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IDRISS DOKONY ADIKER, LOOKS FORWARD TO A BETTER FUTURE FOR SPORT DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA

«Today we begin a new era for sport in Chad and Zone 4. Leading such an institution requires accountability and commitment to developing sport in our countries,» said Idriss Dokony ADIKER, after he was elected President of ANOCA Zone 4 during an Elective General Assembly that took place on 16 January 2025. Chad's candidate was chosen by ANOCA Zone 4 NOC Presidents.

Mr ADIKER was elected by acclamation after the withdrawal of his challenger Cresant PAMBO, President of NOC Gabon. Zone 4 comprises Cameroon,

Gabon, Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo, Sao Tome and Principe, Chad, Central African Republic and Equatorial Guinea.

The election, which marks an important turning point for Chadian sport, prompted several reactions, including one from Betel CASIMIR, the world number one in Taekwondo, who said:

«I am delighted to learn that General Idriss Dokony ADIKER has been elected President of ANOCA Zone 4. I offer him my sincere congratulations.»



«This election shows the President's commitment to positive action through Chadian sport. Good luck to him and may the best be yet to come,» added Chadian marathon runner Valentin BETOUDJI

Ahead of the General Assembly, an ANOCA Zone 4 delegation visited the headquarters under construction by NOC Chad (COST). This construction project was launched in December 2024.

Members of the delegation noted the progress of the work, discussed project objectives, assessed construction stages and envisaged future collaborations for sport development in Chad.

Cameroon's Ahmad KALKABA MALBOUM, President of NOC Cameroon and President of the Confederation of African Athletics highlighted that **«Sport is essential for a country's youth. A headquarters like this is not only a place of work but also a symbol of**





sports diplomacy. I urge COST and the Chadian authorities to continue on this path to provide young people with adequate support.»

Calling for a national sports policy for Chad, Mr ADIKER said, ***«It is disheartening to see our athletes unable to excel when they have the potential. We need to take action to give young people the resources they need to shine. Sport must become a national priority.»***

The outgoing ANOCA Zone 4 President, Manuel SABINO ASUMU, congratulated Idriss Dokony ADIKER in the following words:

«Developing an Olympic Committee is intrinsically linked to developing a country. This project reflects a clear vision and a strong commitment to the future of sport in Chad.»

Odette OSSEMBE ENGOULOU, IOC member, also took the floor, saying:

«And here, we see work done beyond what the IOC has given, and I think that with everything we've seen, the IOC needs to review its grants, giving Olympic and sports committees a little more. Africa and the region are proud to have this kind of headquarters.»

In his congratulatory message to President ADIKER, ANOCA President Mustapha BERRAF further conveyed the satisfaction of the ***«African Sports and Olympic Movement, which is grateful for the work accomplished by President Idriss Dokony ADIKER. The ANOCA Executive Committee conveys***

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ELECTIVE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ANOCA ZONE IV

N'Djamena, Chad, 16 January 2025

ANOCA ZONE 4 ELECTIVE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADOPTS PROMISING RESOLUTIONS



ANOCA Zone 4 held an Elective General Assembly on 16 January 2025, concluding deliberations with a series of resolutions:

RESOLUTIONS

An ordinary elective session of ANOCA Zone 4 held on 16 January 2010 at the Radisson Blu Hotel, N'Djamena, Chad. Deliberations concluded with the following resolution:

Resolution 1: The General Assembly endorses the minutes of its session of 10 March 2024 held in Accra, Ghana;

Resolution 2: The General Assembly congratulates NOC Chad, host of the event, for the warm welcome and all the measures taken to ensure a pleasant stay for the delegates;

Resolution 3: The General Assembly congratulates the outgoing Executive Bureau on the efficient organisation of the meeting;

Resolution 4: The General Assembly extends its congratulations to the outgoing President, Manuel Sabino ASUMU CAWAN, who led the organisation during the 2017-2020 and 2021-2024 quadrennials;

