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IBU DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT 2022/2023

PILOT PROJECT 'BIATHLON FOR ALL'

INTRODUCTION

Promoting biathlon is a core pillar of the IBU Target 26 strategy. IBU wants to inspire and encourage kids and youth to practice biathlon by giving them sustainable, safe equipment and a comprehensive activities toolkit that can be used across the world. To achieve this goal, the IBU will start the Pilot Laser Rifle Project in 2023 under the name "Biathlon for All". In this connection, the IBU wants to develop a program for its National Federations on how to implement laser rifles in their strategy and recruitment. In the pilot phase, the IBU will support selected NFs with laser rifle equipment.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES

The total budget for the pilot project 'Biathlon for All' is 500 000 EUR

1. The project is available to all IBU Member Federations.
2. Each NF may apply up to 5 or 10 laser rifles sets
3. The application must be submitted through IBU Scope and must include the following information:
 - a. Project Coordinator (responsible for project implementation and reporting during the project duration and after it finishes)
 - b. Information about the users of laser rifles
 - c. Dates and deadlines of the various phases/activities of the projects (Promotional and training activities combine laser rifle shooting with running, rollerblading, roller skiing, cross-country skiing, and mountain biking for kids and youths).
4. The applications will be analyzed by the Development Director and Secretary-General and communicated to the EB according to the following criteria:
 - a. Compatibility with the objectives and guidelines of the programme
 - b. Feasibility of the activities

5. Following the analysis and approval, the Development Department will confirm the project application in IBU Scope by 18th April 2023.
6. Following the project's approval, the NF must ensure that the approved activities are completed, and comprehensive reporting is provided as indicated in the project. The report generally includes a statement on the achieved goals, a project coordinator report (number of kids, people who participated as volunteers, coaches, PE teachers, financial report), and a questionnaire about the laser rifles' quality of use. In addition, NFs must report at least 10 activities with good-quality pictures and/or videos during the project to be used for its reporting.
7. All NFs selected for the project will contribute to the creation of the **IBU toolkit for National Federations - Kids and Youth's** introduction to the biathlon education program through its experience exchange.
8. NFs that fail to report their activities must return their laser rifles to the IBU.
9. In case of damage, the NFs take responsibility for the equipment repair.
10. NF is obliged not to sell or donate sports equipment purchased for their benefit from the IBU contribution to third parties for 5 years from the date of purchase.
11. Only NFs which finalise the project before the next application call can apply for another 'Biathlon for All' support.
12. IBU reserves the right to announced/unannounced visits to check the project implementation. Furthermore, in case of misused support, the IBU might decide to suspend the respective NF from any development support for a certain time.

Call for applications from 15th March 2023 until 15th April 2023.

Duration of projects from 01st June 2023 to 31st March 2024.