

SUPPORT FOR FENCERS OF OCEANIA during the 2017-2020 OLYMPIAD

1. Support Elite Athletes to qualify for the Olympic Games in Tokyo

- It is in the interest of the FIE to have fencers representing all five Olympic zones at the Tokyo Olympic Games.
- It is a matter of fact that participating at World Cup competitions and Grand Prix is much more expensive for the athletes travelling from Oceania
- It would be a pity if talented fencers did not have the chance to qualify because of financial difficulties.

Funding provided in 2015-16 by the FIE President through the International Charity Fund for the Future of Fencing demonstrated that the provision of funding to enable fencers from Oceania to participate in FIE competitions allows them to improve their ability to achieve world class results.

The Oceania Fencing Confederation therefore requests that a similar subsidy be provided to the highest ranked fencers of Oceania in the next Olympic quadrennial, on an annual basis from 2017. The OFC also proposes that the athletes to be supported will be under the age of 30 at 1 January 2017, as the Olympic Games brings together the youth of the world & it is hoped that any athletes supported will contribute to the future of Oceania Fencing.

2. Proposal for 2017 to 2020

The total funding period will be divided into 7 phases, starting from 1 May 2017 and ending on 30 April 2020. The total amount of subsidy requested is USD 178,000.

Phase	Dates	Amount requested (USD)
1	1 May 2017 – 31 August 2017	20,000
2	1 September 2017 – 30 April 2018	40,000
3	1 May 2018 – 31 August 2018	20,000
4	1 September 2018 – 30 April 2019	40,000
5	1 May 2019 – 31 August 2019	20,000
6	1 September 2019 – 31 March 2020	40,000
7	April 2020 (Asia & Oceania Olympic Qualification Tournament)	18,000
Total		178,000 (over 3 years = approx. 60,000 per annum)

Conditions:

- The Confederation will provide to the FIE the proposed list of eligible athletes for whom the travel and accommodation costs are to be subsidised.
- The FIE will also receive the competition plan of these athletes.
- The FIE will approve whether the requests are reasonably well based or not, together with the approved amount of the subvention (based on the travel costs applied by the FIE's travel agency).
- The all-in amount will not exceed the requested total of USD 178,000.
- The funding requested is a subsidy only & is unlikely to cover the entire costs of undertaking the proposed program.
- The Confederation will provide a report on the utilisation of the subvention provided posteriorly.

3. Details of athlete numbers and competition plans to be supported

- The eligible athletes to be supported will be nominated based on ranking at 30 April 2017 and then reviewed at the end of each phase of the total funding period.
- At the end of each phase, the four (4) eligible fencers from Oceania who are ranked highest in the FIE Senior World Cup ranking across all weapons, will receive subsidies.

- The athletes must confirm that they wish to seek qualification for the 2020 Olympic Games by undertaking the proposed program.

Phases 1 & 2 (1 May 2017 to 30 Apr 2018)	Competitions	Subsidy requested (travel & accommodation only) in USD
Athletes x4	Phase 1 (1 May 2017 to 31 Aug 2017): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Asian Zone Champs, June 2. World Champs, July 3. World Cup x1 	5,000 x4 = 20,000
Athletes x4	Phase 2 (1 Sep 2017 to 30 Apr 2018) : 2 x Grand Prix, 3 x World Cups (5 x FIE competitions) in EUR, ASIA or PANAM	10,000 x4 = 40,000
<i>TOTAL for Phases 1 & 2</i>		<i>20,000 + 40,000 = 60,000</i>
Phases 3 & 4 (1 May 2018 to 30 Apr 2019)	Competitions	Subsidy requested (travel & accommodation only) in USD
Athletes x4	Phase 3 (1 May 2018 to 31 Aug 2018): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Asian Zone Champs, June 5. World Champs, July 6. World Cup x1 	5,000 x4 = 20,000
Athletes x4	Phase 4 (1 Sep 2018 to 30 Apr 2019) : 2 x Grand Prix, 3 x World Cups (5 x FIE competitions) in EUR, ASIA or PANAM	10,000 x4 = 40,000
<i>TOTAL for Phases 3 & 4</i>		<i>20,000 + 40,000 = 60,000</i>
Phases 5 & 6 (1 May 2019 to 30 Apr 2020)	Competitions	Subsidy requested (travel & accommodation only) in USD
Athletes x4	Phase 5 (1 May 2019 to 31 Aug 2019): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Asian Zone Champs, June 2. World Champs, July 3. World Cup x1 	5,000 x4 = 20,000
Athletes x4	Phase 6 (1 Sep 2019 to 30 Apr 2020) : 2 x Grand Prix, 3 x World Cups (5 x FIE competitions) in EUR, ASIA or PANAM	10,000 x4 = 40,000
<i>TOTAL for Phases 5 & 6</i>		<i>20,000 + 40,000 = 60,000</i>
Phase 7 (April 2020)		

Athlete, Country, Weapon & WC ranking	Competition	Approximate Costs (Travel & Accommodation only) in USD
6 Athletes (total possible, 1 per weapon) from AUS	Asia & Oceania Olympic Qualification Tournament, China	6 @ 1,500 = 9,000
6 Athletes (total possible, 1 per weapon) from NZL	Asia & Oceania Olympic Qualification Tournament, China	6 @ 1,500 = 9,000
<i>TOTAL for Phase 7</i>		<i>18,000</i>
GRAND TOTAL for total funding period		178,000