Resolution 5: The General Assembly requests the outgoing Executive Bureau to present the audited accounts of ANOCA Zone 4 for the 2021-2014 quadrennial within a period of 2 (two) weeks;

Resolution 6: The General Assembly requests for a review of Zone 4 Constitution to align them more closely with the new governance requirements of Olympic organisations;

Resolution 7: The General Assembly congratulates the newly elected executive bureau, which comprises the following members:



President: General IDRIS DOKONY ADIKER, Chad

Vice President: Alejandro Martin AWONO EVUNA ANDEME, Equatorial Guinea

Treasurer General: BOLLE André Blaise, Republic of Congo

Resolution 8: The Annual General Assembly recommends that the new team define a quadrennial strategy as soon as possible, together with action plans and annual budgets for implementation as from the first quarter.

Resolution 9: The General Assembly supports the candidacies of its members for the various positions of the Association of National Olympic Committees of Africa (ANOCA), in particular that of DA COSTA ALEGRE AFONSO JOAO MANUEL for the position of First Vice President and David OJONG for the position of Secretary General, during the elections scheduled for 15 March 2025 in Algiers, Algeria.





ANOCA ZONE 3

SINGAPINDA JEAN YAMEOGO RE-ELECTED FOR ANOTHER TERM

Mr Singapinda Jean YAMEOGO, President of NOC Burkina Faso (CNOSB), was re-elected for another four-year term. He was unanimously elected by his ANOCA Zone 3 peers, during the Zone 3 Ordinary General Assembly that was held on 21 and 22 January in Ouagadougou.

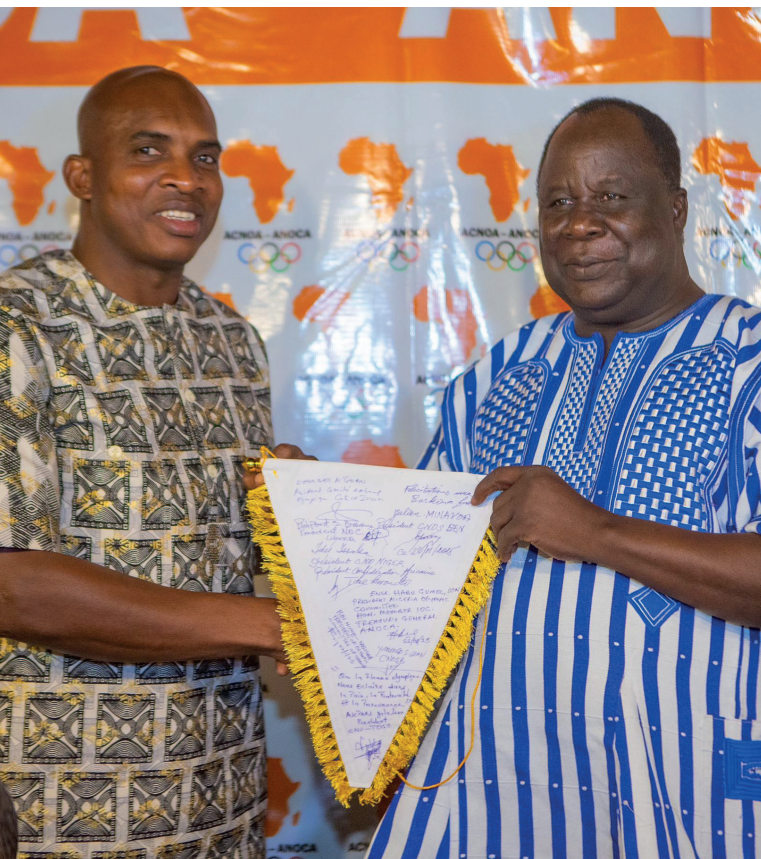
All Zone 3 NOC Presidents were satisfied with his performance.

The General Assembly reviewed the previous financial year and the

organisation of the Zone 3 Games in Lome, Togo, in 2024, the promotion of good governance within various national federations, and the Olympic Games Paris 2024 participation grants to Zone 3 athletes, are just some of the many events that worked in favour of the incumbent.

