



DECISION No DEC-III.4/112-VI /2020

**ADOPTING THE RULES FOR THE INSTITUTIONAL
SPONSORSHIP OF THE IOC IN NATIONAL COMPETITIONS FOR
THE QUALITY OF EXTRA VIRGIN OLIVE OIL ORGANISED BY
THE COMPETENT AUTHORITIES OF THE COUNTRIES**

THE COUNCIL OF MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL OLIVE COUNCIL,

Having regard to the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives 2015, and in particular its Article 1 'Objectives of the Agreement' in the field of standardisation and research, concerning the standardisation of national and international legislation;

Having regard to Decision DEC-1/74-IV of 6 June 1996 adopting by the Council the rules of the Mario Solinas Quality Award, an international competition which each year awards the extra virgin olive oil with the best score given by an international panel in each category of fruitiness;

Having regard to Decision DEC-1/82-IV/00 adopted by the Council on 8 June 2000 establishing the entry into force of the Mario Solinas Quality Award decided by the Council in 1993 as from the 2000/01 financial year, and Decision DEC-22/95-V/07 revising the categories provided for in the initial rules of the competition;

Having regard to Decision DEC-15/103-V/2015 adopted by the Council on 26 November 2015 and taking into account the intergovernmental nature of the IOC;

Having regard to Decision No. DEC-17/S.ex 27-V/2016 adopted by the Council on 16 July 2016 on the institutional sponsorship of the IOC in national competitions;

Having regard to Decision No. DEC-III-13/106-VI/2017 adopted by the Council on 27 November 2017 on the institutional sponsorship of the IOC in national competitions;

Having regard to the agreement of the Council of Members on the proposal to grant institutional support to national competitions organised by the competent authorities of the countries;

Considering the experience acquired by the IOC in organising extra virgin olive oil competitions;

Considering the increasing number of national and international quality competitions organised throughout the world;



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Considering the media impact and the influence on consumers of the prizes awarded at the end of the various competitions;

Considering the unanimous proposal of the experts in organoleptic assessment to review the profile sheet that appears in the rules of the Mario Solinas Quality Award;

DECIDES

1. To adopt the rules for the institutional sponsorship of the IOC in national competitions organised by the competent authorities of the countries (COI. T.30- 2/Doc. No. 2 of 27 November 2020) with the revised profile sheet.
2. After evaluation, the IOC will examine the appropriateness of granting its institutional sponsorship to national competitions organised by the competent authorities of the countries based on the criteria established in the said rules.
3. This Decision repeals and replaces Decision No. DEC-III-13/106-VI/2017 of 27 November 2017 on the institutional sponsorship of the IOC in national competitions.

Madrid (Spain), 27 November 2020