



International
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Athletes' Department

Mr Cassio Rippel
ISSF representative

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Selection to the Athletes' Rights and Responsibilities Declaration Steering Committee

Dear Cassio,

First of all, I hope this letter finds you in good health and spirits.

It is my great pleasure to inform you that you have been selected as an International Federations athlete's representative on the Athletes' Rights and Responsibilities Declaration Steering Committee. Your voice, representing your International Federation is of paramount importance to the upcoming implementation phase of the Athletes' Declaration and I look forward to working with you and the new members for the benefit of the athletes' community.

The Athletes' Rights and Responsibilities Declaration is a historic athlete-driven initiative. The Athletes' Declaration has been developed by athletes and for athletes through a worldwide consultation process led by strong athlete representatives Steering Committee which I am chairing.

Following its adoption at the IOC Session in Buenos Aires in 2018, the Steering Committee is responsible for advising on its implementation. The upcoming focus of the Steering committee will be the development of a guidebook outlining practical examples to support International Federations and National Olympic Committees implementing the Declaration.

Please, accept my sincerest congratulations on your selection. As an International Federation athlete representative, your voice is crucial in supporting the adoption and implementation of the Declaration across the Olympic Movement and the athletes' community. I am convinced that your expertise and your valuable experience in Sports and within your athletes' community will be a great asset to the Steering Committee.

Warm welcome to the Committee, I look forward to working with you and to have some productive debate.

With best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah Walker".

Sarah Walker
IOC Member
Chair of the Athletes' Rights and Responsibilities Declaration Steering Committee
2nd Vice-Chair of the IOC Athletes' Commission