President YAMEOGO has four more years to build on this already great dynamism.

Zone 3 comprises 8 countries: Benin, Burkina Faso, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Liberia, Niger, Togo and Nigeria. Of ANOCA's 7 zones, Zone 3 is one of the most dynamic.



Julien MINAVOA, President of NOC Benin stated that *«President Jean YAMEOGO never ceases to surprise us with his way of governing. Through him, we have learned that we can promote good governance in sports structures. Under his leadership, all planned activities went smoothly, and we thought it appropriate to entrust him with a second term to foster this good governance and to position our zone among the best in Africa.»*

The re-elected President YAMEOGO, had this to say:

«For this term of office, we are going to continue in the same vein to meet the challenges that lie ahead. As you all know, we succeeded in organising the ANOCA Zone 3 Games, and our objective is to organise the next

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edition here in Burkina Faso. We're going to talk to the authorities to come up with a good roadmap. As for the competition, we are going to broaden the disciplines compared to the previous edition.»

In his congratulatory message to President Jean YAMEOGO, ANOCA President Mustapha BERRAF wrote:

«...All the members of the ANOCA Executive Committee wish you every success in your second term of office. You can count on our support in carrying out your activities....»



END OF THE 2020-2024 QUADRENNIAL

ANOCA ZONE 6 PUBLISHES ITS REPORT

At the dawn of a new Olympiad, ANOCA Zone 6 has already drawn the curtains on the previous quadrennial following the publication of its Quadrennial Report. ANOCA Newsletter brings you the full text in this Edition.



QUADRENNIAL REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES IN ANOCA ZONE VI

PREAMBLE

The year 2024 was, without any doubt the busiest on the ANOCA Zone VI sports calendar. All ten countries competed in the African Games hosted by Ghana as well as the Paris Summer Olympic Games with exceptional results in some of our countries. With limited financial resources ANOCA Zone VI facilitated four (4) very successful forums with representation from all Member countries. Those

Forums would not have been possible without the assistance from Olympic Solidarity and ANOCA.

The partnership between ANOCA Zone VI and AUSC Region 5 demonstrates good progress. ANOCA Zone VI was represented at almost all the workshops/ forums facilitated by AUSC Region 5 and vice versa during the past 12 months. Unfortunately, ANOCA Zone VI and RADO Zone VI could not arrange





another workshop due to a congested calendar. However, that did not avoid the continuation of the Anti-Doping activities in all 10 countries.

Presidents of NOCs and CGAs participated in all consultative meetings held by the IOC and facilitated by President Thomas Bach (IOC) and President Chris Jenkins (CGF) respectively. ANOCA Zone VI has positioned the Africa Region within the structures of the Commonwealth Games Federation with representation on the Executive Board, the Athletes Advisory Board and the Sports Committee.

The Executive Board of ANOCA Zone VI continued momentum and held productive virtual and physical meetings. The Secretary General worked closely with Executive Board Members and ensured that strategic objectives were obtained. One primary focal point amongst other was to create a sense of inclusiveness and to work closer with our NOCs and CGAs. Other focus points achieved included:

Review of the ANOCA Zone VI Constitution

Conduct forums for athletes, officials, administrators

Increase the reliance with NOCs

Create a ANOCA Zone VI website and monthly newsletter

NOC Bilateral Exchanges Countries within the Region

NOCs willingly agreed to host forums funded by Olympic Solidarity, for the



Zone. The workshops and forums were inclusive and NOCs shared best practices that guarantee all countries are on par with information, development strategies and latest sport trends.

ANOCA Zone VI is humbled by the trust and confidence from the IOC by awarding the establishment of a Safeguarding Hub in Southern Africa. As a key step forward in strengthening safeguarding in sport at local level and providing the best possible support for athletes, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) Executive Board (EB) has approved a plan to establish two pilot regional safeguarding hubs in Southern Africa and the Pacific Islands. The plans build on existing initiatives in those regions. The new regional hubs will act as central coordination points, and will provide athletes with independent guidance, and

help them access psychosocial support, legal aid and any other assistance that they may need. This will be delivered through existing services, available locally, in the athletes' own language and with an understanding of their culture and local context.

