



**DECISION N°. DEC-III.5/118-VI /2023**

**REVISING THE RULES FOR GRANTING IOC INSTITUTIONAL  
PATRONAGE TO NATIONAL COMPETITIONS FOR  
THE QUALITY OF EXTRA VIRGIN OLIVE OIL ORGANISED BY  
THE COMPETENT AUTHORITIES OF MEMBER COUNTRIES**

**THE COUNCIL OF MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL OLIVE COUNCIL,**

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

**Considering** Decision No. DEC-17/S. ex 27-V/2016 adopted by the Council on 16 July 2016 on IOC institutional patronage of national competitions;

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

**Considering** the experience acquired by the IOC in organising competitions for extra virgin olive oils;

**Considering** the increasing number of national and international quality competitions held around the world;

**Considering** the media impact and influence on consumers of the awards granted at the end of the various competitions;

**Considering** the unanimous proposal made by the experts in organoleptic assessment at their meeting on 26 and 27 September 2023 to revise the rules for the institutional patronage of the IOC in national competitions for the quality of extra virgin olive oil;

**DECIDES**

1. To revise the rules for IOC institutional patronage of national competitions for the quality of extra virgin olive oil organised by the competent authorities of the countries;
2. To adopt the revised rules for IOC institutional patronage of national competitions (COI/T.30-2 /Doc. No. 4 of November 2023) annexed to this Decision;
3. After evaluation, the IOC will consider the appropriateness of granting institutional patronage to national competitions organised by the competent authorities of the countries using the criteria established in said rules;



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4. This Decision cancels and revokes Decision N°. DEC-III.6/114-VI /2021 of 25 November 2021 on IOC institutional patronage of national competitions.

Madrid (Spain), 23 November 2023

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Chair of the International Olive Council