

General Assembly 15 November 2020

Competition and Event Proposals

A. Event Calendar

1. To move the Men's Senior Field Championship from 2022 to 2023.
2. To move the Men's Indoor Championship from 2023 to 2024.
3. To move the Women's U19 Championship from 2023 to 2024 so the Men's U19 and Women's U19 are held in the same year. It is noted that it is NOT a recommendation that these two events are held concurrently at the same venue.
4. To agree the remaining changes to the Event Calendar in its entirety including as follows:
 - a. To revert to the regular cycle for the Men's Senior Field Championships and the following event to be in 2026
 - b. To revert to the regular cycle for the Men's Indoor Championship with the following event to be in 2027.
 - c. That a Sixes World Championship (combined event for both men and women be held on a four yearly cycle commencing in 2027).
5. To agree that Continental Qualifying Events must be completed at the latest 12 months prior to the relevant World Championship. Note – Qualification can take place up to 24 months prior.
6. To agree that for Field Championships when only one World Championship is staged in a calendar year events should take place within the June to August window.
7. To agree that for Field Championships when more than one World Championship Event is staged within a calendar year the window may be extended to between April and September.
8. To agree that for Indoor Championships the competition window will be between June and September.

B. Event Structure

1. From 2024 reduce the number of teams in the Senior Championships (Men / Women /Indoor) to 20.

2. To agree that U19 and Sixes World Championship Events are held as Open Championships.
3. To agree that the duration of WL World Championship events are limited to 10 days.
4. To change the Under 19 Championship for Men and for Women from Under 19 to Under 20.
5. To agree the proposed WL 6's strategy.

Additional Membership Proposal

1. Latvia Lacrosse has proposed a change to the current Bylaws such that for World Events commencing from the next Men's Senior Field World Championship 2023 (or to consider 2022) that there will be no pre-qualifiers except for the Host Country. It is also proposed that a Working Group be set up to produce the procedures to support this and they would be subject to postal vote during this year.
The WL Board does not support this proposal for 2023 (2022) as the GA had only in 2018 agreed the existing pre-qualifications for the two senior events prior to a review.
The Board supports setting up a future Working Group on qualifiers unless 15. and 16. above have already been agreed for the next cycle of events.
Separately the Board would support a Working Group to consider other ways of ranking teams between world events.