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Last Name	BARAT		
First Name	Guillermina		
Sport	Kickboxing		
Discipline (if applicable)	Tatami		
Sport Nationality	Argentina		
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	World Association of Kickboxing Organizations (WAKO)		
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement: Month / Year)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I started my sports career in combat sports with ITF taekwondo when I was 4 years old. I competed nationally and internationally obtaining excellent results individually and as part of the Argentine national team. In 2014, after becoming a mother, I started practicing WAKO kickboxing, becoming to this day one of the main axes of my life. 3rd place World cup 2023 (light contact) 1st place World cup champion 2022 (light contact) 1st place World champion 2021 (kick light) 1st place Pan American champion 2016/2018/2022 (kick light and light contact) 		
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member of WAKO Athlete Committee since 2023 		
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I began my career as a doctor in Rosario at the age of 18, continuing my specialty as an internist. I am an extremely curious and restless person, so I needed to combine my sports career with my studies. That was why I became interested in sports nutrition and tools to improve the quality of life of human beings. I am currently a specialist in clinical and sports nutrition, pursuing a master's degree in clinical psychoneuroendocrinology at the University of Salamanca. I work with athletes and patients who wish to improve their quality of life. 		
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doctor Specialist in Internal Medicine and Clinical Nutrition Postgraduate Diploma in Sports Nutrition Master's Degree in Clinical Psychoneuroimmunology 		
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I am really interested in athletes' health and fair play in combat sports. I strongly believe that by combining my medical knowledge and my experience as a high-level athlete, I can contribute to the hard work WADA is doing to guarantee athletes' well-being.</p>		
What skills, expertise and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>As an athlete and a physician specialized in nutrition and psychoneuroimmunology, I can provide knowledge, techniques and strategies that I myself have experienced in my own body related to nutrition, sleep optimization, hormetic stimuli (cold/heat/hypoxia/hypercapnia). I can also provide state-of-the-art information to improve athletes' performances in a healthy way avoiding the use and abuse of prohibited substances aimed at performance improvement.</p>		
What does Play True mean to you?	<p>For me, PLAY TRUE means competing in a fair way without resorting to any substance that may create the unfair advantage of an athlete over other(s).</p>		


Last Name	BATT	
First Name	Danielle	
Sport	Kurash	
Discipline (if applicable)		
Sport Nationality	United Kingdom	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Kurash Association (IKA)	
Sports Career	Still competing as an international level athlete? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement: Month / Year) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> European Kurash Championships Silver medalist 2024 World & European Judo veteran medalist 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> British Kurash Association Committee member (present) British Judo Association Veterans Commission member (present) 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bachelor of Arts Modern Foreign Languages (French, Spanish, Italian) degree - UK Open University 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2020-present: Family Support Coordinator at Surrey Heath Borough Council 2019-2020: Community Inclusion Officer (Prince's Trust Program Lead) at London Irish Rugby Club 2018-2019: Change Coach (Employment Support) at Maximus UK 2013-2018: Special Education and Intervention Teacher at Haybrook College and Wishmore Cross 2009-2012: Personal Banker at Santander Bank 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	The direct translation of Kurash from its original Uzbek is "attaining a goal by fair means". This ethos is entirely consistent with the work and values of WADA. I have lived by this principle throughout my sporting, professional and academic careers and wish to further promote this to fellow athletes using the WADA platform. By working alongside athletes from other sports on a global basis I believe that together with them I can make a positive contribution in the fight against doping in sport.	
What skills, expertise and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	I have international competition experience in 2 sports. This, alongside my professional work with troubled young people and families has exposed me to the challenges of general drug usage in society, including dealing and supply. My experience as a sports coach and the courses and training I have undertaken have enabled me to develop the skills, empathy and methods of imparting advice to protect athletes from potential doping. I am a native English speaker but also have a strong level of French.	
What does Play True mean to you?	To me Play True means honesty and transparency across the world of sport. I wish for a fair and doping free sports environment in which athletes are able to perform to the best of their ability whilst remaining honest and healthy.	


Last Name	BRORSSON	
First Name	Mona	
Sport	Biathlon	
Discipline (if applicable)		
Sport Nationality	Sweden	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Biathlon Union (IBU)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement as an international-level athlete: 04 / 2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Olympic Games Silver, Women's relay 2018 • European Championships Gold, Sprint and mixed relay 2019 • World Championship Silver, Women's relay 2019 • Olympic Games Gold, Women's relay 2022 • Final season 2023/2024 14th in the total World Cup 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No previous experience 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing studies in political science, with the goal of a Bachelor of Science with a major in Political Science in spring 2025 • Psychology (A) Leadership and coaching • Political Science (B) Leadership in public sector • Sociology (A) Leadership and organisational theory 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biathlon expert commentator for Swedish television • Lectures in sport and motivation 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>It would give me a unique opportunity to be a voice for all athletes, to affect and contribute to antidoping policies and be able to fight for fair and clean sport. I would be able to represent my former colleagues, speak up for them, bring forward their views and needs and make sure that their voices get heard at the highest level. My commitment and my experience within my sport makes me a good candidate and hopefully able to make a true difference in the fight against doping.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>My studies in political science, policy making, leadership and hands on experience from antidoping procedures in biathlon, give me knowledge about how to analyze, develop and enhance antidoping policies. My understanding for complex regulations and intersections with stakeholders helps me protect the integrity of sport and create fair rules for all athletes. It's of great importance that adopted policies are both fair and feasible.</p>	
What does Play True mean to you?	<p>For me Play True is a commitment to maintain the values of sport and to protect the health of the athletes and the credibility of sport. It's a reminder that real performance comes from hard work, dedication and respect of the rules.</p>	


Last Name	BROSE	
First Name	Douglas	
Sport	Karate	
Discipline (if applicable)	Kumite	
Sport Nationality	Brazil	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	World Karate Federation (WKF)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement as an international-level athlete: 12 / 2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 times World Champion: gold medalist at the World Championships 2010, 2014 and 2021 • 2 times World medalist: bronze and silver medalist at the World Championships 2008, 2012 • 8 times Pan American Champion (2011-2015-2016-2017-2019-2020-2021-2022) • Pan American Games Champion 2015 • Multiple medalists at Pan American Games (2007-2011- 2019 - 2023) • World Games Champion in 2009 and medalist in another 3 editions of the World Games • Top ranked athlete for over a decade 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WKF Athletes' Commission member since 2014, reelected twice in 2018 and 2023 • WKF Rules and Ranking Commission member since 2024 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree in Physical Education and Sports, with focus on Business Administration (2010) (University UNISUL) • Fluent in English and Spanish • Study of physical activity practices and high-performance training 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Started Karate at age 7, with international debut as part of the National team at age 14 • Brazilian National Karate Team member for over 20 years, also serving as captain • Subject of several scientific studies of the High-Performance Center of Sao Paulo, Brazil: case study as world champion, research on development of speed and other physical skills within the sport • International instructor at seminars around the world • Technical advisor to national teams from other countries 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>My candidacy for the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Athletes' Council is justified by my long and respected career in karate, where I have won several international titles, always maintaining an unwavering commitment to sports integrity. Throughout my career, I have taken numerous anti-doping tests and have passed all of them without any problems, which reinforces my commitment to ethics and fair play.</p> <p>As a renowned athlete, I believe that I can actively contribute to ensuring that future generations of athletes continue to compete under fair conditions and within the principles established by WADA. My practical experience,</p>	

