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## MEDIA RELEASE

### THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT (ICAS) HAS APPOINTED ITS MEMBERS FOR THE TERM 2023-2026

*Lausanne, 16 December 2022* – The International Council of Arbitration for Sport (ICAS), the governing body of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) met at the CAS headquarters on 2 December 2022 for the last meeting of its 2019-2022 four-year cycle.

For the new four-year term 2023-2026, in accordance with the new Article of S4 of the Code of Sports-related Arbitration, adopted earlier this year and providing for the appointment of 22 members instead of 20: six members were appointed by the International Federations via their umbrella bodies, the Association of the Summer Olympic International Federations (ASOIF) (five members) and the Association of International Olympic Winter Federations (AIOWF) (one member); four members were appointed by the Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC) and four members were appointed by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

Those fourteen members then appointed four members with a view to safeguarding the interests of the athletes, and those eighteen members then appointed the remaining members chosen from among personalities independent of the bodies designating the other members of the ICAS. The extension of ICAS to 22 members was decided in order to allow a larger representation of football stakeholders, considering that football is by far the sport generating the most cases at CAS.

The ICAS members appointed or re-appointed for the 2023-2026 term are:

ANOC	Mr John COATES AC (Australia) ICAS President, Lawyer, IOC Vice President Prof. Abdullah AL HAYYAN (Kuwait) Professor of law Prof. Giulio NAPOLITANO (Italy) Professor of law at Roma Tre University Mr David W. RIVKIN (USA) International arbitrator, former President of the International Bar Association
ASOIF	Mr Antonio ARIMANY (Spain) Secretary General, International Triathlon Union (ITU) Dr Emilio GARCIA SILVERO (Spain) Chief Legal and Compliance Officer, Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) Mr Dariusz MIODUSKI (Poland) Vice Chairman, European Clubs Association Mr Kevin PLUMB (UK) General Counsel, Premier League Mr Mikael RENTSCH (Switzerland/Sweden) Legal Director, Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI)
AIOWF	Ms Corinne SCHMIDHAUSER OLY (Switzerland) Lawyer, Director of Feusi Sportsschool, Winner of the slalom World Cup 1987



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IOC	<p>Judge Yvonne MOKGORO (South Africa) Former judge of the Constitutional Court of South Africa</p> <p>Judge Patrick ROBINSON (Jamaica) Judge at the International Court of Justice</p> <p>Dr Elisabeth STEINER (Austria) Attorney at law, former Judge of the European Court of Human Rights</p> <p>Judge XUE Hanqin (P.R. China) Judge at the International Court of Justice</p>
Athletes' representatives	<p>Mr Louis EVERARD (Netherlands) Director of the Dutch Association of Professional Football Players, Board Member of FIFPro</p> <p>Ms Silja KANERVA OLY (Finland) Legal Counsel Neste, Bronze medalist in sailing at the OG London 2012</p> <p>Mr Michael LENARD OLY (USA) Lawyer, Member US Olympic Handball Team at the OG Los Angeles 1984</p> <p>Ms Tricia SMITH OLY (Canada) Lawyer, President Canadian Olympic Committee, IOC Member, Vice President International Rowing Federation (FISA); 4 time Olympian (rowing); Olympic Silver Medallist at the OG Los Angeles 1984</p>
Independently-appointed members	<p>Mr Ivo EUSEBIO (Switzerland) Former judge of the Swiss Federal Tribunal</p> <p>Ms Carole MALINVAUD (France) Partner at Gide Paris, specialised in international arbitration</p> <p>Ms Ellen NORTHFLEET (Brazil) International arbitrator, Former chief justice of the Supreme Court of Brazil</p> <p>One member to be appointed in 2023</p>

During the first meeting of the new four-year cycle 2023-2026 which is scheduled to be held on 31 May 2023, elections will be held for the positions of ICAS President, Vice-Presidents, President and Deputy President of the Ordinary Arbitration Division, President and Deputy President of the Appeals Arbitration Division, President and Deputy President of the Anti-Doping Division.

In addition, the members elected Dr Elisabeth Steiner to the position of ICAS Vice President, to fill the vacancy left by the retirement of the previous incumbent Ms Tjasa Andréa-Prosenč in June 2022, and voted to amend Article S6.2 of the Code of Sports-related Arbitration so that for the 2023-2026 cycle onwards, ICAS be composed of three, rather than two, Vice-Presidents, meaning that the ICAS Board will count 6 members.

In other business, the ICAS members voted to create a new, separate, legal aid fund for football-related disputes, the Football Legal Aid Fund (FLAF). The fund will be financed directly by FIFA and will be available to natural persons, including agents with a FIFA licence, without sufficient financial means to otherwise proceed at the CAS. The FLAF may be also exceptionally granted to football clubs affiliated to a member association of FIFA under specific conditions (to be set in the ICAS Guidelines for Legal Aid in 2023).

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ICAS is a Swiss foundation created in 1994 composed of twenty-two international judges, professors or lawyers active in the judiciary, international arbitration and/or sports administration. As the governing body of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), ICAS manages the administration and finances of the CAS.

The CAS is an independent institution, based in Lausanne, involved in resolving legal disputes in the field of sport through arbitration and mediation. The CAS jurisdiction is recognized by all Olympic sports federations and many non-Olympic federations. The CAS registers around 900 cases each year.

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