

# World Flying Disc Federation Member Association Opinion Survey 2011

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### WFDF 2011 Member Association Opinion Survey

WFDF introduced a member survey this year to get input on its activities and on several issues being discussed today. Thirty-six members participated. In the following paragraphs, we will attempt to highlight some of the key findings, and we provide a summary of all the responses for your review in the following pages.

The first section of the survey is a report card on how WFDF is doing. WFDF does well on its ratings for hosting large international events such as the WUGC, WUCC, and WOC (1.89 - 2.10 out of 5.00), but not as well on its less well-established events such as Juniors, U23s, and Regional events (2.35 - 2.62 out of 5.00). The poorest marks come in the areas of the web site (3.21), support and development in Member countries (3.06 and 3.27). In looking at scores for whether progress was generally improving or not, most aspects were generally felt to be improving slightly (ranging from 1.47 - 2.00 with 1.00 being improving and 2.00 staying about the same).

Our next section dealt with Olympic Movement and anti-doping issues. A total of 52.8% of respondents felt that IOC recognition should be pursued but not to the exclusion of other priorities, and 27.8% felt that it should be an extremely high or even the highest priority for WFDF. Regarding the question of National Olympic Committee recognition, 11.1% said they were already recognized, 36.1% said they were pursuing it, and the majority -52.8% -said they were not currently pursuing it. Separately, 36.1% said they had some other form of national recognition, and another 44.4% were pursuing it.

On anti-doping, fully 52.8% said we needed to fully embrace anti-doping for flying disc sports to be taken seriously which, together with the 36.1% of respondents who recognized that anti-doping programs needed to be introduced, constitutes fully 88.9% of respondents in favor of some form of anti-doping program at WFDF. Regarding national anti-doping programs, 19.4% of Members already have some form of program and another 25.0% are considering. However, we note that 47.2% have yet to consider the issue and 5.6% are opposed to any form of anti-doping at their national association level.

Moving on to the next section, most members agreed that WFDF's highest priority should be the running of World Championships 80.0% rated this 1 or 2 out of 7). Several other top items were Communications, (72.2% in priority 1 and 2), development in new countries (63.9%), Spirit of the Game (61.1%), and overall growth (60.0%).

There was interesting input on some of the event specific issues. In Ultimate, Members want a good quality competition environment with trade-offs for cost, do not want events too close in time to each other, and want a balance between development and elite competition. There is general support for some form of Continental championships, but there are concerns about the form those might take and reluctance to have them act as qualifiers. There is a willingness to see a split of mixed and masters for WUCC due to size considerations, but only about 38.2% of Members thought they would be able to field a women's master division team at this time. A little less than a majority wants U23s on a biannual instead of quadrennial basis. Many Members were unsure whether WFDF was spending the proper amount of time on World Games. On the question of taking on responsibility for flying disc sports other than Ultimate, 44.1% already consider themselves multi-disciplinary, and another 26.5% would be willing to consider it; however 23.5% would not be interested or think WFDF should only focus on Ultimate.

On areas where WFDF could be of greater assistance to Members, the two main areas were Coaching Training (72.7% priority 1 or 2 out of 6) and General Promotion through the Media (61.7%). On development, it was interesting as no area received a majority of support as a high priority (50% for priority 1 and 2). There were some interesting regional differences however.

We wish to thank everyone who took the time to fill out the survey. We recognize that it was long but, as the first survey in a long time, we wanted to establish a benchmark and get Member input on some key issues facing us today. As always, we look forward to your support and fee free to contact us if you have any comments.

Robert "Nob" Rauch, President Sandie Hammerly, Secretary August 16, 2011

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Please note that for some questions, data has been provided by Continental region. In most cases, this data was provided a) in those cases where a Continental regions opinion appeared to differ signficantly from summary data, or b) it seemed valuable to provide a snapshot of the number of reponses from a region in order to provide a clearer picture of numbers provided in summary)

## WFDF Report Card For questions 1a-1o, please grade WFDF on its performance according to the following scale: give a 1 for excellent, 2 for good, 3 for fair, 4 for poor, 5 for horrible, and DK for "don't know."

