# Congress

# The 2015 IFAF Congress

Canton, Ohio









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# Overview

### The 2015 IFAF Congress

Hosted at the Marriott Courtyard Hotel in Canton.

#### Thank You

First and foremost it is appropriate that we state publicly our thanks to all those who have contributed to the staging of the IFAF World Championship and the IFAF Congress.

The Executive Board would like to pay tribute to: the staff of USA Football; the staff of the Pro Football Hall of Fame and Tom Benson Stadium; the IFAF Competitions Committee; the IFAF Officiating Committee; the IFAF Rules Committee; the staff at the Marriott Courtyard Hotel.

Finally, we would like to extend our gratitude to the teams, the officials and all those who deliver on the field to make the IFAF World Championship so special



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#### The Schedule of Activities

Bringing the world of football together

The IFAF Congress will see two days of activity which will shape the future of global football.

#### **IFAF Strategy Forum**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2015

Marriott Courtyard Hotel Ballroom

Commences at 13.00 - 17.00 hours

Open forum to discuss the shaping

of IFAF's 2016 - 2020 strategy.

Open to members. No delegation number restrictions.



#### **IFAF Congress**

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2015

Marriott Courtyard Hotel Ballroom

Commences at 09.30 hours

The official annual IFAF Congress. Each

Member shall have a one-vote right and can be
represented by a maximum of two delegates of
which only one may vote for that Member.



IFAF Strategy Forum

Nations will come together to discuss
the development of IFAF's strategy

Friday 17th July
IFAF Congress
Delegates from around the world discuss IFAF business



# IFAF Senior Vice President Mac Kaneuji

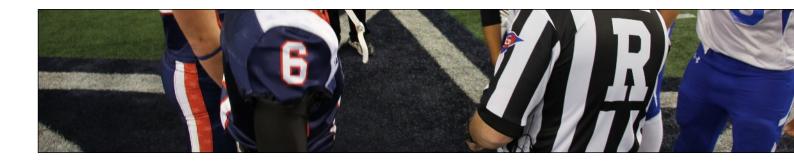
It is my great pleasure to welcome you to Canton for the 2015 IFAF Congress and the IFAF World Championship.

The Congress provides a tremendous opportunity for our members to come together and share experiences in the spirit of friendship and co-operation and for the betterment of football.

It is my hope that you will find both the Strategy Forum and Congress both informative and productive and I look forward to working with you all.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Mac Kaneuji IFAF Senior Vice President



#### **IFAF Strategy Forum**

Shaping World Football

On Thursday July 16<sup>th</sup> IFAF will hold its inaugural Strategy Forum. This event will see representatives from member nations come together to discuss a wide range of issues which will be at the heart of IFAF's new strategy.

The Forum is intended to become an annual event shaped by our members for the benefit of our members. The programme is intended to look at the key areas of IFAF's strategy with presentations and discussions.

It will be thought-provoking and idea-generating. We are committed to our ongoing programme of development at all levels of the game, and equally committed to modernising and innovating off the field.

The Forum will start at 13.00 hours with an introduction from the IFAF Managing Director Andy Fuller. This will be followed by a presentation by Nick Inzerello, Chair of the IFAF Technical Committee.

Further discussions will be chaired by Andy Fuller with the opportunity for members to contribute.

#### Topics will include:

- Athlete Development Pathways
- Coach Education
- Governance
- IFAF World Team
- · Women's Football
- · Welfare and Safeguarding
- The Olympic Values
- Anti Doping
- · Research and Insight
- IFAF Championship Hosting
- The Rules of the Game
- Officiating

#### Supporting the event will be:

- Dr Jim Briggs Chair of the Rules Committee
- Bill Lemonnier Chair of the Officiating Committee
- Shige Watanable Chair of the Competitions Committee



#### 2015 IFAF Congress Agenda

Congress commences at 09:30

- 1. Welcome and the opening of the Congress.
- 2. Roll Call of Attendees.
- 3. Appointment of Scrutineers.
- 4. Appointment of three delegates to whom the Minutes must be submitted to for checking before dispatch to the Members.
- 5. Approval of the Minutes from the preceding Congress.
- 6. Presentation by the Managing Director.
- 7. Presentation of the Report of the Executive Board covering the period of the last financial year.
- 8. Presentation of the Annual Report by the Treasurer.
- 9. Presentation of the Auditors' report.
- 10. Vote on the approval of the Reports of the Executive Board, the Treasurer and the Auditors.
- 11. Submission of the budget and the plan of action for the upcoming financial year proposed by the Executive Board.
- Vote on the approval of the budget and the plan of action.
- 13. Admission and/or resignation of Members.
- 14. Vote on any proposal or motion sent according to the Statutes and proposals by the Executive Board.

- Election of the IFAF President (in accordance with Article. 9) for the remainder of the current term until 2016
- 16. Election of the IFAF Secretary (in accordance with Article. 9) for the remainder of the current term until 2016.
- 17. Election of Auditor.
- 18. 2016 Congress.
- 19. Any Other Business.
- 20. Close of Congress.

The Congress Welcome will be given by Senior Vice President Mr. M. Kaneuji.





#### **Notes for Attendees**

#### The submission of Motions

Detailed overleaf are three Motions which were In respect of each of the three Motions the IFAF Executive submitted in advance of the required date.

