MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL FINA MEMBER FEDERATIONS
FROM: FINA Office, Lausanne
DATE: 4th July 2018
RE: FINA Open Water Swimming Officials List No.13
Period: 1st January 2019 – 31st December 2022

Dear Friends,

In accordance with the FINA procedure, a new FINA Open Water Swimming Officials List No.13 will be established. This list will cover the period starting from 1st January 2019 to 31st December 2022.

Therefore, we have the pleasure to forward to you the following documents related with the creation of this new list:

- Regulations for the Certification by FINA of International Open Water Swimming Officials. Please note the new additions to the regulations highlighted in yellow referring to FINA OWS Officials Schools.
- Application Form for FINA Open Water Swimming Officials List No.13

In accordance with the regulations, each FINA Member Federation is entitled to nominate up to four (4) International Open Water Swimming Officials. Present and Former FINA TOWSC Members are not included in this number and are therefore certified in addition to the maximum quota allowed per Federation.

We would also like to highlight FINA Rule BL 6: “The maximum age of Technical Officials (Judges, Starters and Referees) when officiating at FINA Championships or FINA Competitions, except Masters and Water Polo, shall be sixty five (65) years during the year of competition. […] Technical Officials on the FINA Lists of International Referees, Starters or Judges above that age shall be entitled to officiate until the end of their appointment.” Accordingly, only applicants born 1953 or later can be accepted.
Technical Officials Nomination:
In order to nominate their Technical Officials for the FINA Open Water Swimming Officials List N 13, each National Federation will have to proceed as follows:

1. All applications must be filled out on the form attached, to be returned to the FINA Office in Lausanne (SUI) no later than 30th July 2018.
2. Once the forms have been sent, each Technical Official must be nominated by the National Federation through the FINA GMS at https://data.fina.org using the NF login details no later than 30th July 2018. You can nominate your Technical Officials directly at: https://data.fina.org/nomination/0e46d05c-fbc1-4e6e-953e-d7c72172bd6e/nominations

IMPORTANT: Please make sure you register each Technical Official with their personal email address and contact details.

Please be noted that both actions are mandatory. FINA will consider ONLY Technical Officials whose forms have been received and registrations have been done in the FINA GMS.

Should you need further assistance with the FINA GMS, please contact aquaticsdb@fina.org

The FINA TOWSC will consider these applications for final approval by the FINA Bureau.

We look forward to receiving the completed Application Forms including a copy of the applicants’ passport no later than 30th July 2018.

We remain at your disposal for any further assistance you may need.

Yours sincerely,

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Cc: FINA TOWSC Committee