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2nd ANOCA GENDER EQUALITY FORUM

SUSTAINING GENDER EQUALITY IN AFRICAN SPORT





SAL Island, CAPE VERDE will, on 2 and 3 October 2023, host the 2nd ANOCA Gender Equality Forum on the theme “*From meeting room to the playing field.*”

The forum aims to share best practices among ANOCA zones, National Olympic Committees and internationally. The expected outcomes include development of tangible and achievable strategies and plans that will ensure the sustainability of gender equality on the African continent.

This will be achieved following an evaluation of the progress made since the maiden Gender Equality Forum held by video conference on 29 June 2021.

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Olympic Agenda 2020 + 5 has developed its strategic objectives around gender equality. The Association of National Olympic Committees of Africa, ANOCA, is committed to implementing this global vision.

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The aim here is to offer women the opportunity to become more involved in sport by occupying key positions outside the competition arena, and to actively support champions and advocates of gender equality, diversity and inclusion. ANOCA is committed to achieving the minimum target of 30% women on sports bodies.

ANOCA is further committed to ensuring that all women have the opportunity to participate in sports activities in a healthy and conducive environment that takes into account the preservation of the right to dignity, respect for individual equality and participation in sport regardless of race, religion, gender, disability or social origin. Women’s leadership in sport in Africa must also be asserted in this context, with an increase in the number of women coaches, counsellors and officials.

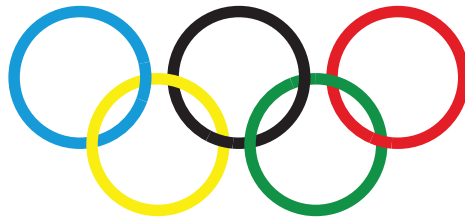
The 2nd ANOCA Gender Equality Forum will hold less than a year to the Paris 2024 Olympic Games. This competition will demonstrate the level of involvement of the African Olympic and Sports Movement in promoting women in sport.

ANOCA has a Gender Equality Commission that is fully fulfilling its mission of promoting gender equality actions, which afford a wealth of opportunities for African Olympic and sporting youth development.





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