	combined with in-depth knowledge of the challenges faced by high-performance athletes, makes me qualified to represent the voice of athletes, promoting a fairer, more transparent and ethical sports environment.
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	My skills as an international athlete, with notable titles in karate, give me a practical understanding of the challenges faced by high-performance athletes. With extensive experience in anti-doping tests, all successfully passed, I maintain a strong commitment to sports integrity. My degree in Physical Education and my fluency in English and Spanish allow me to operate effectively in a global environment. Additionally, my involvement in scientific studies on physical performance qualifies me to contribute technical knowledge to the commission's decisions. As the captain of the Brazilian National Karate Team, I have developed leadership and teamwork skills, which are essential for collaborating in the development of anti-doping policies.
What does Play True mean to you?	To me, "Play Fair" represents an unwavering commitment to sporting integrity, ensuring that competition is fair and free from any cheating or illicit substances. Playing fair means honoring not only the sport, but also the opponents and the spirit of sportsmanship, and setting an example of ethics for future generations. This is also part of one of Karate's mottos, fidelity to the true path of reason.

Last Name	BUWALDA	
First Name	Sacha	
Sport	Sambo	
Discipline (if applicable)		
Sport Nationality	Netherlands	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International SAMBO Federation (FIAS)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement: Month / Year)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth World SAMBO Champion 2016 World Champion Beach SAMBO seniors 2024 European SAMBO Champion seniors 2022 2nd at the World Championships seniors 2022 Two times silver medalist at the World Championships Beach SAMBO seniors 2022, 2023 Bronze medalist at the European Championships seniors 2024 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently I am member of the FIAS Athlete's commission 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finished high school Went to university for 2,5 years to follow the study 'safety & security' Dropped out of school to join the military police 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I do not have a specific professional career, besides the training I am doing part-time jobs to finance the competitions. Working in a supermarket At a cinema Training other athletes 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council to represent athletes' voices and concerns. Ensuring fair competition and protecting athletes' rights are vital. I aim to promote transparency and education around anti-doping. Collaboration is key, and together we can create a supportive environment. Every athlete deserves to feel empowered in their sport.</p>	
What skills, expertise and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I bring strong communication skills to effectively represent athletes' perspectives.</p> <p>My background in sports management gives me insight into the challenges athletes face with anti-doping policies.</p> <p>I'm also dedicated to building trust and transparency within the athlete community.</p>	
What does Play True mean to you?	<p>To me, "Play True" means competing with integrity and respecting the rules for fair play.</p> <p>It's about clean competition and building trust in the sports community.</p>	

Last Name	ĆOSIĆ	
First Name	Ivan	
Sport	ParaVolleyball	
Discipline (if applicable)	Sitting Volleyball	
Sport Nationality	Croatia	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	World ParaVolleyball (WPV)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement: Month / Year)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Captain of the Croatia Paravolley team • 4 World championships participation • 8 European championships participation • Multiple national championship and cup titles • 2 times winner of best attacker in the European championships (2017, 2019) 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair of the Paravolley Europe AC from 2019, • Member of the World Paravolley AC since 2019, and Vice-chair of the World Paravolley AC since 2023, • Member of the WADA AC since 2023 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finished high school • Currently studying Sports Management on Libertas International University in Zagreb, Croatia 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involved in marketing of various companies from 2013 - 2018. • Currently working as sports director and EU project manager in Sitting Volleyball Club "Zagreb" since 2018. 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>For the past two years of working in the WADA AC, I have gotten invaluable experience and insights into the world of anti-doping. The group works hard, and we have some high-quality people in the AC, bringing their expertise, experience, and knowledge into the anti-doping world, but most importantly, from the athletes' point of view, and in the interest of clean sport. I feel that we have started to make good progress and I would like to continue to serve another term in the WADA AC, to see the potential we have being fulfilled.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I bring everything I've learned so far as being part of the WADA AC, and new things I'm learning through my sports management studies and work as a sports director. I'm involved in governance and various boards in my sports (on a local, national, and international level). But most important of all, I bring well intended honesty, being direct and to the point, along with a good moral compass.</p>	
What does Play True mean to you?	<p>Play true means being true to myself and the philosophy of life that I live. Sports is my life, and doing the best I can with what I've got, with passion, honesty, and love.</p>	

Last Name	CROUIN	
First Name	Victor	
Sport	Squash	
Discipline (if applicable)		
Sport Nationality	France	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	World Squash Federation (WSF)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement: Month / Year)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022 World Games Gold Medalist (2022) • 2x European Individual Champion (2023, 2024) • 2x French Individual Champion (2023, 2024) • Bronze Medalist at the World Team Championship (2023) • Gold Medalist at the European Team Championship (2018), 2x Silver Medalist (2023, 2024) 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member of the WSF/PSA Athlete Commission (Since Sept. 2023) 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor in Economics from Harvard University (22') 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full-Time Professional Squash Player since May 2022 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I'm eager to bring a fresh perspective to the WADA Athlete Council as an athlete from a newly-entrant Olympic sport. By learning from fellow council members, I'll be able to contribute effectively to discussions, fostering a culture of fairness and integrity. I've been tested regularly for the last 24 months in France and internationally, hence improving my interest and understanding of the requirements imposed by the WADA Code and its implementation by the ITA. I am therefore committed to safeguarding clean sport and want to ensure that emerging sports like mine adopt robust anti-doping measures as they grow.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>First of all, I bring first-hand athletic experience from a newly-entrant Olympic sport, allowing me to bring fresh insights into how emerging sports might adapt to stricter (& more consistent) anti-doping regulations as they enter the Olympic program. In addition, my involvement with my sport's Athlete Commission has sharpened my skills in communication, collaboration, and advocacy, especially in ensuring athletes' voices are heard in the policymaking process. Ultimately, I bring a passion for protecting the integrity of sport and a commitment to ensuring that all athletes have a fair and level playing field.</p>	
What does Play True mean to you?	<p>Play True means competing with integrity and fairness, relying on our own natural talent, training, and hard work. It's about contributing to a culture where trust and respect are paramount. By "playing true," we ensure that the achievements in sport are meaningful and inspire the same values in others.</p>	


