

NPCs' Classification Forum

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Implementing The Athlete Classification Code

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- What are the priority elements of the Code and International Standards?



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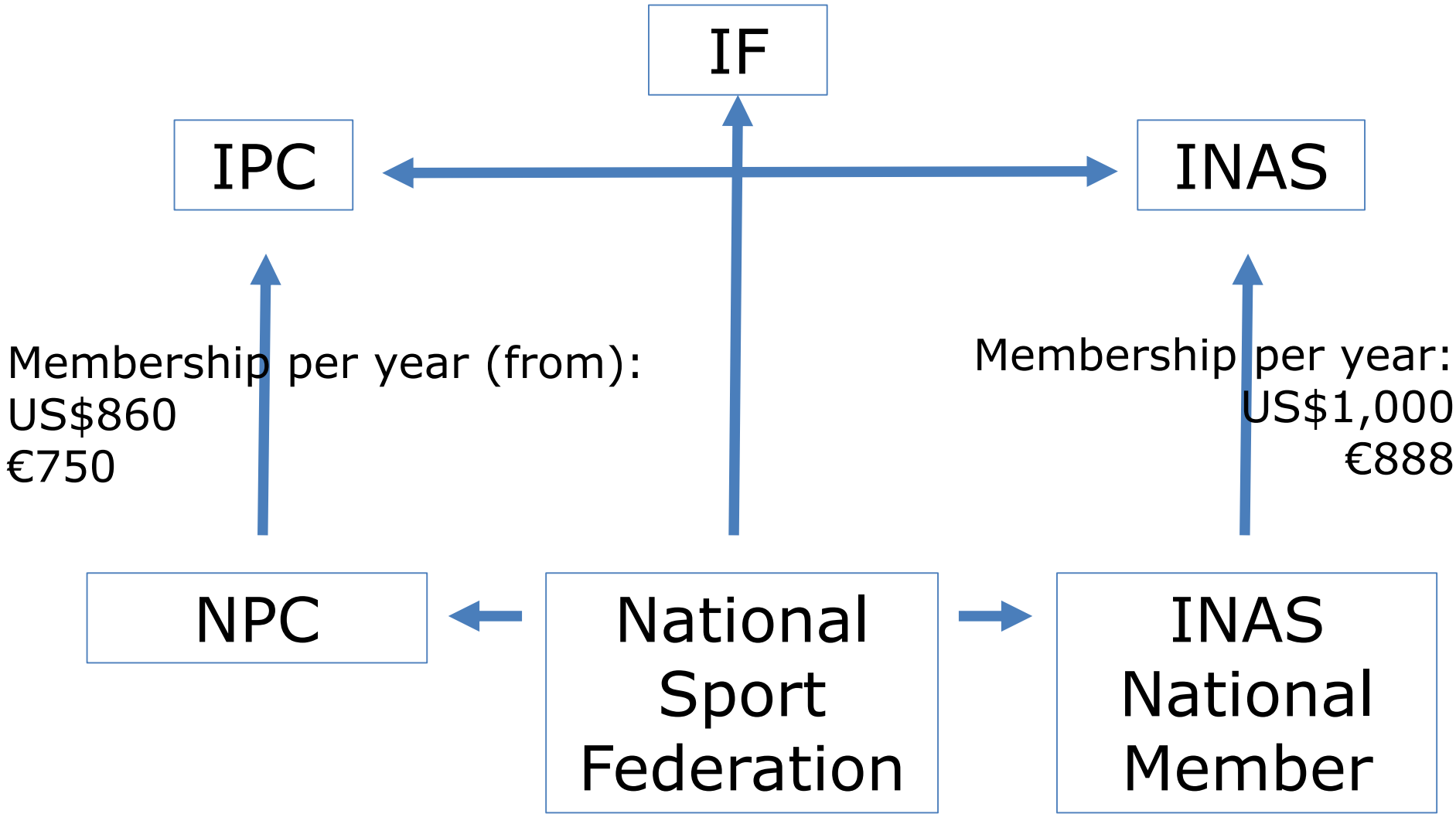
- If they were properly implemented what would it look like?
 - How would you measure effective implementation?
 - What support would IFs and NPCs need to effectively implement the Code?
 - Will the Model of Best Practice help NPCs to implement the Code?
 - What sanction(s) should there be if a member did not implement the Code?
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The INAS Eligibility Process



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Sharing National Classification Data



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Great Britain Classification Data 2015

Number of athletes that underwent national classification	589
Total number of active athlete that have been nationally classified	3,219
Number of athletes that underwent international classification, of which:	244
...changed class between national and international	38
Number of athletes who had their international class changed, of which:	20
... were declared Not Eligible	8
... were moved into a more competitive class	7
Number of active national classifiers	122
Number of active international classifiers	34



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The Theme

An opportunity for National Paralympic Committees to come together to share and debate their current issues and challenges around classification and establish a collaborative approach to future strategies.

Date Tuesday, 7 May

Location BPA Offices, London

Attendees 15 NPCs **Including...**

Japan	Canada	Great Britain	Sweden	New Zealand
France	Finland	Denmark	Germany	United States of America
Ireland	Belgium	Australia	Norway	Netherlands

What happened?

Effective implementation of the revised IPC Athlete Classification Code was debated. It comes into effect in January 17. A consensus was reached and presented to the IPC, who joined the Forum via Skype.

Where next?

Further opportunities for NPCs to meet and maintain the momentum established include:

- Rio 2016 Paralympic Games
- IPC/IF/NPC Classification Experts' Meeting, proposed early 2017
- Vista Conference, September 2017, Toronto, Canada



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The Feedback

- "Great to see the increase in NPCs interested in improving classification and sharing information"
- "Good to collectively challenge IPC and look ahead to positively develop the Paralympic movement"
- "Happy to see that the same difficulties exist in different countries"
- "Thank you BPA for the opportunity to network, share, discuss, showcase and offer support and leadership"

How would you rate this event?



100% of attendees would like BPA to run this type of event again