



Target 26 Category	Empowering our federations		
Target 26 Objective	Create the IBU Academy		
Target 26 Code	1.1		
Project Owner	Development [Director (DD)	
Project Mission	Create the IBU Academy to provide practical support for national federations, athletes and coaches Establish a centralized, tailored system to develop, train and educate: • Current and retired athletes • Coaches / TOs • NF management/administration		
Stakeholders	NFsAthlete	NFsAthletes	
Project Scope			
 Set up the organizational structure to manage the IBU Academy Choose strategic partner(s) in the area of education and higher education (e.g. university, foundation, external organization) Define IBU Academy program portfolio to support Athletes (current & retired) Coaches Other roles in NFs (to be defined) Define and Implement programs and related support by 2022 Establish an evaluation process 			
Project Resources	News	B .1	
Type Staff	Name Dagmara Gerasimuk	Role	Approximate % FTE
Staff	Niklas Carlsson	Support	
Staff	Riikka Rakic	Support	
EB	Olle Dahlin	Support (Mission, values, objectives only)	
EB	Tore Boygard	Support	
EB	Jiri Hamza	Support	
External partner	University or other organization	Support	





Key Milestones	 Defined an initial concept with mission, values, objectives and structure as well program levels & types of support by June 2020 Defined department structure by July 2020 Set up an advisory group from international education professionals in May 2020 Presented IBU Academy and development program concept to NFs in virtual Regional Workshops in June-July 2020 Held online workshops regarding programs and educational structure in Q2-Q4 2020 Defined of coaching certification program levels by 31 December 2020 Present IBU Academy's two-year roadmap and activities until 2022 at Presidents Meeting in September 2021 Initial programs launched and evaluated by Congress 2022 (athletes and coaches by 2021, other 2022)
Success Criteria	 Define BA KPIs: participant satisfaction, cost per participant, long term-impact, number of educated coaches and athletes, number of coaches with license, number of applicants, number of deferred grants.
Dependencies	 2.1 Event standards Potentially 4.2 International Involvement
Additional Info	As needed





Target 26 Category	Empowering our federations	
Target 26 Objective	Establish a more effective financial support system	
Target 26 Code	1.2	
Project Owner	Secretary General (SG)	
Project Mission	 Establish a more effective system of financial support for National Federations that is tailored to their unique circumstances meets needs of the sport enables NFs to grow the sport in their countries rewards proactivity and impact is transparent with criteria and principles regarding the distribution of support 	
Stakeholders	NFsAthletesOCs	
Project Scope:		
Review current IBU financial support system		

- Review current IBU financial support system
- Based on a survey with the NFs, review the possibility to establish criteria to be used as the ratio
- Define overall principles for effective distribution of financial support with focus on impact (growth), follow-up and responsible use
- Develop rules, processes and timeline for implementation
- Identify additional funding opportunities for NFs from third party sources
- Establish an evaluation process & metrics (Goal 2026)

Project Resources

Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE
Staff	Niklas Carlsson	Lead	
Staff	Margit Eidenhammer	Support	
Staff	Dagmara Gerasimuk	Support	
Staff	Riikka Rakic	Support	
EB	Olle Dahlin	Support	
EB	Jiri Hamza	Support	
EB	Tore Boygard	Support (Review current IBU financial support system)	





Key Milestones	 Conducted an online NF survey in March-April 2020 Completed review of current system in Q2 2020 Developed distribution principles and presented to EB initially in July 2020 Present concept following EB approval at EB 157 to the Presidents' Meeting in September 2021 Implement new system from financial year 2022/2023 onward Identify additional funding opportunities by 1 April 2022 Establish annual evaluation process by 1 September 2022
Success Criteria	Overall increase of IBU Budget for NF FundingDevelopment of Biathlon based on KPIs to be agreed
Dependencies	• 1.1 IBU Academy
Additional Info	As needed