In response to the request by Olympic Movement stakeholders and International Federations (IFs) in particular for the IOC to take the lead in addressing the critical challenges related to safeguarding in sport at local level, the IOC created a dedicated Safeguarding Working Group in March last year. Chaired by EB member and Deputy Chair of the IOC's Gender Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Commission HRH Prince Feisal Al Hussein, the working group's remit is to consider the best approach to establishing independent safeguarding systems and

structures at national level, which will ensure that resources are directed to where they are most needed to support athletes and build safeguarding capacity in sports organisations.

The establishment of the pilot hubs will be overseen by an International Safe Sport Task Force, which will include representatives from sport, intergovernmental organisations and civil society. The Working Group in Southern Africa had its first physical meeting in

Lusaka last year. The Working Group consists of:

INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL GAMES

2.1 2024 AFRICAN GAMES - ACCRA, GHANA

Zone VI was represented by all 10 Member countries at the 13th African Games. There was a slight increase in medals in comparison to the previous African Games.

RANK	COUNTRY	2024				2019			
		G	S	B	Total	G	S	B	Total
3	South Africa	32	32	42	106	33	26	24	83
14	Zambia	4	5	5	14	1	1	3	5
18	Zimbabwe	3	4	4	11	0	1	3	4
21	Angola	2	1	5	8	2	2	4	8
25	Namibia	1	4	5	10	2	2	4	8
30	Mozambique	0	5	1	6	1	3	1	5
31	Botswana	0	3	10	13	5	3	6	14
40	Lesotho	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
	Eswatini	-	-	-					
	Malawi	-	-	-					













ANOCA Zone VI express sincere appreciation to ANOCA for the financial assistance that made it possible for NOC Presidents and Secretaries General to attend the Games for a few days.

2.2 2024 PARIS OLYMPIC GAMES – FRANCE

3. COMMISSIONS ACTIVITIES – 2021 - 2024

3.1 SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

ANOCA Zone VI countries attended the 1st African Forum on Environmental

Rank	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	 Kenya	4	2	5	11
2	 Algeria	2	0	1	3
3	 South Africa	1	3	2	6
4	 Ethiopia	1	3	0	3
5	 Egypt	1	1	1	3
6	 Tunisia	1	1	1	3
7	 Botswana	1	1	0	2
8	 Uganda	1	1	0	2
9	 Morocco	1	0	1	2
10	 Cape Verde	0	0	1	1
11	 Côte d'Ivoire	0	0	1	1
12	 Zambia	0	0	1	1
Total		13	12	14	39

South Africa, Botswana and Zambia are the only countries in southern Africa that were successful in winning medals. That has urged the Zone to get back to the drawing board. One of the primary objectives is a closer working relationship with governments to ensure proper funding and that that funding should be available as early as possible to support NFs in the entire preparation for qualification and ultimately, for the Games. This calls for a more collaborative effort between ANOCA Zone VI and AUSC Region 5.

Protection and the fight against global warming that took place from March 5-6, 2024 in Algiers. ANOCA Zone VI appreciates the efforts of ANOCA in supporting the objectives of the IOC and the UN in a quest to avoid the worst impacts of climate change globally.

The Sustainability Commission of ANOCA Zone VI, is coordinated by Col. Tshenyego Botsang of Botswana. He keeps NOCs posted on all relevant information and encourages the NOCs participation in the annual World Clean-Up Day activities.



This event is part of the NOC activities calendar.

3.2 ANTI-DOPING EDUCATION AND OVEP TRAIN THE TRAINERS WORKSHOP

Hosted by the Lesotho NOC, ANOCA Zone VI, in partnership with the Regional Anti-Doping Organization (RADO Zone VI) held a very successful Anti-Doping Education and OVEP Train the Trainers Workshop from December 1-4, 2023 in Maseru, Lesotho. The workshop was funded by Olympic Solidarity. Significantly of this workshop was that participants from both NOCs and Governments attended. Each country was therefore represented by two participants and that ensured the continuous inclusion of the

government partners in the activities of our NOCs. The workshop was facilitated by a Doping Education expert from the South African Institute for Drug Free Sport (SAIDS) and two young OVEP presenters from the Lesotho NOC.