Last Name	CUNLIFFE-STEEL	
First Name	Toby	
Sport	Rowing	
Discipline (if applicable)		
Sport Nationality	New Zealand	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	World Rowing	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement as an international-level athlete: 05 / 2016)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Actively participated in sports for 25yrs+, having competed for at least a season in: Athletics, Swimming, Gymnastics, Volleyball, Inline Hockey, Soccer, Triathlon, Basketball, Cricket, Rugby, Netball, Water polo and Flag Football. Part of New Zealand's high-performance rowing programme for over a decade, medalling at age group through to elite level, including global multi-sport events, retiring in 2023. Competed and trained in the likes of: Italy, Norway, Lithuania, Switzerland, United States, Australia, Japan, South Korea, South Africa, Zambia, and Russia. 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair of the AC to NZ's National Anti-Doping Agency. Athlete Reference Group Member in NZ's Integrity Transition. Board member for Waikato Rowing Club (NZ's most successful club). Board Member for Waikato Rowing Performance Centre (NZ's most successful regional High performance centre) Years of experience engaging in domestic & international workshops & forums on athlete rights & welfare, forming a global network. 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Master's Degree in Sport Management (First-Class Honours). Bachelor of Sport and Exercise. IOC 'Athlete Voice' Certification International Testing Agency 'Anti-Doping for IFs' Certification. Drug Free Sport NZ Anti-Doping Certifications. Community & Enterprise Leadership Foundation Graduate. 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultant working in the Technology and Sport sectors. Director of cross-sector non-profit purposed to improve the health and wellbeing of disengaged communities across NZ. Former Communications Manager, Operations Manager, then Service Delivery Manager to a specialist satellite telecommunication company. Previously worked for Sport's Commercial Firm. Former PR Manager to NZ's premier water sports event organisation. 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>To champion the rights and interests of athletes globally. I have witnessed firsthand the impact of doping on our sports community, and I am genuinely passionate about creating an environment that prioritises fairness and integrity. With my background in athlete advocacy and governance, I am eager to collaborate with the world's athletes, and fellow council and WADA</p>	

	members to strengthen anti-doping efforts and promote athlete education and welfare.
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	I offer lived experience and understanding of the intersection between sports, ethics, and governance. With qualifications and extensive experience as an athlete and in athlete advocacy, I understand the challenges athletes face in engaging in fair competition. My leadership roles within various athlete bodies have empowered me to effectively communicate and collaborate across diverse groups. My experience in both the sport and technology sectors also enables me to leverage innovative solutions to enhance anti-doping strategies and athlete education.
What does Play True mean to you?	It's recognising the choices we make today shape our legacy tomorrow. It's about more than just following the rules - it's acting in a way that upholds my values and ensures that my teammates, community, and country are proud of how I represent them. At the end of the day, I want to leave behind a reputation of integrity and fairness that stands the test of time.

Last Name	DESMOND	
First Name	Elsa	
Sport	Luge	
Discipline (if applicable)	Women's Singles & Doubles	
Sport Nationality	Ireland	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Luge Federation (FIL)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement: Month / Year)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beijing 2022 Winter Olympics - 33rd • 2023/24 EBERSPÄCHER World Cup - 26th • 2019 U23 World Championship Winterberg -10th • 5 x World Championships – Highest ranking 30th • 3 x European Championships – Highest ranking 20th 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No previous experience 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelors of Medicine, Bachelors of Surgery 2021 - Kings College London • AKC (philosophy, Religion and Ethics) 2019 - Kings College London • Certificate, Safeguarding in sport officer 2023 - IOC Medical and Sciences Commission 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2018-Present, International Luge athlete • 2019- Co-founder of the Irish Luge Federation • 2020-Present, Junior and Development Program Director, Irish Luge Federation • 2021-Present, Doctor in Emergency Medicine • 2022-Present, Ad Hoc Luge Commentator, FIL Channel 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>Since I was a child I have had a very strong sense of fairness and moral. Throughout my career as an athlete, I have kept this hope for fair sport, campaigning for opportunities and representation for small nations in a sport which is often dominated by athletes from larger luge nations. I would like to join the WADA athlete council as a platform and opportunity to engage with this drive for true sport, to play my part in ensuring fair and clean sport, for all athletes from all nations, always. I want to use my experience and qualifications to help WADA ensure future athletes can enjoy sport with equal opportunities to succeed.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>Outside of luge I am a doctor, working primarily in emergency medicine but also in anaesthetics. This has given me a strong foundation in pharmacology and pharmacokinetics. This has also given me experience working with all demographics, religions and cultures, as well as formal communication training. I believe that coming from this medical background I will be able to add an additional viewpoint to WADA athlete council discussions and decision making. I also feel that my experience in athlete development and coaching at Youth Olympics has given me understanding of sports legacy.</p>	


What does Play True mean to you?

To me Play true means being true to yourself, and your abilities without illegal enhancement. It is about integrity and respect for the sport and your fellow athletes.


Last Name	DROUARD	
First Name	Loan	
Sport	Wushu	
Discipline (if applicable)	Taolu	
Sport Nationality	France	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Wushu Federation (IWUF)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement: Month / Year)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9x French Champion • 2017: World Kungfu Champion (Shaolin Quan) • 2018: 5th at World Junior Championship (Daoshu/Gunshu) • 2019: Mediterranean Champion (Changquan/Daoshu/Gunshu) • 2019: 7th at World Championship (Daoshu) • 2020: European Champion (Changquan) • 2022: 3rd at The World Games (Daoshu) • 2023: 6th at World Championship (Gunshu) • 2024: x2 European Champion (Changquan/Gunshu) 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baccalaureate • Self learning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - English, Chinese Language - Music Production 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full-time athlete since 2020 (18 years old) 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>My interest for a position in the athlete council is driven by my passion for my sport and the everyday commitment I have during and outside training to try to optimize everything I can, to ensure good performance during competitions. Fair and clean competition is most likely THE most important thing by respect to all the competitors. Integrity, discipline, and respect for the rules and principles are fundamentals to protecting the actual spirit of sport. I believe my experience as an athlete, combined with my will to participate and see clean / fair competitions, could allow me to contribute to the Council's mission of advancing clean sport globally.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>As a full time wushu athlete, I could bring firsthand experience on the physical and mental challenges athletes face, including the pressure that can lead to doping. This enables me to provide practical feedback on anti-doping policies that could be effective or not and athlete-centered. My position within the athletic council would allow me to legitimately raise awareness amongst my peers and advocate for fair and ethical competition. I can serve as a credible voice to promote clean sport, using my experience to shape strategies that address the specific needs of diverse sports disciplines.</p>	


What does Play True mean to you?


Play true is part of the sport definition which already says a lot in that regard as this is literally what we do, sport. To me, playing true also simply means respecting everyone's emotional, mental, physical, financial and time investments, respecting and valuing our peers' life decisions / choices.