Note: Average Rating reflects the average score for all those who selected a numerical rating. "Don't know" responses are not included in the calculation.

	excellent - 1	good-2	fair - 3	poor -4	horrible - 5	Don't know	Rating Average	Response Count
World Ultimate and Guts Championships (Vancouver 2008)	13.9% (5)	33.3% (12)	5.6% (2)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	47.2% (17)	1,89	36
World Ultimate Club Championships (Prague 2010)	25.0% (9)	30.6% (11)	22.2% (8)	5.6% (2)	0.0% (0)	16.7% (6)	2.1	36
World Overall Championships (2009 Jacksonville)	5.6% (2)	5.6% (2)	5.6% (2)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	83.3% (30)	2	36
World Junior Ultimate Championships (Heilbronn 2010)	8.3% (3)	16.7% (6)	19.4% (7)	2.8% (1)	0.0% (0)	52.8% (19)	2.35	36
World Under 23 Championships (Florence 2010)	5.6% (2)	16.7% (6)	19.4% (7)	8.3% (3)	0.0% (0)	50.0% (18)	2.61	36
Regional Championships	5.6% (2)	8.3% (3)	19.4% (7)	0.0% (0)	2.8% (1)	63.9% (23)	2.62	36
Communications	13.9% (5)	22.2% (8)	41.7% (15)	16.7% (6)	0.0% (0)	5.6% (2)	2.65	36
Web site	5.6% (2)	16.7% (6)	36.1% (13)	25.0% (9)	11.1% (4)	5.6% (2)	3.21	36
Marketing of flying disc sports	5.6% (2)	16.7% (6)	38.9% (14)	25.0% (9)	0.0% (0)	13.9% (5)	2.97	36
Growth of flying disc sports	2.8% (1)	33.3% (12)	41.7% (15)	11.1% (4)	0.0% (0)	11.1% (4)	2.72	36
Support of Member Associations	2.8% (1)	19.4% (7)	38.9% (14)	19.4% (7)	5.6% (2)	13.9% (5)	3.06	36
Development of disc sports in new countries	2.8% (1)	19.4% (7)	33.3% (12)	16.7% (6)	2.8% (1)	25.0% (9)	2.93	36
Development of disc sports in Member countries	2.8% (1)	16.7% (6)	33.3% (12)	30.6% (11)	8.3% (3)	8.3% (3)	3.27	36
Enhanced understanding of Spirit of the Game	8.3% (3)	30.6% (11)	38.9% (14)	11.1% (4)	0.0% (0)	11.1% (4)	2.59	36
Advancement within the Olympic Movement (World Games, Sport Accord, IOC)	13.9% (5)	33.3% (12)	25.0% (9)	2.8% (1)	2.8% (1)	22.2% (8)	2.32	36
Anti-Doping Education	5.6% (2)	19.4% (7)	25.0% (9)	25.0% (9)	5.6% (2)	19.4% (7)	3.07	36
Management of business activities	2.8% (1)	25.0% (9)	33.3% (12)	13.9% (5)	2.8% (1)	22.2% (8)	2.86	36

# For the following questions 2a-2l, please state whether over the last five years WFDF's performance in the following areas has: 1- generally improved, 2-stayed about the same, 3-generally worsened, or DK-don't know.

Note: Rating Average reflects average score for all those who submitted a numerical rating. "Don't know" responses are not included in the calculation.