Countries were equipped with knowledgeable trainers to conduct Anti-Doping education and awareness and to roll out the Olympic Values and Education Programme (OVEP).

3.3 REGIONAL ATHLETES COMMISSION FORUM

Hosted by the Zimbabwe NOC, the Forum took place on April 12 & 13 in Victoria Falls. This event was supported by the IOC Athletes Unit, Olympic Solidarity and ANOCA. Athlete representatives from all

10 countries attended the Forum. The Forum was facilitated by Gaby Ahrens, ANOCA AC Chair and Khotso Mokoena, ANOCA Zone VI AC Chair and Athur Milroy from the IOC Athletes Unit. The event was graced with official messages from Hon. Kirsty Coventry, Minister of Sport, Recreation, Arts and Culture from Zimbabwe, ANOCA President, Mr Mustapha Berraf, and Mr Alfred Foloko, President of ANOCA Zone VI. Two athlete representatives of each of the 10 countries attended the two day event. ACs were assisted with the development of a Terms of Reference for ACs. A buddy programme has been implemented whereby established ACs assisted countries that yet had to establish ACs.

3.4 SAFE AND INCLUSIVE SPORT SEMINAR

Hosted by the Zambia NOC, the Seminar took place on May 24-26 in Lusaka. The Seminar was attended by the Safeguarding Officers and the Secretaries General of all 10 countries and facilitated by the Safeguarding Commission of ANOCA Zone VI – Anna Mguni, Malebo Raditladi and Nchimunya Mweetwa. The seminar concluded with an action plan to be implemented by each NOC.

All participants attended the RASA Awards organised by AUSC Region 5. It was indeed a privilege to attend the prestigious Awards Ceremony.

3.5 REGIONAL MARKETING FORUM

Hosted by the Namibia NOC, the forum took place on June 12 & 13 in Swakopmund. The forum was attended

by Marketing Officers and Secretaries General of all 10 countries and facilitated by the ANOCA Zone VI Vice President, Mr. Admire Masenda and Ms. Thembe Khumalo, Lead Consultant at Brandbuilder Africa.

At the conclusion of the Forum, a Marketing Commission consisting of members from Lesotho, SA, Eswatini, Mozambique has been established. The Commission, facilitated by Mr Admire Masenda has been tasked to develop an action plan as a working document to assist NOCs in their marketing activities.

Furthermore, ANOCA Zone VI has reviewed its branding and boast a brand new website.

3.6 GENDER EQUALITY FORUM

The Angola NOC hosted a very successful Gender Equality Forum on November 13 & 14, 2024 in Luanda. The event was attended by the GE representatives of each country as well as participants from the GE Commission from all the provinces in Angola. Very relevant topics included Safeguarding, Board Preparedness, Marketing and Portrayal and Gender Based Violence in Sport. The Forum reviewed the ANOCA Zone VI GE Action Plan and each country presented on best practice and support. Country representatives left the Forum with clear guidelines on the implementation of the zonal action plan.

ANOCA Zone VI acknowledges the cooperation of the NOCs and the ANOCA Zone VI Secretary General, Joan Smit who worked tirelessly to ensure applications with well-motivated budgets

were submitted to Olympic Solidarity to secure the necessary funding. They also ensured that all logistical arrangements were in place at each of the Forums. The ANOCA Zone VI President, Alfred Foloko and the SG also ensured that adequate funding was secured from ANOCA and ANOCA Zone VI were needed.

4. OLYMPIC SOLIDARITY: 2024 PARIS SCHOLARSHIPS (2020 – 2024 Quadrennial)

Several athletes from 10 countries in the Zone benefitted from the Paris Scholarships, though fewer athletes qualified than expected. Qualification criteria set by IFs turn out to more stringent and qualification opportunities in Africa were extremely limited. The postponement of the African Games and the consequent cancellation of qualification events in the African Games worsened the situation for our African athletes.

