

## TO ALL THE NATIONAL FEDERATIONS TO THE BUREAU MEMBERS

Subject: New World Cup Format

Dear Mr. President,

Since several years, United World Wrestling faced difficulties to find hosts for the organization of the Senior World Cups despite the excitement that we can feel around team events at every edition.

The Technical Commission was in charge to propose a new format and periodicity in order to increase the interest of the organizers, fans and broadcasters.

We have therefore the pleasure to inform you that the Executive Committee approved the proposal of the Technical Commission.

The Senior World Cups will be maintained at the end of the year (November, beginning of December), in order to preserve the season of each athlete for their individual competitions (Ranking Series, Continental and World Championships).

These Senior World Cups (one per style) will be only organized in the non-Olympic years (2021-2022-2023\*) and will take 2 days (Friday - Saturday).

The five best ranked teams of the previous Senior World Championships will be qualified for this event. If the organizer is not ranked in the first five, we will only select the four best teams.

In addition to these 5 qualified countries, an ALL-STAR team will be selected, based on the best ranked athletes of the previous Senior World Championships coming from non-qualified countries. The idea behind that is to allow some successful athletes to compete in a team event but also attract their home country to follow this competition.

By reducing the number of teams from 8 to 6, we will save cost for the organizer and will be able to organize the event on one mat. It will be therefore possible to organize it in an original venue where the entertainment, show, will be a priority for the host.

Next year, we will work on the specific regulations of this new format (Schedule - Draw - Delegation included in the All-Star team...) but we already wanted to inform you about such important decision.

We truly encourage all the interested National Wrestling Federations and cities to fill in the BID attached and send it back to us. The United World Wrestling Sport Department is at your disposal if you have any question regarding the organization of a World Cup.

\* As this decision is confirmed, no World Cup will be organized in 2020

Sincerely Yours,

Nenad Lalovic

President United World Wrestling

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