Last Name	EGOÁVIL	
First Name	Susan	
Sport	Volleyball	
Discipline (if applicable)	Indoor	
Sport Nationality	Peru	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Volleyball Federation (FIVB)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement as an international-level athlete: 06 / 2016)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Grand Prix-Australia 2016 • World Olympic Qualification Rio - Japan (2016) • XVII Pan American and Para Pan American Games - Toronto - Canada 2015 • World Cup - Japan 2015 • Sud-American championship - Colombia 2015 • NCAA first round Florida A&M University 2007-2011/ MVP 2008-2011 • MVP 2006 Peruvian National team 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I was an advisor to FAMU's Athlete Committee (my university), providing input on key decisions and initiatives that impacted athletes' welfare and development, especially for foreign athletes. I collaborated on the international manual for foreign athletes, where we included different sections to ensure that athletes have all the necessary information for their participation and experience. 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paris-Saclay University France • Ph.D. Candidate (Sept 2021-Nov 2024) • Ricardo Palma University Peru • MBA Master's in Business Administration (Jul 2013-Jul 2015) • Florida Agricultural and Mechanical FAMU University USA • Bachelor's of Arts in Literature-Minor in Physical Education (2007-2011) CUM LADE • Université Rennes 2-CIREFE France French Language (2020) 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Em Lyon Business School - France (2024-ongoing) Master thesis supervisor • Paris-Saclay University Ph.D. Candidate and professor - France (2021-2024) professor in Sports Management to University and Master students. • Pan American and Parapan American Games Lima 2019 - Peru (2017-2019) Manager in sports, volunteers, accreditation, and workforce. • Peruvian University of Applied Sciences UPC - Peru (2018-ongoing) professor and coordinator - virtual. 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council to protect clean sports and promote the rights and well-being of athletes. As someone who has worked closely with athletes and sports organizations, I understand the importance of ensuring equality, transparency, and integrity in anti-doping efforts. Athletes from smaller nations often face unique challenges and may have less access to resources or representation in global sports</p>	

	governance. I aim to bring a diverse perspective, ensure that athletes' voices, especially from smaller countries like mine, are heard.
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	My background in managing sports events has given me strong organizational and leadership skills. Studying and working in different countries has also given me a strong understanding of different cultures. My athletic career has taught me the values of teamwork, discipline, and resilience, making me a strong team player who understands the importance of collaboration. I have continued to engage with anti-doping education, including being invited as a speaker at WADA's Global Education Conference this year in France, reinforcing my commitment to clean sport and athlete education.
What does Play True mean to you?	It means integrity and respect for myself and my fellow athletes in sports. 'Play True' represents the values where success is determined by effort and talent, not by unfair advantages.


Last Name	HAMILTON	
First Name	Simi	
Sport	Cross-Country Skiing	
Discipline (if applicable)		
Sport Nationality	United States of America	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Ski and Snowboard Federation (FIS)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement as an international-level athlete: 03 / 2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competitor, U23 World Championships 2008, 2009, 2010 • Competitor, World Championships 2011, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019, 2021 • Competitor, Olympics 2010, 2014, 2018 • Coach/wax technician/guide for a visually impaired athlete, Paralympics 2022 • 4 x World Cup podiums (1st 2013, 2nd 2016 & 2017, 3rd 2017) • Ranked 9th on the world XC sprint rankings 2016/2017 season 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I do not have any prior experience serving on an international athlete committee or commission. 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor's degree in geology, Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont USA (graduating class of 2009). 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My professional career spanned from 2009, when I graduated college, until my retirement in 2021. During that time I was a member of the U.S. national team for 11 years and I competed for the United States in three Olympic Games and six World Championships. 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>First and foremost, I believe in the integrity of clean sport at all levels. For me personally, sport and competition is and always has been one of the most important things in my life. But more importantly, it has the ability to transcend the things that divide us politically, socially, and culturally. Protecting the integrity of sport, especially at the highest levels, is one of the most important things we can do to come together in celebration, understanding, and friendship in a world that is constantly becoming more complex and divisive.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>In addition to my athletic experience that I gained while competing in several Olympic Games and World Championships, I am a thoughtful, patient, critical-thinking, and open-minded person. I always take the time to consider all angles of an opinion or event before shaping my own judgements. I have extensive writing and oratory skills and experience, and I can communicate effectively with many different types of people.</p>	
What does Play True mean to you?	<p>To me, 'Play True' means that you respect the integrity of sport by training and competing clean, no matter if you are a young kid trying a sport for the very first time, or if you are an Olympic multi-gold medalist. To 'Play True' means that the successes and positive experiences you get out of doing a sport are the direct result of the hard work and commitment you put in, not from any form of cheating or cutting corners.</p>	

Last Name	HARSS	
First Name	Jennifer	
Sport	Ice Hockey	
Discipline (if applicable)		
Sport Nationality	Germany	
minating IF Athlete Commission	International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement as an international-level athlete: 04 / 2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 x Olympian (Turin 2006 and Sochi 2014) • 10 World Championships (4th place in 2017) • played in 212 games for the German National Team • won a NCAA Championship in 2010 during my college career in the US 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have been part of the WADA AC and IIHF AC for the last two years 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor (Marketing) degree • Currently pursuing Master degree in Online Marketing • Coaching license in ice hockey (A, B, and C license) • Coaching license in athletic (B and A license) • Yoga teacher degree (RYT 200 hrs) 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After I retired from playing hockey, I started a coaching career in ice hockey. I work for the German Ice hockey Federation, but am also part of the German sports company in the army. I mainly work with the German Women's Team but also the younger players like U16 and U18. 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I want to continue my commitment for the WADA AC to promote clean sport worldwide and lead by example to educate others about the importance of clean competition.</p> <p>Also support the athlete-centered approach WADA is pursuing by giving my insights/experiences. Including former/current athletes in the decision-making process helps build trust and transparency between the global athlete community and anti-doping authorities.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year long first-hand experience with the German anti-doping system • Daily close contact and collaboration with active athletes dealing with anti-doping business to gather insights and communicate their concerns/feedback to WADA • Experience in international sports • Understanding and knowledge of the anti-doping rules and procedures 	
What does Play True mean to you?	<p>Play True to me means that you are playing clean and fair. That there is an equal playing field to athletes worldwide and that the athletic performance only determines the results.</p>	


Last Name	HEGYI	
First Name	Dora	
Sport	Gymnastics	
Discipline (if applicable)	Aerobic Gymnastics	
Sport Nationality	Hungary	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Gymnastics Federation (FIG)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement as an international-level athlete: 11 / 2017)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Games silver and 2 times bronze medalist, 2017 • Vice- World Champion, 2016 • European Games Champion, 2015 • European Champion, 4 times silver and 2 times bronze medalist; 2015, 2017 • World Cup Series Winner; 2015, 2016 • National Team Member in Aerobic Gymnastics 2004- 2017 • Best Female Athlete of the Year in Hungarian Aerobic Gymnastics 2010- 2017 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FIG Aerobic Gymnastics Athletes' Representative 2017- 2020, 2021- 2024 • FIG Athletes' Commission Vice – President • FIG Safeguarding Officer 2021, 2022, 2024 • WADA Athlete Council Member 2022- • WADA Education Committee Member 2023- 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Health Promotion and Sport Sciences ,Eötvös Lóránd University, Budapest, 2009 - 2012 • National Coaches Course in Aerobic Gymnastics, 2013, Budapest • International Aerobic Gymnastics Judges Course, 2017, Lausanne • ITA International Clean Sport Educator, 2024, Lausanne 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After my retirement, my whole life is filled with work related to sports. I founded my own company, which deals with handmade leotards and we deliver to many parts of the world. I started working with the FIG; the International Testing Agency, as a Clean Sport Ambassador and Educator; then I became a member of the WADA Athlete Council and Education Committee. In addition, I hold international aerobic gymnastics training camps and workshops, coach and work with several national teams every year as a choreographer since 2017. 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>As an outgoing member of Athlete Council, I would like to continue the work I started two years ago, mainly in the area of anti-doping education and raising awareness. This is a very valuable organization for athletes and I want to make even more use of my years spent in athletes' representation to create an even cleaner, fairer and safer environment for athletes all over the world.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA athlete Council?	<p>As a Clean Sport Educator I see many things in different sports all over the world. These personal experiences and feedback are very important so that we can move forward in anti-doping education and see more clearly the main problems that athletes encounter. I think that I am very good at working together in a team and I work with dedication in sports, sparing no time and energy.</p>	

What does Play True mean to you?