ANOCA Zone VI expresses sincere appreciation to Olympic Solidarity. Those scholarships ensure opportunities for more athletes to benefit from high performance training opportunities and facilities. That ultimately provides the chance to qualify and compete in the Olympic Games.

5. ANOCA SCHOLARSHIPS – PARIS 2024 (2020 – 2024 Quadrennial)

ANOCA Zone VI and our NOCs are extremely appreciative of the scholarships allocated to deserving athletes in Zone VI. This has seen Africa's first gold medal in the 200m men when Letsile Tebogo from

Botswana won the men's final in a time of 19.46 at the Paris Olympic Games.

Every win in Africa as a win for Africa. Thank you ANOCA!

6. INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMME AMBASSADEURS GENERATION 2024

ANOCA Zone VI countries expressed gratitude to the French Olympic Committee and the French Government for the amazing assistance and support rendered by the volunteers throughout the preparations for the Paris Olympic Games. Those volunteers were instrumental during the two years they spent with NOCs in their respective countries.

7. OLYMPIC SOLIDARITY COURSES FOR ADMINISTRATORS, COACHES

Several participants in all our NOCs successfully completed MEMOS (English) ICECP, ICC, Women's Sport Leadership Academy (WSLA) and the M.A. in Olympic Studies at the University of Cologne during the last quadrennial. Some of those courses will be concluded during the course of this year.

Those courses offers invaluable development opportunities for sport administrators and equip our NOCs with the necessary skills and knowledge.

8. GOVERNANCE

The Executive Board of ANOCA Zone VI facilitated the review of the Strategic Plan as well as the Constitution. Expertise from several NOCs assisted in those



processes which ensure transparency and accountability in all operations and activities of the Zone. Proper financial accounting structures are in place – an annual financial audit is conducted by a registered auditing firm. ANOCA Zone VI appreciates the close working relationship with ANOCA in the promotion of good governance principles.

9. CONCLUSION

One major challenge is indeed an office with a full-time office administrator to assist with the running of the day-to-day operations and to provide much needed support to all NOCs. This item remains on the “*wish list*” of ANOCA Zone VI.

We are grateful for the zonal Forums/ Workshops that took place during the past quadrennial. Those platforms have been established and we are confident that the work will continue.

ANOCA Zone VI Executive Board expresses sincere gratitude to our NOCs/ CGAs for your commitment and support towards the sport fraternity in your

respective countries and in the Zone. This indeed include our primary stakeholders, the Athletes. Thank you for your perseverance in ensuring a transparent working environment with our National Sport Commissions/Councils and our Governments at large.

ANOCA Zone VI wishes to congratulate our countries that hosted and will still be hosting, major international events in different sport codes during the past quadrennial. That is testimony to the resources and strength in our Zone.

ANOCA Zone VI will continue with the partnerships – AUSC Region 5, RADO Zone VI and SASCOM. There is indeed room for more partnerships in the near future.

Lastly, ANOCA Zone VI expresses sincere appreciation to ANOCA and the ANOCA Leadership for your continuous support. We wish ANOCA all the best with the upcoming elective General Assembly, the maiden African School Games and the African Youth Games.



NOC TOGO ORGANISES ATHLETES' FORUM

NOC Togo (CNO-TOGO) organised an Athletes' Forum on Friday, 24 January 2025.

To discuss the demands of elite sport, familiarise themselves with performance enhancement tools, share experiences and receive advice and guidance on how to achieve better results for the 2025-2028 Olympiad.

