

### **Target 26 Project Status**

Report for EB 157, June 2021



### Target 26 Dashboard - Progress against 2022 Goals

as of June 2021

#### Status of all 46 Goals for 2022

7 Goals Complete / 9 Goals Not Yet Started

30 Goals Ongoing • 0 Goal Delayed



- Clarify structure, mission, objectives of the IBU Academy, set up organization
- Develop Biathlon Academy programs and initiatives
- Establish a certification program for coaches and other NF

#### 2.1 Enhancing our events - Event Standards

- Review level of need for IBU support & resources for OCs
- Increase knowledge-exchange among OCs across
- Develop clear criteria for event allocation, with year-onvear measurement and improvement

#### 3.1 Extending our reach - Digital Ecosystem

- Establish an innovative digital and social media strategy
- Renew IBU website, including event sites & partner opps
- Develop an IBU mobile app

events in urban environments

- Review athlete activities across all touchpoints\* (3.3)
- Analyze and test potential of e-Biathlon and gamification\* (5

#### 4.1 Upgrading our governance-Principles

- Establish and operationalize the new IBU Constitution
- Review status of gender equality, design and provide gender equality tools and programs for NFs
- Establish and operationalize the Biathlon Integrity Unit

#### 5.1 Innovating our future - Street Biathlon

- Conduct a feasibility study for street biathlon and develop an event strategy with venues, rules and regulations - Review existing procedures regarding shooting and event
- safety, to include new, innovative ideas in 'street biathlon' - Establish and implement international street biathlon

#### 1.2 Empowering our federations - NF Support

- Conduct a full review of the current IBU financial support
- Develop a new distribution system, focusing on strong, sustainable impact, with follow-up
- Explore additional funding opportunities from 3<sup>rd</sup> parties

#### 2.2 Enhancing our events - Fan Experience

- Analyze current fan experience at IBU events, liaising with IBU fan groups
- Attract and engage more young people in events
- Implement a fan support system for areas such as accommodation, ticketing and transport.

#### 3.2 Extending our reach - Showcase Biathlon

- Establish a strategy for global biathlon coverage\*
- Expand coverage to traditional & new markets both on TV
- & online together with media partner\* (split in 2)

#### 4.2 Upgrading our governance- International Involvement

- Monitor opportunities for Biathlon Family leaders in international roles
- Develop a support framework for the Biathlon Family to gain positions within top sporting bodies
- Analyze hosting opportunities for cross-sport events

#### 5.2 Innovating our future - Digital World

- Analyze the potential of new technology to enhance the performance of athletes and coaches
- Establish a clear strategy to build institutional capacities to monitor, understand and act on technological trends that can better promote the sport

#### 1.3 Empowering our federations - Youth Participation

- Conduct a full analysis into existing youth competition formats
- Enhance efforts to promote the sport to young people
- Establish a database of youth participation
- Establish a strategy for regional IBU events\* (3.2)
- Host regular intl IBU events outside traditional venues\* (3.2)

#### 2.3 Enhancing our events - Athlete Experience

- Integrate Athletes' Committee in calendar planning / review
- Assess current athlete experience and work with OCs to raise standards
- Implement a strict enforcement of the smoking ban at the venue, with designated smoking areas

#### 3.3 Extending our reach - International Promotion

- Develop a international sponsorship framework with marketing partner
- · Work with existing fan groups to establish new groups worldwide

- decision-making processes
- on specific issues

#### 5.3 Innovating our future - Sustainability

- Review all areas to be improved from a sustainability viewpoint
- Establish initiatives to decrease the footprint of IBU events
- Identify opportunities to promote sustainability within biathlon and international sport.