To me, Play True means first and foremost respect. We respect the rules, the people who work around us and we respect the purity of the sport by paying as much attention as possible to the pitfalls as athletes.


Last Name	HJELLEGJERDE	
First Name	Andrea	
Sport	Golf	
Discipline (if applicable)		
Sport Nationality	Norway	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSD)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement: Month / Year)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> World deaf golf Championship - 2014 silver, 2016 bronze, 2018 silver, 2022 shared bronze European deaf golf Championship - 2023 bronze Deaflympics - 2017 bronze, 2022 4th Unofficial European deaf golf championship - 2015 gold 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ICSD (International Committee of Sports for the Deaf) current Athlete Commission member 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early childhood teacher education Supervision education for early childhood teachers Physical development and activity in ECEC institutions 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No professional career as athlete, just golf amateur status My profession is educational teacher leader in early childhood 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	I am highly motivated to contribute to the WADA Athletes Council because clean sport is a core value for me, and I believe it is essential to have deaf athlete role models actively engaged in the global sports community.	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>Through my participation in doping education programs, including those provided by my national anti-doping organization, I have found that some of these materials are not fully accessible to deaf athletes.</p> <p>By sharing my experience and perspectives, I aim to help ensure that all athletes, regardless of their hearing ability, have equal access to anti-doping education and the resources needed to compete fairly and confidently.</p>	
What does Play True mean to you?	Play true is about valuing the spirit of fair competition and personal authenticity over winning at any cost. It emphasizes integrity, fair play and being genuine.	

Last Name	JOUISSE
First Name	Caroline
Sport	Swimming
Discipline (if applicable)	Open Water
Sport Nationality	France
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	World Aquatics




Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement: Month / Year)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8th at the Olympics Paris 2024 (10km) • 7th at the World Championship Doha 2024(10km) • 3rd World ranking 2024 (10km) • 1st at the European Championships Rome 2022 (25km)
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European Aquatics: Athlete Committee – Gender Equality Committee • World Aquatics: Member of the Supervisory Council of the Aquatics Integrity Unit (AQIU) Committee
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master in Business Administration (MBA) in America • Fluent in French, English and Italian
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part time job (next to my swimming career) in a company taking care of waste, water and energy. The company's name is VEOLIA.
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>Since being involved in the AQIU for almost two years, and despite our efforts, we continue to see doping cases among athletes. By being engaged in both AQIU and WADA, I can help strengthen the connection between athletes and WADA. Promoting "Play True" and a doping-free environment is a personal priority for me.</p>
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>Through my involvement with AQIU, I have gained valuable insights into doping procedures. Being part of a committee like this has been a unique advantage as an athlete. With the experience I've developed, I believe I can be a strong asset to the WADA Athlete Council.</p>
What does Play True mean to you?	<p>This is essential to me. Integrity, honesty, and fair play are core values I uphold in sports.</p>


Last Name	LOOI
First Name	Hong
Sport	Taekwon-Do
Discipline (if applicable)	Martial Art
Sport Nationality	Ireland
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Taekwon-Do Federation (ITF)



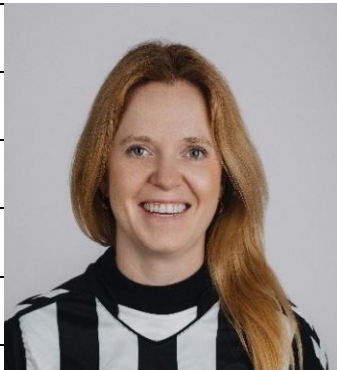
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement as an international-level athlete: 2019)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019, 2012, 2009 European Champion • 2017, 2015, 2013 World Champion • 2x Silver, 3x Bronze in European Champs • 1x Silver 6x Bronze in World Champs • 1x Silver 2x Bronze in World Cup • 1x Silver 1x Bronze in European Cup
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently, I serve as the Chairperson of the Athlete Committee for the ITF, a position I have held for the past year, after five years of dedicated service on the committee. Key accomplishments include: Organising the first ITF Sparring Seminar via Zoom in February 2021, which featured six informative sessions. • Conducting the Athlete Report Surveys in September 2021, creating a vital platform for athletes to voice their concerns regarding competition rules. This feedback directly influenced changes noted during the recent 2023 World Championship in Tampere, Finland.
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University of Auckland, New Zealand (1999-2002) Bachelor of Science, major in Biomedical Science (Nutrition and Metabolism) • Future Fit Training Ltd. – England (2005) Future Fit Personal Training Course • Sport Ireland (Feb 2018) Building Healthy Work Relationships through Self - Awareness • Sport Ireland (May 2018) The Practical Trainer: Building The Basic Skills & Knowledge to Run an Effective Workshop • Sport Ireland 37th Coach Developer Course (ITF Taekwon-Do Coach Developer since Sep
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14+ years International & Domestic Sales Management experience with annual turnover target of €28 million, including volume & marginal income of product groups and development of a CRM system in major markets UK, France, Germany, Netherlands, China and USA. • 10+ years ITF Taekwon-Do martial instructor, producing students 1 World Champion and 2 European Champions.
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I am eager to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council because I am deeply passionate about advocating for athletes' interests and ensuring their voices are represented within global sports organisations. With 20 years of experience in high-level competition and my role as Chairperson of the ITF Taekwon-Do Federation, I understand the challenges athletes face and am committed to promoting clean sport. I am excited about the opportunity to contribute to WADA's mission and leverage my extensive background in sports and management to support athletes effectively. Together, we can foster an environment that prioritises integrity and fairness in TKD.</p>

What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA athlete Council?	With 20 years of experience competing at elite levels in the European and World Championships, I proudly regard my victory at the age of 40 as a significant achievement that reflects the dedication and sacrifices I've made throughout my career. As the Chairperson of the ITF Taekwon-Do Federation, I am committed to advocating for both international and local TKD athletes, ensuring their perspectives and concerns are represented within global sports organizations. Leveraging my 14 years of expertise in International and Domestic Sales Management, I possess the strategic capabilities needed to effectively advance these initiatives within a timely framework.
What does Play True mean to you?	"Play True" represents a commitment to integrity, respect, and fairness in sports, highlighting that true athleticism is defined by ethical standards and the journey of dedication rather than just winning medals. As a member of the World Anti-Doping Agency Athlete Council, I strive to uphold these values and promote a sporting environment that honors the dignity of sport and the sacrifices made by athletes.

