



**To the National Wrestling Federations' Presidents  
To all the Bureau Members**

**Subject: United World Wrestling Ranking Series**

Dear Mr. President,

United World Wrestling launched a Ranking Series in 2018 to test the viability and the reaction of the wrestling community/audience. The results have been outstanding and provide justification that there is valid reason to continue the Series.

I would like to thank you for your participation during the 2018 season and the support you have shown to build the Series. I foresee this Ranking Series as an important milestone in the history of UWW and is an indicator that our sport continues to evolve.

I would reiterate from the principal our mission has been to develop a fair system that determines the best wrestlers in the world at a particular weight class, as well as to provide incentive for the wrestlers that participate on a consistent basis.

This year is still ongoing, but it is important to look ahead and plan to make any necessary improvements for 2019.

For 2019 we will continue with the 2018 Ranking Series organizers that sufficiently delivered on the requirements. However, we will be searching for new host due to fact various organizers could not fulfil the standard associated with this high-level competition. By means of this circular we officially open the candidacy process for new organizers of each style.

We ask for all National Federations interested in hosting a Ranking Series event to submit your candidature file before the deadline. The 2018 Ranking Series organizers who want to be also part of the 2019 Ranking Series also have to submit their candidacies.

It is integral for the success of the series that each event organizer takes pride in the organization and delivers a world-class calibre competition. Each host must provide infrastructure for the all areas of the competition to be successful. Communication and Technology are important areas that must be prioritized in order to provide not only a good experience on-site but to our fans around the world.

To achieve these objectives, we define the requirements to the organizers.

You will find below the main tasks of the Requirements:

- Athena and Arena competition software are obligatory
  - o Name of the athletes correct as it is linked with their passport copies
  - o Be able to generate the ranking automatically



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- Cover the Room and Board for UWW staff onsite
  - o Follow-up and help the organizer onsite
  - o Promotion of the event
  - o Video team for the challenges and the management of the competition
- All audio-visual rights (including television broadcast & digital streaming rights owned by UWW)
- 50% share of the Sponsorship rights
- Merchandising rights owned by UWW
- Usage of official Visual ID and Branding provided by United World Wrestling is obligatory

You will find attached the Requirements for the Organization of a Ranking Series.

We encourage therefore all the interested National Wrestling Federations to bid for the organization of one Ranking Series by filling in the document attached and send it back before the 15th of September 2018.

Please send your document to: [jeandaniel@unitedworldwrestling.org](mailto:jeandaniel@unitedworldwrestling.org).

As mentioned in our previous circular, the success of these Ranking Series will come from the participation of our National Wrestling Federations to these events but also the willingness to host such event.

Sincerely Yours,



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United World Wrestling President  
IOC EC Member

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