## Target 26 Status Report 1. Empowering our federations - IBU Academy

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

1.1 IBU Academy: Create the IBU Academy

Lead: Dagmara Gerasimuk

Working Group: Niklas Carlsson, Riikka Rakic EB: Olle Dahlin, Tore Boygard, Jiri Hamza

Stakeholders: NFs, Athletes

### **PROJECT MISSION**

Create the IBU Academy to provide practical support for NFs, athletes and coaches Establish a centralized, tailored

system to develop, train & educate athletes, coaches and NFs



#### **GOALS BY 2022**

- Clarify the structure, mission, values and objectives of the Biathlon Academy, with a distinct IBU department set up to oversee its development **ONGOING**
- Develop Biathlon Academy programs and initiatives; including the level and type of support **ONGOING**
- Establish a certification program for coaches (and potentially other positions serving in the federation) to support Member Federations in their daily work and development process ONGOING

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

- Finalized the IBU Coaching Framework
- Appointed a Head of Education
- Prepared the Research Grant Program terms and conditions

#### **NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES**

- Initiate partnerships with the selected educational partners EB157
- Launch first coaching Basic/Level 1 course in Q4/2021
- Present the IBU-A concept to the NFs at Presidents' Meeting Sep 21
- Define KPIs for the IBU-A by Nov 21
- Launch and evaluate initial programs launched by Congress 2022 (athletes and coaches by 2021, other 2022)

#### **EB DECISION REQUIRED**

EB 157/June: Acknowledge the research grant program and educational partnership concept.



## Target 26 Status Report 1. Empowering our federations - NF Support

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

1.2 NF Support: Establish a more effective financial support system

Lead: Niklas Carlsson

Working Group: Felix Bitterling, Dagmara Gerasimuk, Margit Eidenhammer, Riikka Rakic

EB: Olle Dahlin, Jiri Hamza, Tore Boygard, Franz Steinle

Stakeholders: NFs, Athletes

#### GOALS BY 2022

- Conduct a full review on the current IBU financial support system, with an outline of areas to improve. **DONE**
- Develop more effective regulations for the distribution of financial support, focusing on strong, sustainable impact, with follow-up to ensure the responsible use of such support ONGOING
- Explore and communicate additional funding opportunities for Member Federations from third party sources **ONGOING**

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

- Continued dialogue within the Working Group
- Consulted with Athletes' Committee, Q2/2021
- Consulted with NFs at regional sessions during Q2/2021

### **PROJECT MISSION**

Establish a NF support system that

- is tailored to their circumstances
- meets needs of the sport
- enables NFs to grow the sport
- rewards proactivity and impact
- is transparent



#### **NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES**

- Present the final version for approval at EB 159
- Present at Presidents' Meeting in Sept 2021, for implementation from financial year 2022/23 onward
- Continue to work on identifying new funding opportunities for NFs

#### **EB DECISION REQUIRED**

Direction EB 157 and approval at EB 159 (after consulting with the NFs at the Presidents Meeting).



# Target 26 Status Report 1. Empowering our federations - Youth Participation

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

1.3 Youth Participation: Enhance youth participation

Lead: Dagmara Gerasimuk Working Group: Felix Bitterling

EB: Tore Boygard, Max Cobb, Jiri Hamza

Stakeholders: NFs, Athletes, OCs

### PROJECT MISSION

Enhance youth participation and create accessible pathways for young athletes by developing concrete measures that:

- attract young people to biathlon
- keep them in the sport



#### **GOALS BY 2022**

- Conduct a full analysis into the existing competition formats offered to young athletes, making the sport as accessible as possible. **ONGOING**
- Enhance efforts to promote the sport to young people across the world, included expanded use of digital and social media platforms. NOT YET STARTED
- Establish, in collaboration with the Member Federations, a clear database of youth participation producing an analysis on youth participation in biathlon. NOT YET STARTED
- Host regular international IBU events outside of the traditional central European venues (from 3.2). ONGOING
- Establish a strategy for the implementation of regional IBU events, focused on developing biathlon (from 3.2). ONGOING

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

- Delivered and evaluated the pilot season of IBU regional events
- Conducted a NF working group meeting to review and improve concept
- Prepared concept for the Development Reference Group (DRG)

#### **NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES**

- Develop and present a grassroots participation concept to NFs by Nov. 2021
- Define and launch a global youth participation database and tracking process by 1 Sept 2022