The Forum was attended by a host of renowned athletes and sports figures, including CNO-TOGO Athletes' Commission Chair, Agassa KOSSI, Olympic medallist Benjamin BOUKPETI, the Togolese Representative on the ANOCA Zone 3 Athletes' Commission,

Médard KOSSI NAYO, who specially returned from Dakar (Senegal) to participate in the Forum at the invitation of CNO-TOGO, the National Team Coach of the Togolese Senior Football Team, Nibombé Daré, Togolese international player Floyd AYITÉ, and triathlete Eloi ADJAVON, who took part in the Olympic Games Paris 2024 and returned to Lomé for the 2nd time in a few days thanks to CNO-TOGO. Notable Olympians Claire AYIVON (Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020) and Akoko KOMLANVI (Paris 2024) were also present.

Technical experts, including the National Technical Director of the Togolese Football Federation, Dodzi François EKLU SIABI, and 5 (five) Physical Education teachers delegated by the Ministry of Technical Education, Vocational Training and Apprenticeship, were also in attendance.

Discussions focused on the Role of the Athletes' Commission, an overview of the IOC Athlete365 Platform, doping, the use of the WADA Platform and the sharing of Olympic participation experiences.

Opportunities open to athletes and their entourage during the 2025-2028 Olympiad were also presented, along with discussions on human rights, athlete protection and the prevention of discrimination and harassment in sport.

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This sentiment was echoed by CNO-TOGO Vice President, Peace AKPÉNÈ ADIHO who, alongside Secretary General Téoundé ASSENIM at the opening of the Forum, encouraged female athletes to leverage these CNO-TOGO initiatives to learn even more to bolster their presence in the sports arena and strive for excellence.

The Athletes' Forum ended on a high note, featuring participatory workshops during which athletes reflected on specific themes aimed at improving their performances.

NOC TOGO DRAWS UP 2025-2028 STRATEGIC PLAN TO DEVELOP SPORT AND FOSTER OLYMPIC VALUES



CNO-Togo's strategic plan breaks down into five phases, representing key milestones in the development of a strategic plan. This includes the preparatory phase, which begins with the meeting to launch the Strategic Plan development process, the drafting of the Terms of Reference and the meeting on the Strategic Plan mapping process. The second phase tackles strategic diagnosis, involving a precise situational analysis,

identifying stakeholders, describing the NOC's internal and external environment, analysing the situation and assessing previous strategies. The third phase is the strategy formulation phase, which entails defining the foundations of the Strategic Plan, formulating the NOC's mission and vision, identifying organisational values, determining strategic priorities and actions, and defining implementation tools and funding mechanisms.





This strategic plan also includes a phase describing the monitoring and evaluation system, which identifies the monitoring and evaluation bodies, namely the General Assembly and the Monitoring and Evaluation Steering Committee.

The document will follow a three-phase validation process: technical validation by the drafting team, validation by the Executive Committee and by the CNO-TOGO General Assembly.

In addition, an Action Plan and a monitoring and evaluation system will enable CNO-TOGO to have a much better understanding of the use of Olympic Solidarity programmes. It will also entail having a clear vision and mission in line with the activities carried out, improving knowledge in the use of the RELAY platform, and having management, communication and advocacy tools for various actors in the process of implementing the activities of various structures, enhancing governance, and making its purpose, values and main objectives known to partners.

CNO-TOGO aims to achieve its objectives and this strategic plan should allow for actions to be taken in this light.

Alfred Foloko
President: ANOCA ZONE VI



NOC MALI ORGANISES SUCCESSFUL SPORTS

MERIT AWARDS CEREMONY IN 2025

NOC Mali (CNOSM) organised the 2024 edition of the Sports Merit Night on Friday, 31 January 2025, at the Granada Hôtel de l'Amitié, to celebrate the most outstanding athletes and sports managers of the year.

During this grand gala night, Malian basketball went home with 4 trophies, including the most promising athlete of the Year, Best Sports Manager of the Year awarded to Barrister Jean-

Claude Sidibé, Best Sports Federation of the Year and Best National Team of the Year.

The ceremony was graced by Modibo Traoré, Secretary General of the Ministry

of Youth and Sport, in charge of Civic Education and Citizenship, Seydina Omar Diagne, Secretary General of ANOCA Zone II, Abdel Aziz Biddine, Director General of Moov Africa Malitel, official sponsor of the CNOSM, and a host of the country's sports officials.

