



14TH MARCH 2023

COMMUNIQUE

To: National Paralympic Committees and Friends,

SUBJECT: THE FIRST AFRICAN PARA GAMES, ACCRA 2023

The General Assembly of the African Paralympic Committee (AfPC) in 2021 in Rabat, Morocco, elected and endorsed the Republic of Ghana to host and organize the first African Para Games. Pursuance to the decision in 2017 by the AfPC General Assembly to have a stand-alone multi-para sports event for persons with disabilities and an impairment in Africa.

The African Para Games is aimed at providing African Para Athletes with the opportunity to experience a world-class multi-sporting event on the African continent, serve as a catalyst for further development and promotion of para-sports in Africa, increasing qualification opportunities for our athletes towards Paris 2024 Paralympic Games, promote inclusion further and become a prominent part of our rich African cultural heritage and diversity transforming into a formidable arena for celebrating our exceptional African Para athletes' sporting excellence to inspire a better Africa and sports diplomacy.

On Friday, 24th of February 2023, the Honorable Minister of Youth and Sports - Ghana formally inaugurated the African Para Games, Accra 2023 Local Organizing Committee (LOC) to oversee the organization and successful delivery of the Games. Following the inauguration, the LOC, in consultation with the Ministry of Youth and Sports, Ghana and other key stakeholders, announced the 3rd to 12th September 2023 as the OFFICIAL DATES for hosting and organizing the First African Games, Accra 2023.

The Official Sports Programme for the African Para Games Accra 2023 for athletes, coaches, technical officials, and team officials from the over Forty-eight (48) National Paralympic Committees (NPCS) across Africa includes seven sports disciplines, namely: Amputee Football, Goalball, Para Athletics, Para Powerlifting, Para Volley, Wheelchair Basketball, and Wheelchair Tennis.

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We hereby seize this opportunity to invite your team to the first African Para Games, Accra, to participate in the following seven sports Amputee Football, Para Athletics, Para Powerlifting, Para volleyball, Goalball, Wheelchair Basketball and Wheelchair Tennis from 3rd to 12th September 2023 in Accra-Ghana.

Upon receipt of this letter, submit your team program and budget to your government and expect participation information from the international sports federation on qualification procedures.

The African Para Games, Accra 2023 LOC will send official communications to your National Paralympic Committee (NPC) and country regarding participation procedures for the historic Games.

Please accept the assurances of our highest consideration and esteem.

SAMSON DEEN
PRESIDENT



CC:

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