#### **EB DECISION REQUIRED**

EB 157/June: Appoint the DRG



## Target 26 Status Report 2. Enhancing our events - Event Standards

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

2.1 Event standards: Increase the consistency of IBU event standards

Lead: Felix Bitterling

Working Group: Christophe Vassallo

EB: Tore Boygard, Jiri Hamza Stakeholders: NFs, OCs

#### PROJECT MISSION

Ascertain a consistently high event quality
Continue to improve event standards in search of excellence Offer hands-on support and facilitate OC knowledge transfer



#### **GOALS BY 2022**

- Conduct an initial review into the need for greater IBU involvement in offering OCs additional on-the-ground support and resources. **ONGOING**
- Increase knowledge-exchange between OCs, including all functions of the Committees. ONGOING
- Develop a clear system for awarding events, using transparent and quantifiable measurement criteria. OCs and NFs will be asked to show clear signs of improvement year-on-year. ONGOING

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

- Allocated World Cup events applying the new long-term application procedure
- Defined new concept for OC financial support from IBU (to be presented at EB Meeting June)

#### **NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES**

- Define frame for long-term OC event delivery obligations connected with IBU Support by Sept 21
- Discuss these obligations at OC meeting in Bled in Sept 2021
- Define and implement a knowledge exchange program for OCs, across functions, in cooperation with the IBU-A from Q3/21onward
- Define concrete event evaluation criteria and targets by Q2/22 from season 22/23 onwards

#### **EB DECISION REQUIRED**

EB 157/June: Financial IBU Support for OCs 2022-2026



## Target 26 Status Report 2. Enhancing our events - Fan Experience

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

2.2 Fan Experience: Improve fan experience at IBU events

Lead: Felix Bitterling

Working Group: Christian Winkler (digital), Engelbert Schweiger, Vlasta Jakes

EB: Ivor Lehotan

Stakeholders: NFs, OCs, Athletes, Fans

#### PROJECT MISSION

Develop measures to recognize loyal, committed fans Implement a program to further improve event atmosphere



#### **GOALS BY 2022**

- Conduct a full analysis of the current fan experience at IBU events, with close liaison and joint projects alongside IBU fan groups ONGOING
- Establish a system for IBU, OCs and fan groups to implement plans to attract and engage more young people to events, including the optimization of new technologies. NOT YET STARTED
- Design and implement a support system for fans, designed to facilitate issues such as accommodation, ticketing and transport. NOT YET STARTED

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

 Liaising with OCs regarding fan interaction between new IBU digital strategy and benefits for events and OCs

#### NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES

- Working Group Meeting (scheduled for end of June 2021) to evaluate improved digital and on-venue needs for fans
- Integrate fan experience in new IBU digital channels, ASAP for digital channel launch in Nov 2021 and increasingly by Nov 2022
- Present findings from 2020/21 Fan Surveys and define a joint action plan with OCs at OC meeting in Sept 2021

#### **EB DECISION REQUIRED**



### **Target 26 Status Report** 2. Enhancing our events - Athlete Experience

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

2.3 Athlete Experience: Improve athlete experience at IBU events

Lead: Felix Bitterling

Working Group: Lorenz Leitgeb, Borut Nunar

EB: Clare Egan, Max Cobb

Stakeholders: Athletes, NFs, OCs

#### **PROJECT MISSION**

Improve the experience of athletes and teams at IBU events Define and implement measures to optimize the athlete experience, in order to enable top performance



#### **GOALS BY 2022**

- Implement the full integration of the Athletes' Committee into the IBU events calendar planning and review processes (define procedure) DONE
- Assess the current level of athlete experience and work with IBU/OCs to raise standards at events **ONGOING**
- Implement a strict enforcement of the smoking ban at the venue, with designated smoking areas **ONGOING**

#### TIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021

- Continued dialogue between AC & IBU (based on IBU-NF set-up)
- Repeated athlete survey post season 2020/21 (aligned between AC & IBU Staff)
- Update the initial IBU standard venue criteria per service area incorporating generally applicable athlete feedback

- NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES
   Enforce smoking ban at venues from season 2021/22 onwards via EHD (beginning with winter season 2021/22; including a transition period for certain areas) - in preparation
- Share athlete survey outcomes with individual OCs to identify points for improvement, during Q2/Q3 2021 - in preparation (part of EHD)
- · Work with OCs to define a process for improvement at individual events at OC Meeting in September 2021

#### EB DECISION REQUIRED



## Target 26 Status Report 3. Extending our reach - Digital Ecosystem

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

3.1 Digital Ecosystem: Establish a fully integrated IBU digital ecosystem Lead: Christian Winkler

Working Group: Niklas Carlsson, Riikka Rakic & external experts as needed EB: Olle Dahlin, Ivor Lehotan, Max Cobb (as Digital Steering Group) Stakeholders: NFs, OCs, Athletes, Fans & Followers, Sponsors & Partners

#### PROJECT MISSION

Guarantee revenue streams for the future Connect the sport of biathlon with new markets and audiences Remain ahead of the curve in the digital domain



**GOALS BY 2022** 

Establish an innovative digital and social media strategy, identifying key platforms, messaging and priority markets DONES

- Implement an upgrading of the IBU website, ensuring it offers a one-stop shop for biathlon followers by integrating event websites and offering possibilities for partner activations **ONGOING**
- Develop a centrally-owned IBU mobile app, providing insightful updates on the sport, including latest news from the IBU **ONGOING**
- Conduct a full review of potential athlete activities that have touchpoints across the world (from 3.3) NOT YET STARTED
- Conduct a full analysis and testing into the potential of e-Biathlon and gamification, ranging from a designed console game to integrated elements in an IBU-owned app (from 5.2) **ONGOING**

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

- Selected and started to work with partner to deliver platforms for ecosystem
- Updated EB DSG in three meetings about project progress
- Continued OC, partner and sponsor engagement
- Included fans into the prototyping process of the new IBU App by means of Fan Survey and a validation process

#### NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES

- Recruit new DPM to run ecosystem after MVP launch by Q3/21
- Consult with Athletes Committee during Q2/21
- Following individual consultations with NFs and OCs, present plans for Ecosystem at Presidents' Meeting and OC meeting in Sept 2021
- Establish concept for athlete touchpoint review by Sept 2021
- Launch an IBU App and the new website by November 2021

#### EB DECISION REQUIRED

EB 157/June: Decision on recruitment of new in-house DPM



## Target 26 Status Report 3. Extending our reach - Showcase biathlon

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

3.2 Showcase biathlon: Increase opportunities to showcase elite biathlon internationally

Lead: Niklas Carlsson

Working Group: Christian Winkler, Riikka Rakic & external experts as needed

EB: Tore Boygard (regional events only) Stakeholders: NFs, Media Partner

### PROJECT MISSION

Ensure IBU platforms share insights and encourage interest in Biathlon

Increase visibility of events and athletes across the world



#### **GOALS BY 2022**

- Establish a strategy for biathlon coverage to be expanded in traditional and new markets, both on TV and online streaming platforms. DONE (STRATEGY) / ONGOING (IMPLEMENTATION)

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

• Continued dialogue with media partner, including on details of implementation as part of the IBU Digital Ecosystem project (3.1)

#### **NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES**

- Establish dialogue with key broadcasters together with media partner wrt implementation of new contract by end of 2021
- Finalize details of implementation of new contract with media partner by end of 2021
- Implement new media agreement from 2022

#### **EB DECISION REQUIRED**



## Target 26 Status Report 3. Extending our reach - International promotion

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

3.3 International promotion: Enhance internationally-viable promotion efforts

Lead: Niklas Carlsson

Working Group: Christian Winkler

EB: Jiri Hamza

Stakeholders: NFs, OCs, Athletes, Fans, Marketing Partner (sponsors & partners)

### PROJECT MISSION

Define and apply promotional techniques to enhance awareness and perception of biathlon globally and in core markets



#### **GOALS BY 2022**

- Develop a framework for international sponsorship agreements which promote the sport internationally, alongside the IBU marketing partner **ONGOING**
- Work alongside existing fan groups to help spread the growth of national biathlon fan groups across the world NOT YET STARTED

