introduced publicly (e.g. before a final block or a medal ceremony).