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	1-generally	2-stayed about	3-generally	Don't know	Rating	Response
	improved	the same	worsened		Average	Count
World Championships	30.6% (11)	41.7% (15)	0.0% (0)	27.8% (10)	1.58	36
Communications	30.6% (11)	52.8% (19)	5.6% (2)	11.1% (4)	1.72	36
Web site	19.4% (7)	52.8% (19)	16.7% (6)	11.1% (4)	1.59	36
Marketing of flying disc sports	19.4% (7)	61.1% (22)	2.8% (1)	16.7% (6)	1.8	36
Growth of flying disc sports	47.2% (17)	33.3% (12)	2.9% (1)	16.7% (6)	1.47	36
Support of Member Associations	16.7% (6)	58.3% (21)	8.3% (3)	16.7% (6)	1.9	36
Development of disc sports in new						
countries	27.80% (10)	27.8% (10)	5.6% (2)	38.9% (14)	1.64	36
Development of disc sports in						
Member countries	11.1% (4)	61.1% (22)	11.1% (4)	16.7% (6)	2	36
Enhanced understanding of Spirit of						
the Game	36.1% (13)	44.4% (16)	5.6% (2)	13.9% (5)	1.61	36
Advancement within the Olympic						
Movement (World Games, Sport						
Accord, IOC)	36.1% (13)	33.3% (12)	2.8% (1)	27.8% (10)	1.54	36
Anti-Doping Education	20.6% (11)	41.7% (15)	5.6% (2)	22.2% (8)	1.68	36
Management of business activities	25.0% (9)	38.9% (14)	5.6% (2)	30.6% (11)	1.72	36

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	Response	Response
	Percent	Count
IOC recognition should be the highest priority for WFDF.	13.9%	5
Asia Oceana	25.0%	2
Europe	11.1%	2
Pan America	14.3%	-
IOC recognition should be an extremely high priority for WFDF.	13.9%	5
Asia Oceana	0.0%	(
Europe	16.7%	3
Pan America	14.3%	1
IOC recognition should be pursued by WFDF but not to the exclusion of other priorities.	52.8%	19
Asia Oceana	37.5%	3
Europe	50.0%	Ç
Pan America	71.4%	
Africa	100.0%	1
IOC recognition should not be a high priority but WFDF should keep open the possibility in the future.	16.7%	
Asia Oceana	37.5%	3
Europe	17.7%	3
Pan America	0.0%	(
IOC recognition should not be pursued by WFDF.		

2.8%

0.0%

5.6% 0.0%

Asia Oceana

Pan America

Europe

Olympic and International Sports Movement Involvement - How important a priority for WFDF should pursuit of IOC recognition be?

Separately from WFDF, is you Olympic	ur Association considering Committee recognition?	g pursuing National
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	Response Percent	Response Count
We are already recognized.	11.1%	4
Pan America	0.0%	0
Asia Oceana	12.5%	1
Europe	16.7%	3
Yes.	36.1%	13
Pan America	71.4%	5
Asia Oceana	25.0%	2
Europe	27.8%	5
Africa	100.0%	1
No.	52.8%	19
Pan America	28.6%	2
Asia Oceana	62.5%	5
Europe	55.6%	10

Separately from WFDF, is your Association considering pursuing recognition by a national government body other than your National Olympic  Committee?							
Response Percent Response Count							
a. We are already recognized.	36.1%	13					
b. Yes.	44.4%	16					
c. No.	19.4%	7					

As stated above, WADA compliance is required if WFDF is to continue to participate in the Olympic Movement at any level. What this means is that flying disc athletes may be subject to anti-doping testing when they participate in a WFDF event (typically, the targets will be the elite athletes from the top teams).

What do you think about that?

	Response	Response
	Percent	Count
If flying disc sports are to be taken seriously, we realize we need to fully embrace anti-doping.	52.8%	19
Asia Oceana	87.5%	7
Europe	27.8%	5
Pan America	85.7%	6
We recognize that anti-doping programs need to be introduced to flying disc sports, but hope that the impact can be minimized.	36.1%	13
Asia Oceana	12.5%	1
Europe	50.0%	9
Pan America	14.3%	1
Africa	100.0%	1
We are uncomfortable with the introduction of anti-doping programs, but are willing to consider the issue and see how it impacts athletes and our association.	5.6%	2
Asia Oceana	0.0%	0
Europe	11.1%	2
Pan America	0.0%	0
We are opposed to anti-doping programs being introduced into WFDF events in any form.	5.6%	2
Asia Oceana	0.0%	0
Europe	11.1%	2
Pan America	0.00%	0

It is possible that, over time, anti-doping programs may be required for all Member Associations of WFDF on a national basis. What do you think about that?		

