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INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY SPORTS FEDERATION**

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*By e-mail only*

**FISU recognition to World Underwater Federation**

Dear Madam President,  
Dear Anna,

As you are aware, over the past year, FISU has undertaken a detailed restructuring of its sports programme and has recently approved the proposal which it will implement over the coming years. This proposal is aligned with FISU's strategy, as well as with the overarching view it has for the University Sports Movement.

In a recent past, the sport programme had grown both in size and diversity, including sports mostly associated to the interests of specific Organising Committees and often not fully addressing the subsequent and fundamental follow-up after these mentioned OCs completed their event. At the same time, the programme also included sports that had fallen in neglect and that were not hosted in quite some time.

Moving forward, FISU has selected to continue organising the more representative sports and has, at the same time, introduced two new concepts. The first is the creation of *sport clusters*, which group a number of previous individual competitions in one single event. The other concept is the attribution of *recognition* to sports that FISU sees as being of interest to the University Sports Movement. Events organised in these sports will be endorsed by FISU and may be included in the programme of the FISU Universiade as an optional sport. Also, in time, the sport may be included in the World University Championships or Leagues programmes.

With this in mind and addressing your previous letter and associated dossier, we are happy to inform you that FISU has agreed to provide the **World Underwater Federation** with the seal of **FISU recognised sport**.

We thank you for your patience over the abovementioned revision and hope you are excited with the prospect now presented. The following steps will be the preparation and signature of a joint memorandum of understanding that will outline the collaboration between our two organisations, as well as the development opportunities and other associated prospects.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any inquiries.

Yours sincerely,

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FISU President

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