

Agenda Item 3.5-a

Summary

Policy 1.13 IPPF Membership Categories has been updated along the new governance nomenclature and the new governance structure approved in December 2019 in New Delhi by the IPPF Governing Council. In order to better reflect the various components of this policy, the title has been changed to be IPPF affiliation categories policies taking into account the collaborative partners. Eligibility to core and restricted fundings has been amended to reflect the new resource allocation mechanism.

Next plans and timelines

This policy shall be reviewed in the next 18-24 months where the membership should be involved in designing a state of art policy that takes into account the various perspective around affiliation in the current era.

Action Required

BOT to consider and approve the amendments to Policy 1.13 IPPF Membership Categories and approve the change of its name.

Policy 1.13

IPPF AFFILIATION CATEGORIES

Rationale

1. This policy gives effect to the implementation of the IPPF affiliation categories (Members and Collaborative Partners) and makes clear the various responsibilities and privileges of Full, Associate Members and Collaborative Partners of IPPF.
2. The policy also provides the necessary steps to be followed by an existing Full Member which decides to become an Associate Member and also makes clear the way to handle the status of a non-member observer organization.

Introduction

3. IPPF is a volunteer led organization and has two categories of membership:
 - i. Full Membership
 - ii. Associate Membership
4. There are two types of Associate Members: Associate Member 1 (AM1) and Associate Member 2 (AM2). The responsibilities and privileges for these two types of Associate Members and also for Full Members and Collaborative Partners are clearly defined in the table below.

Implementation

5. Following adoption of this policy, any newly joining organization wishing to become a member will join as an Associate Member (AM1) and will need to make a decision about their future status within the Federation two years after being admitted. They will either:
 - a. go through an accreditation review with a time limit of three years to fully comply with the IPPF Standards and Responsibilities of Membership in order to become a Full Member; or
 - b. decide to join the second type of Associate Member (AM2).
6. Full Member Associations can become an Associate Member (AM2) under the following circumstances:

- i. a decision to change their membership status by the highest governing body of the Association
 - ii. a subsequent review of the application and recommendation by the Membership Committee to the Board of Trustees.
- 7. When a Full Member Association becomes an Associate Member (AM2), it will remain with that status for at least two years and will need to successfully go through an accreditation review should it wish in the future to become a Full Member, as per IPPF Act and Regulations.
- 8. Regional Directors have the responsibility to implement this policy and to inform the Director-General who will make the necessary recommendation on membership status to the Membership Committee as per the IPPF Act and Regulations.

9. Table summarizing the different types of affiliation with IPPF

	MEMBERS			PARTNERS	
PRINCIPLES	FULL MEMBER	ASSOCIATE MEMBER		NATIONAL/REGIONAL COLLABORATIVE PARTNERS	INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIVE PARTNERS
		AM1	AM2		
Subscribes to IPPF Vision, Mission, Values	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Comply with IPPF Membership Standards	Yes	No	No	No	No
Comply with Governance and Constitutional Checklist	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Time Limit	No	5 years	No	As per MOU terms with Region	As per Partnership Agreement with the IPPF Board of Trustees
Periodic Accreditation Review	Yes	Yes, but not before 2 years	No	No	No
Renewal of Status	After approval of re-accreditation	Yearly	Yearly	As identified by MOU with the Regional Office	As per Partnership Agreement terms and conditions
Governance: Attendance at General Assembly (GA) Meetings	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Voting Rights at GA *	Yes	No	No	No	No

* As per IPPF Regulations

Core Funds Eligibility	As determined by the new Resource Allocation mechanism	As determined by the new Resource allocation mechanism	As determined by the new Resource Allocation mechanism	As determined by the new Resource Allocation mechanism	As determined by the new Resource Allocation mechanism
Restricted Funds Eligibility	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Membership Fee	As deemed necessary by the Board of Trustees	As deemed necessary by the Board of Trustees	As deemed necessary by the Board of Trustees	No	No

As adopted by Governing Council, May 2011

As proposed for approval by IPPF Board of Trustees I, November 2020