Development Program 2022/23
(Guidelines and Funding Classification)
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Emerging Nations (EN):
... are nations, which have only one athlete or team among the top 35 (men: 2-man Bobsleigh and Men’s Skeleton), among the top 25 (Women’s Skeleton) and among the top 20 (Women’s Monobob/2-woman Bobsleigh) in the IBSF Discipline Ranking List.

Development Program (DVP):
All athletes from EN under 30 years of age, who are in possession of a valid IBSF e-license, with the exception of the above-listed top athletes, are eligible for the support within the scope of the DVP. These athletes will be reimbursed for their costs (max. 10 training runs per event, max. 5 overnight stays up to the amount of € 50.-/night) for the IBSF supported pay-training and bob and skeleton schools, provided that they also participate in the specific race following the training.

Athletes under the age of 24 will be reimbursed for all track runs and overnight stays (max. € 50.-/night) during the IBSF supported pay-training and bob and skeleton schools, provided that they also participate in the specific race following the training.

In addition, all athletes in the Development Program can submit additional training runs (at self-organized training camps) for reimbursement (up to a maximum of 20 runs).

This support is conditional on mandatory participation in various IBSF programs (e.g. Anti-Doping education, material workshops, start training etc.). An athlete can remain in the program for a maximum of one Olympic cycle and must prove his/her (further) development by participating in IBSF athletics and start tests.

A maximum of 2 athletes/2 teams (team = pilot and brakeman) per gender and nation can be admitted to the program in the disciplines listed below:
- Skeleton
- 2-man/4-man Bobsleigh
- Women’s Monobob/2-woman Bobsleigh

Coaches:
At all camps as well as at the EC/NAC and Youth Events there will be at least one IBSF Coach per discipline on site.
**Additional support:**
Individual initiatives can be funded upon request.

**General Information:**
The IBSF reserves the right to limit the overall number of participants based on track time availability.

In case an athlete would be found to have committed an Anti-Doping Rule Violation or in cases of serious misconduct, he/she will be immediately expelled from the program without notice and without any compensation and the IBSF must be reimbursed for the costs occurred in relation to the athlete’s training and competition, supported by IBSF.

For the purpose of this clause a serious misconduct is to be interpreted as any behavior that makes it immediately and permanently impossible for the parties to pursue their professional relationship. The following shall constitute examples of serious misconduct, which could give rise to the immediate termination: infringement of IBSF Statutes, infringement of the International Rules, Code of Ethics or Codes of Conduct, or any activity that harms or could harm IBSF reputation or image.

**Applications to the IBSF (manfred.maier@ibsf.org) must be submitted before September 15th 2022 in order to be considered.**

**Registration:**
The registration deadline for all events is 14 days prior to the beginning of the event. The number of participants is limited, first come first serve policy will be applied.

**Registration has to be done via the IBSF e-license and registration system.**
In case of non-participation without justification or timely cancellation (7 days before the start of the event), IBSF reserves the right to charge a cancellation fee of € 200./athlete.

**Billing:**
Copies of the paid invoices must be submitted to manfred.maier@ibsf.org and in copy to accounting@ibsf.org **latest 30 days** after the event and must state the account details.

Invoices submitted after the deadline will not be considered. The official form must be used for the settlement of accounts.

The invoice shall carry the relevant program number (e.g. 1.1.1.). A separate invoice needs to be provided for each event.