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

- Maintained continuous dialogue with marketing partner
- · Completed a brand refresh project

#### **NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES**

- Develop a framework for international sponsorship agreements with the IBU marketing partner during season 2021/2022
- Stage individual meetings with main sponsors about long-term priorities and focus areas for partnership
- Review IBU TV Graphics for implementation in season 2022/2023

#### **EB DECISION REQUIRED**



# Target 26 Status Report 4. Upgrading our governanceGovernance principles

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

4.1 Governance principles: Strengthen IBU's governing principles and regulations

Lead: Niklas Carlsson

Working Group: Dagmara Gerasimuk, Riikka Rakic, Greg McKenna

EB: Klaus Leistner (all), Franz Steinle (good governance, BIU), Jim Carrabre (gender equality)

Stakeholders: NFs

### PROJECT MISSION

Implement the new rules and regulations to upgrade the sport's governing principles and policies



#### **GOALS BY 2022**

- Establish a modern, progressive IBU Constitution, providing clear divisions of responsibility and the framework for future growth DONE
- Conduct a full review into the mechanisms to create gender equality across all IBU levels, designing and sharing gender equality tools and programs for all Member Federations ONGOING
- Complete the establishment of the operationally independent Biathlon Integrity Unit, to manage all integrity-related matters concerning biathlon DONE

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

- In the process of implementing actions revealed by IBU Risk Assessment (submitted to EB156)
- Finalized Gender Equality Strategy and Action Plan
- Finalized BIU 5-year strategy

#### **NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES**

- Present a tracking of good governance measures at EB 157
- Finalize Safeguarding Policy, strategy and action plan for EB158
- Present initial NF Good Governance toolkit at Presidents Meeting, Sept 2021
- Finalize amends to Constitution to discuss at Presidents' Meeting

#### **EB DECISION REQUIRED**

EB 157/June: Approval of Gender Equality Strategy and Action Plan



## Target 26 Status Report 4. Upgrading our governanceInternational involvement

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

4.2 International involvement: Expand the involvement of biathlon in international & national sporting affairs

Lead: Dagmara Gerasimuk (NFs) / Niklas Carlsson (International)

Working Group / EB: Olle Dahlin, Riikka Rakic

Stakeholders: NFs, Athletes

### PROJECT MISSION

IBU NF leaders are recognized as influential managers who set the direction for the development of sport in their countries



#### **GOALS BY 2022**

- Establish a system for monitoring potential opportunities for IBU leaders and Biathlon Family members to be included in international cross-sporting organizations and committees **ONGOING**
- Develop a framework of systematized support for individuals from the Biathlon Family to gain positions within national / international sporting bodies and political regulatory bodies ONGOING
- Conduct a full analysis into potential hosting opportunities of cross-sport events, including specialized seminars and workshops **ONGOING**

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

 Implementing a process for identifying international opportunities for the Biathlon family

#### **NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES**

- Develop an action plan for national level biathlon representation by end of 2021, beginning with a survey and a series of interviews to better understand the national context by Presidents' Meeting 2021
- Continue dialogue with JTA to increase international visibility
- Assess event hosting opportunities via AIOWF, by end of 2021

#### **EB DECISION REQUIRED**



## Target 26 Status Report 4. Upgrading our governanceStakeholder involvement

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

4.3 Stakeholders: Increase the involvement of stakeholders in IBU decision-making

Lead: Niklas Carlsson

Working Group: Riikka Rakic EB: Franz Steinle, Klaus Leistner

Stakeholders: NFs, Athletes, OCs, Sponsors & Partners, Fans

### PROJECT MISSION

Understand stakeholder expectations and include their views in all governance and management processes



#### **GOALS BY 2022**

- Establish an action plan for increasing transparency with all stakeholders regarding IBU leadership decisions and decision-making processes. **ONGOING**
- Establish a system that creates additional opportunities for stakeholder input in IBU decision-making processes. **ONGOING**
- Identify and conduct a series of joint projects for IBU leadership to work alongside stakeholder groups to tackle specific issues. ONGOING