	Response	Response	
	Percent	Count	
We already have an anti-doping program for our Association.	19.4%	7	
Asia Oceana			
Europe		3	
Pan America	0.0%	0	
We are already considering the introduction of an anti-doping program for our Association as it is required for us in order to gain/maintain recognition by our nationals sports association.	25.0%	9	
Asia Oceana	12.5%	1	
Europe	27.8%	5	
Pan America	42.9%	3	
We haven't yet considered the issue.	47.2%	17	
Asia Oceana	37.5%	3	
Europe	38.9%	7	
Pan America	57.1%	4	
Africa	100.0%	1	
We are uncomfortable with the introduction of an anti-doping program for our Association, but are willing to consider the issue and see how it impacts athletes and our association.	2.8%	1	
Asia Oceana	0.0%	0	
Europe	5.6%	1	
Pan America	0.0%	0	
We are opposed to anti-doping programs being introduced into our national Association in any orm.  5.6%			
Asia Oceana	0.0%	0	
Europe	11.1%	2	
Pan America	0.0%	0	

WFDF Priorities	Although we realize such rankings are subjective and difficult, please rank the following areas of
	WFDF activity by priority (1 is most important, 7 is least important).

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Response Count
World Championships	71.4% (25)	8.6% (3)	11.4% (4)	5.7% (2)	0.0%	0.0%	2.9% (1)	35
Regional Championships	8.3% (3)	27.8% (10)	38.9% (14)	13.9% (5)	0.0%	5.6% (2)	5.6% (2)	36
Europe	5.6% (1)	38.9% (7)	27.8% (5)	11.1% (2)	0.0%	5.6% (1)	11.2% (2)	18
Pan America	14.3% (1)	14.3% (1)	28.6% (2)	28.6% (2)	0.0%	14.3% (1)	14.3% (1)	7
Asia Oceana	12.5% (1)	25.0% (2)	50.0% (4)	12.5% (1)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	8
World Games	25.7% (9)	14.3% (5)	31.4% (11)	20% (7)	2.9% (1)	0.0%	5.7% (2)	35
Communications	38.9% (14)	33.3% (12)	16.7% (6)	5.6% (2)	5.6% (2)	0.0%	0.0%	36
Web site	25.7% (9)	37.1% (13)	20.0% (7)	8.6% (3)	5.7% (2)	2.9% (1)	0.0%	35
Marketing of flying disc sports	20.0% (7)	28.6% (10)	22.9% (8)	17.1% (6)	2.9% (1)	8.6% (3)	0.0%	35
Europe	22.2% (4)	16.7% (3)	38.9% (7)	5.6% (1)	0.0%	16.7% (3)	0.0%	18
Pan America	16.7% (1)	16.7% (1)	0.0%	50.0% (3)	16.7% (1)	0.0%	0.0%	6
Asia Oceana	25.0% (2)	62.5% (5)	0.0%	12.5% (1)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	8
Growth of flying disc sports	34.3% (12)	25.7% (9)	17.1% (6)	14.3% (5)	2.9% (1)	2.9% (1)	2.9% (1)	35
Support of Member Associations	36.1% (13)	19.4% (7)	25.0% (9)	8.3% (3)	8.3% (3)	0.0%	2.8% (1)	36

Development of disc sports in new countries	36.1% (13)	27.8% (10)	22.2% (8)	5.6% (2)	8.3% (3)	0.0%	0.0%	36
Development of disc sports in Member countries	27.8% (10)	25.0% (9)	25.0% (9)	13.9% (5)	5.6% (2)	0.0%	2.8% (1)	36
Europe	11.1% (2)	38.9% )7)	22.2% (4)	16.7% (3)	5.6% (1)	0.0%	5.6% (1)	18
Pan America	57.1% (4)	0.0%	28.6% (2)	0.0%	14.3% (1)	0.0%	0.0%	7
Enhanced understanding of Spirit of the Game	25.0% (9)	36.1% (13)	19.4% (7)	13.9% (5)	2.8% (1)	2.8% (1)	0.0%	36
Advancement within the Olympic Movement (World Games, Sport Accord, IOC)	20.0% (7)	28.6% (10)	11.4% (4)	17.1% (6)	8.6% (3)	2.9% (1)	11.4% (4)	35
Asia Oceana	37.5% (3)	12.5% (1)	0.00%	25.0% (2)	25.0% (2)	0.00%	0.00%	8
Pan America	16.7% (1)	50.0% (3)	16.7% (1)	16.7% (1)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	6
Europe	5.6% (1)	33.3% (6)	11.1% (2)	16.7% (3)	5.6% (1)	5.6% (1)	22.2% (4)	18
Anti-Doping education	11.4% (4)	37.1% (13)	25.7% (9)	17.1% (6)	0.00%	5.7% (2)	2.9% (1)	35
Management of business activities	19.4% (7)	11.1% (4)	44.4% (16)	11.1% (4)	5.6% (2)	5.6% (2)	2.8% (1)	36