Last Name	MOLMENTI		
First Name	Daniele		
Sport	Canoe Kayak		
Discipline (if applicable)	Slalom		
Sport Nationality	Italy		
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Canoe Federation (ICF)		
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement as an international-level athlete: 06 / 2016)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Olympic Champion in London 2012 • World Champion 2010 and 2013 • World Cup champ 2010 • European Champion 2005, 2007, 2009, 2011 • Member of the Italian national team from 1999 		
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2021-2024: Advisor for ICF Slalom Committee • 2016-2020: Athlete representing at the Italian National Olympic Committee Council 		
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IV European level Sport Coaching • "Executive Program in Sports Management" at SDA BOCCONI - Y2016 • III level River Sport Coaching (Italian III lev. FICK) • III level River Sport Instructor (Maestro FICK) • High school graduate with a focus on science • Business Management Graduate (Sport, Feb 2025) 		
Professional Career	<p>I am an Olympic slalom canoeist and I currently serve as a coach and manager at the Carabinieri Sports Center. I have expertise in the operational dynamics and opportunities of Military Sports Groups. As the coaches' representative on the National Council of the Italian National Olympic Committee (CONI), I am familiar with the administrative and managerial aspects of Italian sports. Since 2021, I have been an advisor to the International Canoe Federation (ICF), with an understanding of its administrative and operational mechanisms.</p>		
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I would like to be elected due to my personal interest in safeguarding athletes' well-being and improving anti-doping processes, which I believe can have better procedures and guarantees.</p>		
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>Since 1999, I have been an athlete on the Italian national team and have experienced anti-doping procedures and system updates firsthand. I understand the fears and challenges athletes face, and with my background, I believe I can contribute to developing models and protocols that are increasingly aligned with the vision and real needs of the global anti-doping system.</p>		
What does Play True mean to you?	<p>Playing with integrity is the core principle that underpins all sports and brings us together through our shared passion for it. It is the ethical foundation of competition, and without it, the very basis for fair and healthy sportsmanship falls apart.</p>		


Last Name	ODUBER	
First Name	Randolph	
Sport	Baseball/Softball	
Discipline (if applicable)	Men's Baseball	
Sport Nationality	Netherlands	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement as an international-level athlete: 01 / 2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team Kingdom of the Netherlands <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - World Baseball Classic in 2013, 2017 - WBSC Premier12 in 2015 - European Championships in 2014, 2016, 2019 - Haarlem Baseball Week in 2016 - French Int'l Baseball Tournament in 2014, 2016 - Tokyo Olympic Qualifier in 2021 • American Asso. of Independent Professional Baseball <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lincoln Saltdogs in 2017, 2018, 2019 - Fargo Moorhead Redhawks in 2018 • Washington Nationals (2010 MLB Draft) • Curaçao Neptunes (2016, Netherlands) • Fortitudo (2020, Italy) • Hoofddorp Pioneers (2021, Netherlands) 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019 – Present: WBSC Athlete Commission Member • 2021 – Present: IOC Prevention of Manipulation of Competition “Believe in Sport” Ambassador • 2022 – Present: ITA Education Ambassador • 2022 – Present: WBSC Executive Board Member 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liberal Arts, Western Oklahoma State College • Safeguarding Officer in Sport, IOC Certificate 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assistant Coach, Kingdom of the Netherlands (KNBSB) • U-18 / U-23 / Premier12 Baseball Team • Founding Partner & Co-Owner, Dream Glove Company • Founder & Managing Director, RFJ Enterprises • Founder & President, Thrive Foundation Aruba 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>During my entire career as an athlete, I believed in playing baseball the right way and worked hard as to not have any regrets. I never wanted to take any substance that could harm my career or health, and I feel inspired to share my values with others. Everyone wants to achieve their goal, but we need to trust the process and work hard towards embodying who we want to become. I would like to have a voice for our athletes, focusing on how we can further enhance the education with an emphasis on a positive impact.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>As a former elite athlete and now a coach, I have a unique dual perspective that allows me to understand both the pressures faced by athletes and the responsibilities of coaches to foster ethical behavior. My years of competing at the highest level gave me first-hand experience in navigating anti-doping</p>	

	regulations, and my current role as a coach has allowed me to mentor young athletes on the importance of integrity in sport. As an ITA Education Ambassador, I have delivered many anti-doping workshops. I am eager to contribute to the WADA Athlete Council by bringing this holistic perspective, advocating for both athlete rights and the importance of clean sport.
What does Play True mean to you?	I strongly believe in playing safe and clean. Being truthful to myself, my team and the next generations who are looking up to me.


Last Name	PLECHAN	
First Name	Agata	
Sport	Floorball	
Discipline (if applicable)		
Sport Nationality	Poland	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Floorball Federation (IFF)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement as an international-level athlete: 05 / 2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 times participant in the World Floorball Championships (WFC) • 2 times achieved 5th place at WFC • Participant in 3vs3 WFC, B division winner • B division winner of the WFC • Multiple Danish Champion and silver medalist • Multiple Danish Cup Winner and silver medalist • Voted the best female floorball player in 2018 • 10 years in a role of a captain of the Polish Floorball National Team 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athletes Commission member 2017 - 2020 • Athletes Commission Chair 2020 - until today 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development and International Relations - Aalborg University - Master Degree • Enrolled to the Women Leadership Course of the IWGA 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Systems and Support Manager for area of Denmark and the Netherlands: working for citizenM ensuring technology, solutions are processes are optimized throughout the region area. • More information available on my LinkedIn profile 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I want to be elected to the WADA Athletes Council to ensure that athletes' voices are heard and considered in important decisions affecting our sports. I am passionate about promoting clean sport and believe that by working together, we can create a safer and more equitable environment for all athletes. My experience as a competitive athlete and my roles in the International Floorball Federation (IFF) have equipped me with the insights and skills to advocate effectively for my peers. I am committed to fostering collaboration between athletes and governing bodies to strengthen our collective mission for integrity in sport.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>As Chair of the IFF Athletes' Commission and a member of the IFF Central Board, I have valuable leadership experience. My work as an anti-doping ambassador has given me insights into the challenges athletes face regarding doping. With my degree in Development and International Relations, I understand the governance and policy, which helps me advocate for athletes effectively. Plus, my experience as a competitive athlete allows me to connect with others and build trust within the athlete community. Recently, in my roles as Chair of the IFF ATC, I launched a mentorship program that connects experienced athletes with young future stars.</p>	

What does Play True mean to you?

Play True means competing with integrity and respect for the rules of the sport. It fosters a culture of trust and respect within the sports community, ensuring that the focus remains on the love of the game and the journey of each athlete.