Target 26 Category	Empowering our federations		
Target 26 Objective	Enhance youth participation		
Target 26 Code	1.3		
Project Owner	Development D	Director (DD)	
Project Mission	To enhance youth participation and create accessible pathways for young athletes by developing concrete measures to support National Federations around the world that: • attract young people to biathlon • keep them in the sport		
Stakeholders	 NFs Athletes OCs 		
Project Scope			
 Analyze existing competition formats for young athletes Summarize and develop recommendations for future improvement Define and develop a database of youth participation and develop recommendations for growing grassroots sport participation, potentially through a global license system Develop a promotional program to engage young people in biathlon across the world, e.g. "Biathlon for all" Implement a strategy for regional IBU events, focused on developing biathlon (from 3.2) Plan to host regular international IBU events outside of the traditional central European venues (from 3.2) Establish targets and a tracking process including a NF reporting framework (Goal 2026) 			
Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE
Staff	Dagmara Gerasimuk	Lead	
Staff	Felix Bitterling	Support	
EB	Tore Boygard	Support	
EB	Max Cobb	Support	
EB	Jiri Hamza	Support	





Key Milestones	 Conducted an initial survey with the NFs to analyze current competition formats – requires additional information to fully understand national differences Established dialogue with member NFs during virtual Regional meetings and defined a concept for IBU regional events Established a concept and implemented a Regional Event pilot for season 2020/2021 Define a concept for broad grassroots participation and launch promotional program by 1 Sept 2022 Launch youth participation database and tracking process by 1 Sept 2022
Success Criteria	 Growth in youth participation and number of active biathletes Enhanced NF data collection / quality
Dependencies	• TBC
Additional Info	As needed





Target 26 Category	Enhancing our events		
Target 26 Objective	Increase the co	onsistency of IBU event stand	ards
Target 26 Code	2.1		
Project Owner	Sport & Events	Director (SD)	
Project Mission	Continue to im	nsistently high event quality prove event standards in sear support and facilitate OC kno	
Stakeholders	NFsOCs		
Project Scope			
annual improvemeIncrease knowledgReview need for g	ent targets for O ge-exchange pro reater IBU involv	ocess, using transparent, qua Cs/NFs ograms between OCs, includir /ement in supporting OCs and ibilities; Goal 2026)	ng all OC functions
Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE
Staff	Felix Bitterling	Lead	
EB	Tore Boygard	Support	
EB	Jiri Hamza	Support	
TC Chair	Christophe Vassallo	Support	
Key Milestones	 Event allocation process for WC 2022-2026 and lower IBU series 2022-2024 approved by EB in Feb 2020 WCH application process for WCH 2024/25 approved by EB in Feb 2020 Define Financial Support framework for 2022-2024 and 2024-2026 in June 2021 Define frame for long-term OC event delivery obligations by September 2021 (to be discussed at the OC meeting in Bled in September 2021) Define concrete event evaluation criteria and improvement targets by June 2022 from season 2022-2023 onwards Define and implement a knowledge exchange program for OCs, across functions, in cooperation with the new IBU Academy from Summer 2021 onward 		





Success Criteria	KPIs for events
Dependencies/ Interaction	IBU Academy 1.1
Additional Info	As needed





Target 26 Category	Enhancing our events	
Target 26 Objective	Improve fan experience at IBU events	
Target 26 Code	2.2	
Project Owner	Sport & Events Director (SD)	
Project Mission	Develop measures to recognize loyal, committed fans Implement a program to further improve event atmosphere	
Stakeholders	 NFs OCs Athletes Fan/Fan Clubs 	
Project Scope		
• Analyze current fan experience at events, cooperating with fans/IBU fan clubs (baseline		

- survey)
 Create a joint action plan among IBU, OCs and fan clubs to attract young people to events, including with new technologies
- Create a fan club support system to assist with logistics
- Establish a fan event experience evaluation process (Goal 2026)

Project Resources			
Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE
Staff	Felix Bitterling	Lead for Services	
Staff	Christian	Support / Lead for Digital	
	Winkler	Issues	
EB	Ivor Lehotan	Support	
OC	Engelbert Schweiger	Support	
00	Vlasta Jakes	Support	
Key Milestones	 Conducted a survey with registered fan clubs in Q2-Q3 2020 Conducted two surveys with international fans on social media in February 2020 and February 2021 Integrate fan experience in new IBU digital tools, as much as possible at launch in Nov 2021 and increasingly by Nov 2022 Present findings from Fan Surveys and define a joint action plan with OCs at OC meeting Sept 2021 Define and launch a fan / fan club support system by Sept 2022 Establish a fan satisfaction and event experience evaluation process by Sept 2022 		