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							Rating	Response
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Average	Count
Keeping costs low	14.7% (5)	17.6% (6)	20.6% (7)	23.5% (8)	11.8% (4)	11.8% (4)	3.35	34
Asia Oceana	12.5% (1)	25.0% (2)	25.0% (2)	12.5% (1)	12.5% (1)	12.5% (1)	3.25	8
Pan America	28.6% (2)	0.0%	14.3% (1)	14.3% (1)	28.6% (2)	14.3% (1)	3.57	7
Europe	11.1% (2)	22.2% (4)	22.2% (4)	27.8% (5)	5.6% (1)	11.1% (2)	3.28	18
Maximizing the number of teams	17.6% (6)	20.6% (7)	11.8% (4)	17.6% (6)	14.7% (5)	17.6% (6)	3.44	34
Asia Oceana	25.0% (2)	12.5% (1)	12.5% (1)	37.5% (3)	12.5% (1)	0.0%	3	8
Europe	22.2% (4)	22.2% (4)	5.6% (1)	16.7% (3)	5.6% (1)	27.8% (5)	3.28	18
Pan America	0.0%	28.6% (2)	14.3% (1)	0.0%	42.9% (3)	14.3% (1)	4	7
Rotating hosts around the world	20.6% (7)	20.6% (7)	17.6% (6)	14.7% (5)	17.6% (6)	8.8% (3)	3.15	34
Asia Oceana	25.0% (2)	12.5% (1)	12.5% (1)	12.5% (1)	37.5% (3)	0.0%	3.25	8
Europe	16.6% (3)	22.2% (4)	22.2% (4)	11.11% (2)	11.11% (2)	16.7% (3)	3.28	18
Pan America	14.3% (1)	28.6% (2)	14.3% (1)	28.6% (2)	14.3% (1)	0.0%	3	7
World-class competition environment (fields and other services), which would mean fewer teams and higher costs.	2.9% (1)	20.6% (7)	11.8% (4)	23.5% (8)	29.4% (10)	11.8% (4)	3.91	34
Asia Oceana	0.00%	25.0% (2)	25.0% (2)	12.5% (1)	12.5% (1)	25.0% (2)	3.88	8
Pan America	14.3% (1)	28.6% (2)	0.0%	42.9% (3)	14.3% (1)	0.0%	3.14	7
Europe	0.0%	11.1% (2)	11.1% (2)	22.2% (2)	44.4% (8)	11.1% (2)	4.33	18
Good quality competition environment (fields and other services) but with trade-offs for cost.	38.2% (13)	17.6% (6)	23.5% (8)	11.8% (4)	8.8% (3)	0	2.35	34
Hosting the events in the same year close to each other in time and location	5.9% (2)	2.9% (1)	14.7% (5)	8.8% (3)	17.6% (6)	50.0% (17)	4.79	34

# For Ultimate, which is more important in the context of planning the events and setting competition rules (e.g. formats, eligibility, qualification) at WUGC, WUCC and Regional Championships?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Worldwide development of Ultimate	26.5%	9
Elite competition	14.7%	5
Both should be weighed equally	58.8%	20
Unsure or no opinion	0.0%	0

# For Ultimate, in 2010 (and 2011 for European Federations) there were three major tournaments over the space of approximately six weeks. Can your player base and your Federation's administrative functions continue to cope with this?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Our teams and players enjoy participating in as many major events as possible, and we are able to support them.	17.6%	6
It is sometimes difficult to deal with so many major events in such short periods of time.	61.8%	21
Not sure or no opinion.	20.6%	7

Please provide comments on how we can best organize these events to help you cope with increasing number of WFDF international competitions. (e.g. run them in almost same location and put them in short periods of time? Or do the opposite and move them further apart in the year?) If you are struggling with the number of competitions, please provide comments on what problems they cause.