Organised every year by CNOSM to celebrate the country's most outstanding athletes and sports managers, the 2024 edition of the Sports Merit awards was a great success.

The event afforded not just an opportunity to reward the best athletes of the year and pay a glowing tribute to former sports stars, it was also a warm reunion for all stakeholders of the country's Olympic and Sports Movement.

Speaking on the occasion, CNOSM President, Habib Sissoko, thanked the transitional authorities, and particularly the Minister of Youth and Sport, for everything he is doing to develop sport in Mali, especially the renovation of sports facilities: ***“By recognising merit, the National Olympic and Sports Movement, which is a youth movement, intends to be part of this commitment. Indeed, the Sports Merit Night testifies to our recognition for national sports associations, sports managers and sports lovers, athletes and dignitaries who have contributed to the development and promotion of sport in Mali,”*** said Habib Sissoko.

He also recalled that CNOSM's vision looks forward to the future of sport Mali, based on good governance and the illustration of Mali's sporting greatness.

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He then added:

“We want it to be told to successive generations that, in the patriotic struggle, Malian sport played its part, by making every sports event a day to fly the flag for Mali. This year, CNOSM has been honoured by a man who, with abnegation and humility, has never wavered in his service to the nation. In his prestigious institution, he has made physical exercise a vector of positive energy for productive work.



Need I mention the man, Lieutenant General Malick Diaw, President of the National Transitional Council?

During the ceremony, honorary distinctions were awarded to the most deserving sports stakeholders of the year, as well as to those who made sports history in Mali. In the “Remembrance” category, Mamadou Lamine Agne, a founding member of Usfas, Diougal Touré (handball), Kissima Sylla (athletics) and Sékou Kéita (football) received awards from the organisers. Their certificates were handed by CNOSM President, Habib Sissoko.

Recognition prizes were awarded to Seydina Omar Diagne, Secretary General of ANOCA Zone II, Oumar Baba Traoré, President of AJSM, and Abdel Aziz

Biddine, Director General of Moov Africa Malitel. Their prizes were handed by Modibo Traoré, Secretary General of the Ministry of Youth and Sports.

Bronze medallists at the Beach Games in Tunisia, players from the national handball team were awarded special encouragement prizes by CNOSM. They received their prizes from the former First Lady, Mrs Kéïta Aminata Maïga.

The most promising athletes of the year prizes were awarded to Marine Fatoumata Camara (boxing), Mouké Camara (handisport) and Youssouf Mamby Traoré (basketball). They received their prizes from Hamèye Founé Mahalmadane, representative of the president of the National Transition Council.

The prize for the best sports federation of the year went to the Basketball Federation, led by Barrister Jean-Claude Sidibé. The Federation's General Secretary, Diya Cissé, received this award from Hamèye Founé Mahalmadane. In addition to this prize, Barrister Jean-Claude Sidibé was named Best Sports Manager of the Year. The award was handed to him by the Vice President of the National Transition Council.

Finally, the U-18 girls' national team was awarded the prize for Best National Team of the Year. With such outstanding performances, we can say that the Basketball Federation was in the spotlight at this 2024 edition of the Sports Merit Night, with 4 awards, including the most promising athlete of the year, best sports manager of the year, best federation of the year and best national team of the year.



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ANOTHER TERM FOR JULIEN MINAVOA

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NOC Benin (CNOSB) held its elective General Assembly on 8 February 2025 in Cotonou, during which incumbent President, Julien MINAVOA, was re-elected by acclamation.

Julien MINAVOA thus embarks on a new mandate with the trust of the National Sports Federations. This choice for

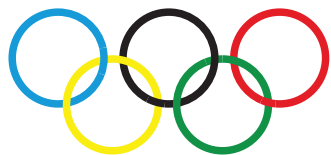
stability and continuity speaks of a track record that was unanimously commended by the delegates.

This is a recognition of his leadership and achievements in promoting the Olympic and Sports Movement in Benin. He thus looks forward to continuing the projects he initiated for the welfare of Benin's youths.





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