The submissions came from the following nations:

Motion One: India Motion Two: Ireland Motion Three: Germany

The Motions are detailed as they were submitted with no Motion Three. The IFAF Executive Board recommends that deliberate changes to the text or format.

detailed position statement.

At the start of the Congress a criteria will be laid out which establishes the procedure for voting on each Motion.

Board position is as follows:

Motion One. The IFAF Executive Board recommends that the Congress rejects the Motion.

Motion Two. The IFAF Executive Board recommends that the Congress rejects the Motion.

Congress approves the principles behind the Motion but does not adopt the Motion as it stands. The IFAF Managing Prior to each Motion, the Executive Board will provide a Director will present recommendations in this area.



#### **Motion One**

#### Submitted by India

Due to the current situation in IFAF Executive Board we request you that the following points are included in the agenda for the upcoming IFAF congress July16th:

Vote of trust about IFAF President and in case he fails vote to remove him from office.

Vote of trust about IFAF Senior Vice President and in case he fails vote to remove him from office.

Vote of trust about IFAF Vice President and in case he fails vote to remove him from office.

Vote of trust about IFAF Treasurer and in case he fails vote to remove him from office

Vote of trust about IFAF Exbo representative from Africa and in case he fails vote to remove him from office.

Vote of trust about IFAF Exbo representative from Americas and in case he fails vote to remove him from office.

Vote of trust about IFAF Exbo representative from Asia and in case he fails vote to remove him from office.

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vote to remove him from office Vote of trust about IFAF Exbo representative from Oceania and in case he

fails vote to remove him from office.

Vote of trust about IFAF Exbo member Mr Orobio and in case he fails vote to remove him from office.

Vote of trust about IFAF Exbo member Mr Soumah and in case he fails vote to remove him from office.

Vote of trust about IFAF Exbo Athletes representative Mr Linden and in case he fails vote to remove him from office.

Vote of trust about IFAF Exbo Athletes representative Ms Salas and in case she fails vote to remove her from office

Than later in the agenda:

In case that the motion has passed: election of a new IFAF President for the remaining term 2015 to 2016.

In case that the motion has passed: election of a new IFAF Senior Vice President for the remaining term 2015 to 2016.

In case that the motion has passed: election of a new IFAF Vice President for the remaining term 2015 to 2016.

In case that the motion has passed: election of a new IFAF Treasurer for the remaining term 2015 to 2016.

In case that the motion has passed: election of a new IFAF Exbo representative from Africa for the remaining term 2015 to 2018.

In case that the motion has passed: election of a new IFAF Exbo representative from Americas for the remaining term 2015 to 2018.

In case that the motion has passed: election of a new IFAF Exbo representative from Asia for the remaining term 2015 to 2018.

In case that the motion has passed: election of a new IFAF Exbo representative from Europe for the remaining term 2015 to 2018.

In case that the motion has passed: election of a new IFAF Exbo representative from Oceania for the remaining term 2015 to 2018.

In case that the motion has passed: election of a new IFAF Exbo member for the remaining term 2015 to 2016.

In case that the motion has passed: election of a new IFAF Exbo member for the remaining term 2015 to 2016

In case that the motion has passed: election of a new IFAF Exbo Athletes male representative or the remaining term 2015 to 2016

In case that the motion has passed: election of a new IFAF Exbo Athletes female representative for the remaining term 2015 to 2016





#### **Motion Two**

#### Submitted by Ireland

following series of motions for the 2016 IFAF Congress:

- This Congress votes that IFAF requires emergency (a) measures to ensure it survival into the future.
- All persons in elected positions are to vacate their (b) positions.
- The members elect 6 people to an Emergency Committee (EC). The election method be by proportional representation. After the Congress the EC will appoint a 7th person to Chair the EC. This person is to be someone from outside American football with relevant experience at International level in sports administration. Persons who were elected to the most recently elected IFAF Presidium are not allowed be members of the EC.
- (d) The EC to be tasked with undertaking a comprehensive review of the IFAF Statutes with a view to recommending new Statutes for approval at the 2016 Congress. The 2016 Congress will be arranged by the EC. The new Statutes must reflect 'best practice' for a voluntary non-profit sports

- The Irish American Football Association proposes the organisation including appropriate accountability to the membership, appropriate financial controls/reporting and appropriate ethical requirements.
  - In undertaking the review of IFAF Statutes, the EC is required to undertake a consultation process with the members and stakeholders in advance of making its recommendations.
  - During the period of the review, all persons in administrative positions will remain in situ, however, they will be accountable to the EC.
  - The normal schedule of International Competitions is continued during the period of review.



#### **Motion Three**

#### Submitted by Germany

the German American Football Federation (AFVD) sends you a motion for the upcoming 2015 IFAF Congress in Canton, Ohio USA:

- 1. IFAF Congress is approving with immediate effect the attached
- a. IFAF Good Governance Policy in American Football
- b. IFAF Code of Ethics, please note that §6,2 and §6.3 are statute changes.
- c. IFAF Conflict of Interest/ Confidentiality Policy and Guidelines
- 2. IFAF Congess is electing the first IFAF Ethic Panel on the 2015 IFAF Congress at Canton (USA).

Documents pertaining this Motion are to be distributed alongside the Agenda.



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