I can see the benefits of running competitions close together in time and location, but this means tournaments will be confined to Europe or North America, where you can have different hosts close together. This means we lose the uniqueness of events like WUCC in Hawaii and Perth. Given a four year cycle for tournament (or four years for seniors tournaments and two years for Age Group Tournaments), I think you should spread them out so that there are one or two major events each year, rather than holding WUCC, U23 and Juniors all in the same year. The number of competitions causes New Zealand issues, because, to get the required number of players, our best young players would need to play in multiple team. I.e. - our best U19 player would also play in the U23 New Zealand team and possible in the senior team as well. I don't see the need for an Under 19 and an Under 23 world championships. I think you should have Seniors and Juniors where Juniors is Under 21 and that's it.

move them further apart in the year

The only issue for Polish players is financial aspect. Many players cannot efford to pay for 2-3 big events in the same year.

Currently in China we are starting our involvement with WFDF, we only send OPEN and WOMEN's teams to Prague and AOUCC. It is too early to comment

Regional Events and Worlds (WUGC and WUCC) should be at least 1 year apart and should be held around the same time so that National Associations can plan accordingly. This year we will probably have only 8 to 9 months between PAUC2011 and WUGC2012, that has yet to be announced.

Our teams and players enjoy particiapting in as many major events as possible, and we are able to support them BUT WE NEED MORE NOTICE

We do not attend many WFDF competitions as we are still trying to develop the sport & expand our local player base in our country.

I think that putting the tournaments wider apart will not help, but putting them closer could be helpful.

Our association never participate any of the above tournaments in 2010 & 2011

This is definately difficult task. I think the wfdf should continue to organize events so, that players can move from one competition to another, as they get older. FFDA thinks that e.g the U-23 championship was a good experience for our younger players and helped to bridge the gap between the adults national team and juniors.

Our opinion is to move them further apart in the year could be helpful becaause of more national desicisions that make it nearly impossible for elite player to take part in them all, when four or five top tournaments occur within two months. Furthermore for the DFV (Germany) it is quiet hard to cope with the number of all existing national temas (although until now we always succeede in building them up). But this are already U17 and Junior Open m and (4), U 23 (3), Continental with Open, Women, Mixed and Masters (4) and Beach Worlds with Open, Women, Mixed, Masters, mixed Masters and Grandmasters (6). - in total 17 national teams!!! Organizing jerseys is a master piece alone...

Emphasize quality....not quantity, and make them world class.

Organisational problems and capacity within the association which has a low number of members on that competetive level to be able to take part. Financial problems are second issue.

Move them further apart in the year.

Because we are quite isolated (Travel costs) it would be difficult to travel to a number of different venues in a short space of time. However, if say 2 tournaments were set up within reasonable distance, 2 weeks apart, that would be viable for Australians

Where we have events that are clearly open to the same group of players, i.e. grass and beach events then I believe we should look to push them further apart in time (at least 2 months). Where we have events for different age-groups then I think we should look to locate them close to each other by location, and relatively close in time. In Europe this year we have EUF 30 July-6 Aug in Slovenia, and EYUC (youth) with its opening ceremony and game on Monday 8th in Poland. Location-wise this is good. I suspect we probably needed one or two more days between the end of one and the start of the next. This requires compromises, such as losing one day or competition, or perhaps playing the Junior finals on a Sunday. We should be able to get some more good feedback from European Federations on this timing soon (if not now).

move them further apart in the year

For Ultimate, do you think that some form of Continental championship
should be introduced as a qualifying round and/or for establishing seeding
for WUGC in the future?