Success Criteria	KPIs for fan satisfaction
Dependencies	3.1 Digital Ecosystem
Additional Info	• As needed



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Target 26 Category	Enhancing our events
Target 26 Objective	Improve athlete experience at IBU events
Target 26 Code	2.3
Project Owner	Sport and Events Director (SD)
Project Mission	Improve the experience of athletes and their teams at IBU events Define and implement measures to optimize the athlete experience, in order to enable top performance
Stakeholders	NFsOCsAthletes
Project Scope	

- Implement the full integration of the Athletes' Committee into the IBU events calendar planning and review processes (define procedure)
- Assess the current level of athlete experience and work with IBU/OCs to raise standards at events
- Implement a strict enforcement of the smoking ban at the venue, with designated smoking areas
- Define and establish an athlete event experience evaluation process (Goal 2026)

Project Resources			
Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE
Staff	Felix Bitterling	Lead	
EB	Max Cobb	Support	
EB	Clare Egan	AC Input / Support	
OC (TC)	Lorenz Leitgeb	Support	
Staff	Borut Nunar	Support	
Key Milestones	 selection pr Conducted experience Conduct a f Q2 2021 Share surve improvement Work with Q events at O Implement si via EHD (be 	ated Athletes' Committee in ca rocesses by Q2-Q3 2020 an initial assessment of the co via online survey in Q2 2020 further survey together with th ey outcomes with individual O nt, during Q2-Q3 2021 OCs to define a process for im C Meeting in September 2027 strict smoking ban at IBU even eginning at SB WCH; including thlete experience evaluation p	urrent level of athlete e Athletes' Committee in Cs to identify points for provement at individual 1 nts from season 2021/2022 g a transition period)





Success Criteria	 Constant cooperation/exchange between IBU and Athlete Committee Constant evaluation: What is manageable for OCs
Dependencies	Financial Support 1.2 (including prize money)
Additional Info	As needed





Target 26 Category	Extending our reach			
Target 26 Objective	Establish a full	Establish a fully integrated IBU digital ecosystem		
Target 26 Code	3.1	3.1		
Project Owner	Communicatio	ns Director (CD)		
Project Mission	consumption e Connect the sp	enue streams for the future in nvironment port of biathlon with new mark of the curve in the digital don	ets and audiences	
Stakeholders		ors & Partners Followers		
Project Scope				
 Develop an innovative digital strategy, including key platforms, messaging and priority markets Upgrade the IBU website to a one-stop shop integrating event websites and partner activation Develop a centrally-owned IBU mobile app, featuring news on the sport and from the IBU Conduct a full analysis into and test potential e-Biathlon and gamification experiences, ranging from a designed console game to integrated elements in an IBU-owned app (moved from 5.2) Project Resources				
Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE	
Staff	Christian Winkler	Lead		
Staff	Niklas Carlsson	Support		
Staff	Riikka Rakic	Support		
Staff (Digital Media Manager)	René Denfeld	Support		
Staff (Digital Project Manager)	Jouni Oksanen	Support		
EB	Ivor Lehotan	Support		
External Agency	As required	Support & develop		
Sponsors	ТВС	Support on Activation & Reach		





Key Milestones	 Fan survey and market evaluation completed in March 2020 Presented digital strategy to key partners (Q2-Q4 2020) Developed new digital strategy, approved by EB in July '20 (EB152) Employed an interim Digital Project Manager to execute/implement digital strategy from Fall 2020 Present status and plans for digital ecosystem to OCs, NFs and athletes in Q2 2021 Present status and plans for digital ecosystem to OCs and NFs in September 2021 at the OC meeting and Presidents' Meeting Complete e-Biathlon and gamification analysis by Q2 2022 Develop an IBU App by 1 November 2021 Upgrade the IBU website by 1 November 2021
Success Criteria	 KPIs based on website metrics KPIs based on App metrics Delivery of Website and App by agreed deadlines Acceptance of new Intranet by stakeholder groups Partner activation/Stakeholder integration on own and shared channels
Dependencies	 Showcasing biathlon 3.2 International promotion 3.3 Enhance Youth Participation 1.3 Developments in the digital and virtual world 5.2 Increase engagement of all stakeholders in IBU decision-making 4.3 IBU Academy 1.1 Fan experience at events 2.2
Additional Info	As needed





