



OBJECTIVE

The objective is to empower athletes and contribute to the development of an effective global athlete representation network at national level by strengthening direct financial support for NOC Athletes' Commission activities.

BENEFICIARIES

The programme is available to all the NOCs fulfilling the criteria below:

- Having an Athletes' Commission as per the NOC statutes;
- Having an "active" Athletes' Commission (meeting at least once a year);
- Submitting a project prepared by the NOC Athletes' Commission, specifically designed by and for athletes, in line with the programme objective.

NOCs without an Athletes' Commission may apply to support the creation of one.

DESCRIPTION

A grant is being made available to each NOC for 2020, for activities proposed by their Athletes' Commission in line with the programme objective, such as:

- Organising national athletes' forum or a national gathering of athletes;
- Promoting athletes' awareness of defined topics from Olympic Agenda 2020 (e.g. sustainability, safeguarding, etc.);
- Organisation of education workshops (e.g. Olympic Games preparation, anti-doping, prevention of harassment and abuse in sport, capacity building, etc.);
- Empowering athletes to access resources for Athletes' Commissions, Athlete365 resources and outreach workshops;
- Supporting national athlete career transition programmes – (e.g. to propose beneficiaries for or to complement the Olympic Solidarity programme offering individual education opportunities to Olympians);
- Promoting athletes' engagement (e.g. enhance direct relations, key messages, etc.);
- Facilitating Athlete Commission election processes;
- Organisation of Athlete Commission annual meetings;
- Other projects that are in line with the programme objective will be taken into consideration on a case by case basis.

EXTERNAL PARTNERS

The programme is offered by Olympic Solidarity to NOCs, with the collaboration of the IOC Athletes' Commission and the IOC Sports Department.



APPLICATION PROCEDURE

To apply for the Athletes' Commission activity grant for 2020, NOCs should submit to Olympic Solidarity the programme application form duly signed and completed by the NOC Athletes' Commission, detailing the activities they intend to organise.

ANALYSIS AND APPROVAL

The projects submitted by the NOCs will be analysed in collaboration with the relevant partners and approved by Olympic Solidarity, according to the following criteria:

- Compatibility with the objective and guidelines of the programme;
- Feasibility of the activities;
- Budget consistency.

FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

A maximum grant of USD10,000 per NOC is being made available for 2020.

Following approval of the project, the NOC must ensure that the approved activities are completed, and reporting procedures as indicated on the OS online platform are respected.

The follow-up, monitoring and payment process will be as follows:

- Advance payment of 75% made with the OS confirmation of the project;
- Balance payment of 25% made upon receipt and acceptance of the technical and financial reports detailing the activities carried out and the budget used.

FOLLOW-UP AND CONTROL

Following confirmation of the project by Olympic Solidarity, the NOC should ensure that the approved activities are carried out and reported upon.

The programme technical report must be completed as well as the standard NOC financial report according to the Olympic Solidarity financial guidelines and submitted to Olympic Solidarity within a month following the end of the activity.
