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DECISION DEC-III. 4/118-VI /2023

REVISING THE RULES FOR THE IOC'S INTERNATIONAL EXTRA VIRGIN OLIVE OIL COMPETITION – THE MARIO SOLINAS QUALITY AWARD

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 Article 1 "Objectives of the Agreement" relating to standardisation and research concerning the harmonisation of national and international legislation;

Having regard to the Decision of the Council of Members for the establishment of the Mario Solinas Quality Award, an international competition which rewards the best extra virgin olive oils since the 2000/2001 crop year selected by an international jury for each category;

Having regard to Decision DEC-III.5/116-VI/2022 of 30 November 2022 adopting the rules of the 23rd edition of the Mario Solinas Quality Award;

Considering the importance olive oil professionals attach to the international recognition of their efforts to market extra virgin olive oils with organoleptic qualities, which is precisely the objective of the Mario Solinas Quality Award;

Considering the unanimous proposal made by the experts in organoleptic assessment at their meeting on 26 and 27 September 2023 to revise the rules of the Mario Solinas Quality Award;

DECIDES

1. To revise the rules of the Mario Solinas Quality Award for the 2024 edition.
2. To adopt the revised rules of the Mario Solinas Quality Award (COI/T.30/Doc. No. 26 of November 2023) for the 2024 edition annexed to this Decision.
3. This Decision cancels and abrogates Decision DEC-III.5/116-VI /2022 adopted by the Council of Members on 30 November 2022.

Madrid (Spain), 23 November 2023

Mr Kaled Musa Al Henefat
Chair of the International Olive Council