Target 26 Category	Extending our reach
Target 26 Objective	Increase opportunities to showcase elite biathlon internationally
Target 26 Code	3.2
Project Owner	Secretary General (SG)
Project Mission	Ensure IBU platforms share insights and encourage interest in Biathlon Increase visibility of events and athletes across the world
Stakeholders	NFsMedia partner

Project Scope

- Develop a strategy for expanding biathlon coverage in both traditional and new markets on television and online streaming platforms
- Work with the media rights holder to minimize number of dark territories and optimize promotion and presence in other markets
- Review dark territories and select some for proactive work together with NFs
- Review current marketing efforts from broadcasters that have acquired rights
- Maximize the use of non-linear on demand offers on a global scale

Project Resources			
Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE
Staff	Niklas Carlsson	Lead	
Staff	Christian Winkler	Support	
Key Milestones	 Signed new media contract for 2022 onwards – 20 Feb 2020 Establish dialogue with all key broadcasters together with EBU with regard to implementation of new contract from 2022 by end of 2021 Implementation of new media agreement from 2022 		
Success Criteria		s / viewers / spectators inside oss platforms	and outside traditional
Dependencies	3.1 Digital Ecosystem		
Additional Info	Note: Move	d regional events related asp	ects to 1.3

Project Resource





Target 26 Category	Extending or	ur reach	
Target 26 Objective	Enhance interr	nationally-viable promotion effo	orts
Target 26 Code	3.3		
Project Owner	Secretary Gen	eral (SG)	
Project Mission		bly promotional techniques to iathlon globally and in core m	
Stakeholders	 NFs Athletes OCs Fans IBU Matical Instance 	s irketing partner / Sponsors & F	Partners
Project Scope			
 Develop a framework for international sponsorship agreements to promote the sport internationally, alongside the IBU marketing partner Review athlete activities that have touch points across the world (Lead: Christian) Work alongside fans and fan clubs to help spread the growth of national biathlon fans across the world Project Resources 			
Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE
Staff	Niklas Carlsson	Lead	
Staff	Christian Winkler	Support	
EB	Jiri Hamza	Support	
Key Milestones	 Maintain continuous dialogue with marketing partner Develop a framework for international sponsorship agreements by 1 Sept 2022 Establish concept for athlete touchpoint review by 1 Sept 2021 Conduct Athlete activity review by 1 Sept 2022 Fan club promotional program by 1 Sept 2022 		
Success Criteria	• KPIs on aw	areness and brand recognition	ı
Dependencies	-	Digital eco-system 3.1Showcase biathlon 3.2	
Additional Info	• As needed		





Target 26 Category	Upgrading our governance
Target 26 Objective	Strengthen IBU's governing principles and regulations
Target 26 Code	4.1
Project Owner	Secretary General (SG)
Project Mission	Implement the new rules and regulations to upgrade the sport's governing principles and policies
Stakeholders	• NFs

Project Scope

Project Resources

- Implement a modern, progressive IBU Constitution, providing a clear division of responsibilities and a framework for future growth
- Review the mechanisms to implement gender equality across all IBU levels and develop gender equality tools and programs for all NFs (lead: Dagmara)
- Review the mechanisms to ensure good governance across all IBU levels and develop appropriate tools and programs for all NFs
- Complete the establishment of the operationally independent Biathlon Integrity Unit, to manage all integrity-related matters concerning biathlon (lead: Greg)

Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE
Staff	Niklas Carlsson	Lead	
Staff	Dagmara Gerasimuk	Support, Lead on gender equality	
Staff	Riikka Rakic	Support	
Staff	Greg Mckenna	Lead on BIU and integrity matters	
ЕВ	Klaus Leistner	Support (all)	
EB	Franz Steinle	Support (good governance, BIU)	
EB	Jim Carrabre	Support (gender equality)	





Key Milestones	 Presented review and action plan at EB 150 in Feb 2020 Completed establishment of the BIU in Q2 2020 Completed review and defined measures for enhancing gender equality in February 2021 Complete tracking of implementation of measures for good governance by June 2021 Present a governance toolkit at Presidents' Meeting Sept 2021 Fully implement new constitution by 1 Sept 2022
Success Criteria	 KPIs on NFs for implementation BIU with own metrics
Dependencies	• TBC
Additional Info	As needed





Target 26 Category	Upgrading our governance
Target 26 Objective	Expand the involvement of biathlon in international and national sporting affairs
Target 26 Code	4.2
Project Owner	Development Director
Project Mission	IBU NF leaders are recognized as influential managers who set the direction for the development of sport in their countries and at various levels of the Olympic movement by establishing a system of monitoring opportunities and supporting individuals.
Stakeholders	NFsAthletes
Project Scope (as per Target 26)	

- Establish a system for monitoring potential opportunities for IBU leaders and Biathlon Family members to be included in international cross-sporting organizations and committees
- Develop a framework of systematized support for individuals from the Biathlon Family to gain election/nomination to positions within national and international sporting bodies and political regulatory bodies
- Analyze potential hosting opportunities of cross-sport events, including specialized Seminars and Workshops

Project Resources			
Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE
Staff	Dagmara Gerasimuk	Lead National	
Staff / EB	Niklas Carlsson	Lead International	
Key Milestones	 Included IBU representatives in three IOC commissions for 2021 Began implementing a framework for identifying international opportunities for the Biathlon family 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 		
Success Criteria	To be defined		
Dependencies	1.1 Biathlon Academy		





Additional Info

• as needed





Target 26 Category	Upgrading our governance		
Target 26 Objective	Increase the involvement of stakeholders in IBU decision-making		
Target 26 Code	4.3		
Project Owner	Secretary Gen	eral (SG)	
Project Mission	Understand stakeholder expectations and include their views in all governance and management processes		
Stakeholders	 NFs Athletes OCs Sponsors & Partners Fans / Fan Clubs 		
Project Scope			
 Survey stakeholders (establish base line) Establish an action plan for increasing transparency regarding IBU decision-making Create additional opportunities for stakeholder input in IBU decision-making processes Implement joint projects for IBU leadership to work alongside stakeholders to tackle specific issues Project Resources			
Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE
Staff	Niklas Carlsson	Lead	
EB	Franz Steinle	Support	
ЕВ	Klaus Leistner	Support	
Staff	Riikka Rakic	Support	
Key Milestones	 Conducted a stakeholder survey in March/April 2020 and established a baseline for biannual surveys Established several expert groups under Target 26 to ensure broad engagement Held a three-part series of virtual regional meetings on governance, development and sustainability Implemented the principle of annual Presidents' Meeting Review the need for additional committees 		
Success Criteria	Stakeholder survey rating increases		

Dependencies

• TBC





Additional Info

• As needed





Target 26 Category	Innovating our future			
Target 26 Objective	Develop 'street biathlon' as a unique biathlon discipline			
Target 26 Code	5.1			
Project Owner	Sport & Events	B Director (SD)		
Project Mission		Develop an off-the-snow, accessible, urban variation of biathlon to attract new markets and new demographics		
Stakeholders	 NFs Athletes OCs Sponsors & Partners Fans / Fan Clubs 			
Project Scope				
 Conduct a feasibility study for street biathlon Develop a strategy focused on attracting a distinct, youthful audience, including identifying potential venues Define rules and regulations Review existing procedures regarding shooting and event safety Establish a forum for new, innovative ideas to be included in 'street biathlon' Implement international street biathlon events in populous, urban environments 				
Project Resources				
Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE	
Staff	Felix Bitterling	Lead		
Staff	Niklas Carlsson	Support		
EB	Jiri Hamza	Support		
EB	Max Cobb	Support		
тс	Christophe Vassallo	Support		
Staff	Kristjan Oja	Support		