Last Name	RYZHYKOVA	
First Name	Anna	
Sport	Athletics	
Discipline (if applicable)	400m hurdles	
Sport Nationality	Ukraine	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	World Athletics	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement: Month / Year)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Olympic Games 2012 - 3 place (relay 4x400m) • Olympic Games 2020 - 5 place (400m hurdles) • Olympic Games 2024 - semifinal (400m hurdles) • World Championship 2011 - semifinal, 2013 - 5th place, 2015 - semifinal, 2019 - 7th place, 2022 - 8th place • European Championship 2012 - 2 place, 2014 - 2place, 2018 - 2 place, 2022 - 3 place, 2024 - semifinal 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Athletics Athletes' Commission - member since 2022 until present • World Athletics Development Commission - member since 2023 until present • National athletics federation AC - member of AC 2017-2022 • National athletics federation AC - head of AC 2022 until present • National Anti-Doping agency AC - member of AC 2023 until present • National Olympic Community AC - member of AC 2022 until present 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dnipropetrovsk State Agrarian University as a veterinarian doctor • Demianchuk International University of Economics and Humanities as coach, teacher of physical culture and sports 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional athlete since 2009 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>Since the beginning of my sporting career, I have chosen the path of a clean athlete and am very proud of that. All this time I have promoted integrity and fairness in sports, and I want to continue to protect athletes' rights and ensure a clean and safe playing field for everyone. I understand the importance of having athletes' voices heard in matters relating to anti-doping policies. We are fighting for clean sport, but we must ensure athletes feel safe and have faith in the doping control processes. Promoting education around anti-doping measures and the importance of clean competition among athletes is something I feel very strongly about.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>Not only have I competed at the highest level for many years, but through positions on various Commissions and athlete groups have developed leadership skills which I believe will help me to contribute effectively to the WADA Athlete Council. I am highly interested in developing anti-doping education and activities for children and young adults at the start of their careers, to ensure a doping-free future for them.</p>	
What does Play True mean to you?	<p>It means respecting rules and my opponents, competing honestly and fairly. Playing true is an important part of me and my values, passing these on to the next generation is my responsibility.</p>	


Last Name	SABLJAK	
First Name	Ella	
Sport	Wheelchair Basketball / Wheelchair Rugby	
Discipline (if applicable)		
Sport Nationality	Australia	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Wheelchair Basketball Federation (IWBF)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement as an international-level athlete: 09 / 2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024 - Paralympic Games, Paris, Wheelchair Rugby, Bronze Medal • 2023 - World Cup, Paris, Wheelchair Rugby, Gold Medal • 2022 - World Championships, Denmark, Wheelchair Rugby, Gold Medal • 2022 - Commonwealth Games, Birmingham, 3x3 Wheelchair Basketball, Silver Medal • 2021 - Paralympic Games, Tokyo, Wheelchair Basketball, 9th Place • 2018 - World Championships, Hamburg, Wheelchair Basketball, 9th Place 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WADA Athlete Council, voted in in 2022 • Sport Integrity Australia Athlete Advisory Group • Paralympics Australia Athlete Commission • International Wheelchair Basketball Federation Athlete Commission 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Education • Post Graduate in Education, Positive Education and Wellbeing 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022- current: Paralympics Australia Education Manager • 2018-2022: Primary School Teacher 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I have strong values of fairness and integrity; I have competed my career with clean athletes for clean athletes. I believe my experience across two Paralympic sports will bring a unique perspective to the table, as a role model especially for Para-athletes. I use my platform to showcase ethical behaviour in sports, showing that success is possible done the right way. It is a team effort to fight against doping, ensuring fair competition and maintain the health, safety and wellbeing of all athletes.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I have experience on the WADA Athlete council as well as other various athlete commissions and councils which gives me an understanding of how the system works. Being a Paralympic athlete, I am always advocating for the voice of the athlete and having a person with lived experience be that voice I can ensure our voice is heard. I was a primary school teacher and a team athlete so I bring a breadth of experience in collaboration, leadership and empathy to the table.</p>	
What does Play True mean to you?	<p>It is about fairness, competing on a level playing ground and being true to yourself to be the best version you can be.</p>	

Last Name	SENÁNSZKY	
First Name	Petra	
Sport	Underwater Sports	
Discipline (if applicable)	Finswimming	
Sport Nationality	Hungary	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	World Underwater Federation (CMAS)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement: Month / Year)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participations: Olympic Games (2024), World Games (2013, 2017, 2022), World Aquatics Championships (2022, 2023, 2024), CMAS World Championships (2011, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2018, 2021, 2022), LEN European Championships (2021, 2022, 2024), CMAS European Championships, ILSE European Championships • Results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finswimming (Since 2003) 4x World Games winner, 17x World Champion, 6x European Champion, 4x World Record holder (currently) Swimming (Since 2021) Olympian (Paris 2024), 2x European Champion, World Championships 8th place, 4x National Record holder Lifesaving (Since 2021) World Games winner, silver medalist European Champion • Special award: World Games 2022 Athlete of the day (first ever athlete to win gold medals in 2 different sports in the WG history) 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hungarian Swimming Federation's Athletes Committee (2024-) • Member of the Green Task Force in Debrecen - Future of Debrecen movement (2019-) 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University of Debrecen, Hungary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor of Science in Biology (2012-2016) • Postgraduate Specialist training: English-Hungarian Special Translator in Natural Sciences (2017-2019) • Bachelor of Science in Sports and Recreation Management (2020-) • Webler Training Studio, Debrecen, Hungary Basic Web Designer Course: HTML 5, CSS 3, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator (2019-2020) 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focusing on my studies alongside my sport career • Frequently assisted my sports club in organizing various events 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I would like to be elected to the Council because I strongly believe in the importance of clean sport. As an athlete who has achieved outstanding results in 3 different sports, including transitioning from a non-Olympic sport (finswimming) to an Olympic one (swimming), I understand the challenges athletes face in maintaining integrity while pursuing excellence.</p> <p>I want to inspire others by showing that great things can be achieved cleanly, and I want to be a voice for athletes for fairness in sport.</p>	

What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I bring a unique combination of experiences from competing at the highest levels in three sports including finswimming, swimming and lifesaving. My journey to qualify for the 2024 Paris Olympics after 22 years in a different sport showcases my resilience, adaptability and commitment to clean sport. My understanding of diverse challenges athletes face and my ability to succeed across multiple disciplines will help me provide valuable insights and advocate for a level playing field.</p>
What does Play True mean to you?	<p>To me, 'Play True' means competing with integrity, respecting the rules and showing that success is possible through hard work and dedication without shortcuts. It is about inspiring others to do the same.</p>


