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National Federations**

Torino, 2nd May 2018

Dear National Federations,

With this letter we would like to officially launch the applications for the 2019 season of IFSC World Cups.

The National Federations are requested to apply through the official [Gestixi](#) account, the deadline is fixed for the 31st of May. The application process will require the insertion of technical information concerning venue, facilities, program and staffing of the National Federation. Please note that each National Federation will be asked to pay a deposit fee, 500 € for discipline, which will not be refunded in case of withdraw.

Please note that the IFSC Executive Board has voted and approved an official derogation concerning the preparation of the calendar 2019. After a careful analysis of all the needs of various stakeholders the IFSC Executive Board has approved the reduction of maximum World Cups for the 2019 season. The limit is now fixed for **6 World Cups for each discipline**, and it will valid for the 2019 season. This aims to improve the general quality of the IFSC circuit of event. Factors as density of the calendar, health of athletes, and qualification path to the 2020 Olympic Games where also considered on taking this decision.

The IFSC will collect all the various applications until the deadline, and it will confirm a maximum of 6 World Cups for each discipline. The following factors will be taken into consideration in case of exceeding applications =

- Technical review, based on the documents uploaded on Gestixi and report on past competitions, if any. This review is based on the quality of the different facilities and services included on the IFSC [EOH](#), and presented by the NF with the application.
- Geographical limitation, where in case of multiple applications of the same Country, applications from other locations will be prioritized.
- Economical Guarantee, as payment of deposit fees and other possible request from IFSC.

Sincerely,

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