Key Milestones	 Initiated discussion on cooperation with Blink Festival, Biathlon Wiesbaden and Martin Fourcade Nordic Festival, to be continued during summer season 2021 Discussed project direction with working group (above) Conduct a NF survey on street biathlon (interest & expectations) in Q2 2021 Present survey results and findings for feedback at the Presidents' Meeting in September 2021 If required, conduct a feasibility study (timing TBC) Assess need for a pilot during summer 2022 The EB to consider a proposal to the Congress 2022 Implement street biathlon (in connection with SB WCH) earliest by 1 May 2023
Success Criteria	• TBC
Dependencies	• TBC
Additional Info	As needed





Target 26 Category	Innovating our future	
Target 26 Objective	Develop capabilities to place the IBU at the heart of developments in the virtual and digital world	
Target 26 Code	5.2	
Project Owner	Communication Director (CD)	
Project Mission	Understand value of platforms to make informed decisions in the digital/virtual field Prepare IBU for market entrance in 2028 Investigate e-sports, virtual gaming and other technological/digital solutions Develop and implement a strategy for biathlon leveraging and benefiting from these tools and platforms over time	
Stakeholders	 NFs Athletes Fans Sponsors & Partners 	
Project Scope		

- Conduct and share a full analysis of the potential of new technologies to enhance the performance of athletes and coaches (Lead: Felix)
- Establish a clear strategy to build institutional capacities to monitor, understand and act on technological trends that can help promote the sport

Project Resources			
Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE
Staff	Christian Winkler	Lead	
Staff	Felix Bitterling	Support (Lead: Performance enhancement)	
Staff	Niklas Carlsson	Support	
EB	Ivor Lehotan	Support (analysis e- Biathlon, gamification)	
EB	Max Cobb	Support (new performance technologies)	
External Agency/ Experts	as required	Consult/Support	
Key Milestones	 Define approach to performance technology analysis by 1 Sept 2021 Complete performance technology analysis by 1 Sept 2022 (Felix) Complete institutional capacity strategy by 1 Sept 2024 		





Success Criteria	 Milestones met as set out on path to implementation Analysis shared and supported by EB and Congress 2022 Foundation created for implementation 2022-2026 in defined fields
Dependencies	Digital Ecosystem 3.1
Additional Info	• Note: Moved gamification related aspects to 3.1





Target 26 Category	Innovating our future		
Target 26 Objective	Establish biathlon as a leader in promoting sustainability in sport		
Target 26 Code	5.3		
Project Owner	Senior Project Manager (SPM)		
Project Mission	Ensure biathlon becomes an increasingly sustainable and environmentally-friendly sport and a thought leader among International Federations		
Stakeholders	 NFs OCs Athlete Sponso Fans 	s ors & Partners	
Project Scope			
 Conduct a full consultation and review of areas to be improved from a sustainability viewpoint, including but not limited to transport, ventilation in wax rooms, disposal of waste and energy solutions Establish sustainability initiatives to decrease the footprint of IBU events Establish a mechanism for identifying opportunities to promote sustainability within biathlon and international sport Project Resources 			
Туре	Name	Role	Approximate % FTE
Staff	Riikka Rakic	Lead	
Staff	Dagmara Gerasimuk	Support	
Staff	Niklas Carlsson	Support	
EB	Jim Carrabre	Support	
Key Milestones	 Presented initial sustainability strategy at the virtual regional sessions to all NFs in August 2020 Sustainability strategy approved by EB in September 2020 Established IBU carbon footprint baseline, received IOC Dow Award for 2020 Launched Snow Management OC knowledge transfer initiative in Q1 2021 Developed an OC carbon footprint calculation tool to help establish event series footprint from season 2020-21 onwards Developed a sustainability ambassador program concept, to launch from spring/summer 2021 Present program to Presidents' Meeting in Sept 2021 		





Success Criteria	 High level targets for 2030 as defined in Sustainability Policy Focus Area targets as defined in Sustainability Strategy
Dependencies	• TBC
Additional Info	• as needed