Last Name	TCHATCHET II	
First Name	Cyrille	
Sport	Weightlifting	
Discipline (if applicable)		
Sport Nationality	United Kingdom	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Weightlifting Federation (IWF)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement: Month / Year)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Olympic Games, Tokyo 2020, Refugee Olympic Team • World weightlifting championships 2022, 2023 • Europeans weightlifting championships 2022, 2023, 2024 • Commonwealth championships 2023 • African weightlifting championships 2013 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I am a member of the IWF Athletes' Commission. I am committed to representing the voices and concerns of athletes within the sport of weightlifting. I advocate for policies that prioritize athlete welfare, safety, and mental well-being, while promoting fairness and transparency in governance. I work to enhance competition conditions, advance anti-doping measures, and ensure that athletes have equal opportunities to thrive both on and off the platform. Through open dialogue with IWF leadership, I aim to contribute to a more inclusive, supportive, and fair environment for all. 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSc Nursing (Mental health) - Middlesex University, London • PGdip Cognitive Behavioral Therapy - University of Exeter - Ongoing 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I am a registered mental health nurse in the UK with extensive experience working as a senior mental health practitioner within the National Health Service. In my current role, I focus on providing high-quality care and support to individuals dealing with a range of mental health challenges. To enhance my skills and deepen my expertise, I am currently pursuing a Postgraduate Diploma in Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) at the University of Exeter. This academic endeavor allows me to integrate advanced therapeutic techniques into my practice, furthering my commitment to delivering evidence-based care. 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I am seeking election to the WADA Athlete Council to protect the integrity of sport and promote athletes' health. With over 15 years in weightlifting, I understand the pressures athletes face and the need for a level playing field. Weightlifting has been impacted by doping, and I have seen firsthand the efforts of organizations like the IWF, WADA, and the IOC to protect the sport's reputation. My goal is to ensure that anti-doping policies are fair, transparent, and supportive of athletes' well-being. I aim to strengthen education, communication, and collaboration between athletes and anti-doping authorities.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you	<p>If elected to the WADA Athlete Council, I would leverage my understanding of anti-doping policies and personal experience as an athlete to advocate for fairness and integrity in sport. With my background in elite sports and role as</p>	

bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	a registered mental health professional, I can effectively voice concerns while promoting transparency and athlete welfare. My experience at national and international levels has given me insight into the importance of clean sport for the mental well-being of all athletes.
What does Play True mean to you?	For me, “Play true” embodies integrity, fairness, and respect in sports, emphasizing the importance of competing honestly and pursuing excellence without resorting to cheating or unethical practices. It fosters a culture of accountability and mutual respect among athletes, encouraging them to take pride in their achievements as a result of hard work.

Last Name	VATHJE (Maier)	
First Name	Elisabeth	
Sport	Skeleton	
Discipline (if applicable)		
Sport Nationality	Canada	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Bobsleigh Skeleton Federation (IBSF)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement as an international-level athlete: 12 / 2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2018 Olympic Games place 9th • 2015 World Championships 3rd • 2016 World Championships 6th • 2017 World Championships 6th • Completed a comeback to World Cup & World Championships competition following the birth of my son 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athlete's co-chairperson on the International Bobsleigh & Skeleton Federation (IBSF), sitting on the executive committee • Member of the IOC athletes' rights and responsibilities declaration steering committee 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEMOS (Executive Masters In Sport Organisation Management) (2023-2024) • International Testing Agency Clean Sport Educator Program (2024) • Johan Cruyff Institute (Masters in Sport Management Specialization in Sponsorship and Marketing) (2023-2025) 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ITA clean sport educator (2024 - Present) • IBSF colour commentator (2016-2022) • Elite Architectural Lighting (Owner & Operator 2022) • Freelance skeleton coach (2017-Present) 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>At my heart I am an athlete advocate, it is my desire and I believe in part it is my purpose to ensure that the athletes' voice is heard throughout all levels of sport. This passion is demonstrated through my work within the IBSF, my role within the IOC athletes' rights and responsibilities declaration committee, and as an International Testing Agency (ITA) clean sport athlete educator. My interest in running for the WADA athlete council comes from my continued desire to advocate for athletes, and the understanding that anti-doping can be a sensitive, and draining topic for athletes.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>Through my education and continued work with the ITA, I have received in depth education surrounding anti-doping as well as the best way to teach and communicate clean sport practices, the education has allowed me to understand the most relevant and recent topics which face athletes, and athlete support staff in the clean sport realm. Additionally, it has become apparent the mental tolls in which anti-doping practices can hold on athletes, and it is my desire that through representation on the WADA athlete council, these concerns are heard, recognised and when applicable acted upon.</p>	

What does Play True mean to you?

Having competed as a professional athlete for 13 years and completed more anti-doping tests than I can count, I fully understand the importance of educating athletes and their entourage on the importance of clean sport. I believe it is crucial that athletes understand why the rules are in place first and foremost - and then how to abide by them. If athletes are educated, this will allow them to feel empowered.

Last Name	WALFORD	
First Name	Kimberly	
Sport	Powerlifting	
Discipline (if applicable)		
Sport Nationality	U.S. Virgin Islands	
Nominating IF Athlete Commission	International Powerlifting Federation (IPF)	
Sports Career	<p>Still competing as an international level athlete?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No (Date of retirement: Month / Year)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Powerlifting Federation (IPF) Hall of Fame - Athlete recipient (2024) • 2023 North American Powerlifting Federation "Fair Play" Award Recipient • 7x IPF Open World Classic Powerlifting Champion (2-63kg, 5-72kg) 2013-2017, 2019 • 3x IPF Masters World Classic Powerlifting Champion (Masters 1 -76kg) 2022-2024 • 2x IPF Open World Championship Classic Best Female Lifter (2013-2014) • 3x IPF Masters World Championship Best Female Lifter M1 (2023-2024) • 14x IPF Affiliated National Powerlifting Champion, 3x M1 National Powerlifting Champion • IPF Ranked #1 Open Classic Best Lifter 2014, 2017 	
Athlete Committee Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Powerlifting Federation Entourage Committee Chair (June 2026 - Present) • IPF Affiliated National Federation Athlete Representative (2014-2017) 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master of Science (M.S.), Public Safety Capella University. • Master of Science (M.S.), Criminology Indiana University. • Bachelor of Science (B.S.), Exercise Sports & Science University of Florida. 	
Professional Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U.S. Department of Justice - Special Agent (2004-Present) • U.S. Army National Guard (Field Medic), U.S. Air Force (Space & Missile Officer) (1996-2003) • IPF Assistant Secretary-General, Executive Committee Member, Entourage Committee Chair (June 2026-Present) • U.S. Virgin Islands Powerlifting Federation Secretary-General (January 2019 - Present) • USVI Powerlifting Federation Head Coach (2019-Present) & IPF Cat I Referee 	
Why do you want to be elected to the WADA Athlete Council?	<p>I believe that every athlete deserves a voice in decisions that impact their careers and the integrity of competition. I want to contribute to the integrity and development of sports by working with fellow athletes on athlete related anti-doping matters and concerns. Through this platform, I hope to advocate for fair policies and support initiatives that promote clean sport.</p>	
What skills, expertise, and knowledge would you	<p>I believe my law enforcement, military, powerlifting athlete-coaching-referee expertise will bring a diverse skill set that can assist the WADA Athlete Council. These experiences provide a strong foundation in discipline, accountability,</p>	

bring to the WADA Athlete Council?	and decision-making. Additionally, they enhance communication and conflict resolution skills crucial for fostering cooperation among athletes. Furthermore, I believe the strategic thinking and leaderships abilities I have gained from these fields can support the council in developing policies related to athlete anti-doping issues and concerns.
What does Play True mean to you?	To me, "Play True" means to always compete with integrity in your heart, respect for the sport you compete in and represent, and for the people who you compete with and support your sport. It is our commitment to "play true" that guides us all to always work towards and for fairness and mutual respect in all sports.