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

- Hosted a series of regional meetings with NFs, AC and TC on IBU Vision, Mission and Objectives
- Prepared a tracking of key Good Governance indicators based on AIOWF governance survey

#### **NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES**

- Continue to implement the Good Governance action plan approved by EB (ongoing)
- Review approach to additional committees by Sept 2021
- Repeat the online NF survey in Spring 2022

#### **EB DECISION REQUIRED**



### Target 26 Status Report 5. Innovating our future - Street Biathlon

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

5.1 Street Biathlon: Develop 'street biathlon' as a unique biathlon discipline

Lead: Felix Bitterling

Working Group: Niklas Carlsson, Christophe Vassallo

EB: Jiri Hamza, Max Cobb

Stakeholders: NFs, Athletes, OCs, Sponsors & Partners, Fans

#### PROJECT MISSION

Develop an off-the-snow, accessible, urban variation of biathlon to attract new markets and new demographics



#### **GOALS BY 2022**

- Conduct a feasibility study for street biathlon and develop a strategy to attract a distinct, youthful audience, and detailing potential venues as well as rules and regulations. ONGOING
- Conduct a review into existing procedures regarding shooting and event safety, establishing a forum for new, innovative ideas to be included in 'street biathlon'. **ONGOING**
- Establish and implement international street biathlon events in populous, urban environments. NOT YET STARTED, Postponed to 2023

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

Conducted a NF street biathlon survey

#### **NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES**

- Working Group to discuss direction for new street biathlon procedures (scheduled - August 2021 during SB WCH)
- Present survey results and findings for feedback at the Presidents' Meeting in Sept 2021 - in preparation/survey evaluation
- Review ECR concerning definition of summer biathlon formats, feasibility of city events, Q2-3/21 - scheduled for TC Fall '21
- If supported by the above survey, conduct a feasibility study (TBC)
- Assess need for a pilot event during summer 2022

#### EB DECISION REQUIRED



## Target 26 Status Report 5. Innovating our future - Digital World

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

5.2 Develop capabilities to place the IBU at the heart of developments in the digital world Lead: Christian Winkler

Working Group: Niklas Carlsson, Felix Bitterling, Riikka Rakic & external experts as needed

EB: Max Cobb

Stakeholders: NFs, Athletes, Fans, Sponsors & Partners

### PROJECT MISSION

Understand value of platforms Investigate e-sports, gaming and other digital solutions Develop a strategy for biathlon to benefit from these platforms



#### **GOALS BY 2022**

- Analyze the potential of new technology to enhance the performance of athletes and coaches NOT YET STARTED
- Establish a clear strategy to build institutional capacities to monitor, understand and act on technological trends that can better promote the sport NOT YET STARTED

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

N/A

#### **NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES**

• Define approach to performance technology analysis by Sept 2021

#### **EB DECISION REQUIRED**



## Target 26 Status Report 5. Innovating our future - Sustainability

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

5.3 Sustainability: Establish biathlon as a leader in promoting sustainability in sport

Lead: Riikka Rakic

Working Group: Dagmara Gerasimuk, Niklas Carlsson

EB: Jim Carrabre

Stakeholders: NFs, OCs, Athletes, Sponsors & Partners, Fans

#### PROJECT MISSION

Ensure biathlon becomes an increasingly sustainable and environmentally-friendly sport and a thought leader among International Federations



#### **GOALS BY 2022**

- Conduct a full review of areas to be improved from a sustainability viewpoint
- Establish initiatives targeted to decrease the footprint of IBU events **ONGOING**
- Identify opportunities to promote sustainability within biathlon and international sport ONGOING

#### **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED SINCE FEBRUARY 2021**

- Delivered the Biathlon Climate Challenge
- Kicked off the IBU Snow project; in the process of collecting baseline information from OCs/NFs
- Prepared launch of the Athlete Ambassador program week of 21 June
- Consulted with several OCs and AC

#### **NEXT STEPS AND DEADLINES**

- Launch the Athlete Ambassador program in June 2021
- Define a reporting framework, by Q3 2021
- Present program to Presidents' Meeting in Sept 2021

#### **EB DECISION REQUIRED**