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	Response Percent	Response Count
Uncategorically yes.	17.6%	6
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Asia Oceana		
Europe		
Pan America	0.0%	0
We would be willing to see a well-designed program introduced in the future but our region is not ready for that yet.	35.3%	12
Asia Oceana	50.0%	4
Europe	27.8%	5
Pan America	28.6%	2
Africa	100.0%	1
Although we recognize space limitations, we think it is best to still let all nations compete in the WUGC.	29.4%	10
Asia Oceana	25.0%	2
Europe	33.3%	6
Pan America	28.6%	2
We think Continental Qualifiers is a bad idea.	14.7%	5
Asia Oceana	0.0%	0
Europe	11.1%	2
Pan America	42.9%	3
Not applicable to our Association.	2.9%	1
Asia Oceana	0.0%	0
Europe	5.6%	1

# For Ultimate, should we create a separate WUCC for Mixed and Masters? This would be done primarily due to space and logistical limitations.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Uncategorically yes.	5.9%	2
We would be willing to see a well-designed program introduced.	64.7%	22
Although we recognize space limitations, we think it is best to have all divisions compete at the same time, even if that means limitations on the number of competitors in all of the various divisions.	17.6%	6
We think splitting the tournament is a bad idea.	11.8%	4
Not applicable to our Association.	0.0%	0

# For Ultimate, if a Womens Masters Division (for women over 30 years old) were to be introduced to WUCG, how likely is it that your Association could send a Womens Masters team?

	Response Percent	Response Count	
Definitely	8.8%	3	
Asia Oceana	25.0%		2
Europe	5.6%		1
Pan America	0.0%		0
Highly likely	5.9%	2	
Asia Oceana	12.5%		1
Europe	0.0%		0
Pan America	14.3%		1
We think we might be able to	23.5%	8	
Asia Oceana	12.5%		1
Europe	33.3%		6
Pan America	14.3%		1
Not very likely	32.4%	11	
Asia Oceana	37.5%		3
Europe	16.7%		3
Pan America	57.1%		4
Africa	100.0%		1
No chance	23.5%	8	
Asia Oceana	12.5%		1
Europe	33.3.%		6
Pan America	14.3%		1
Not applicable to our Association	5.9%	2	
Europe	11.10%		2
Asia Oceana	0.00%		0

For Ultimate, should the U-23s be held on a biannual basis (every two years) or a quadrennial basis (every four years)?				
	Response	Response		
	Percent	Count		
Biannual basis (every two years).	47.1%	16		
Pan America	28.6%	2		
Asia Oceana	50.0%	4		
Europe	55.6%	10		
Quadrennial basis (every four years).	26.5%	9		
Pan America	57.1%	4		
Asia Oceana	12.5%	1		
Europe	22.2%	4		
Not sure.	14.7%	5		
Pan America	14.3%	1		
Asia Oceana	12.5%	1		
Europe	16.7%	3		
Not applicable to our Association.	11.8%	4		
Asia Oceana	25.0%	2		
Europe	5.6%	1		

Is WFDF investing the proper amount of time and resources on the World Games and other events which may be considered to have limited opportunities for participation by all nations?				
	Response Percent	Response Count		
WFDF is spending too much of its time and resources on such events.	17.6%	6		
WFDF is spending about the correct amount of its time and resources on such events.	29.4%	10		
WFDF should be spending more of its time and resources on such events.	14.7%	5		
Don't know.	38.2%	13		

In terms of organization, WFDF largely follows the Olympic model where athletes are represented by National Associations. In recent years, many new associations have been established as Ultimate-only associations and there is no national body to oversee activity in other disciplines such as guts, overall events, freestyle, or golf. If a plan to broaden the mandate were presented, would your association be willing to oversee disciplines other than Ultimate (and likely coordinating with established groups such as Freestyle Players Association or PDGA)?

	Response Percent	Response Count
We are already a multi-discipline national association.	44.1%	15
Asia Oceana	62.5%	5
Europe	50.0%	9
Pan America	0.0%	0

Africa	100.0%	1
We would be willing to consider taking on that responsibility.	26.5%	9
Asia Oceana	12.5%	1
Europe	27.8%	5
Pan America	42.9%	3
We really wouldn't be interested in anything but Ultimate.	5.9%	2
Asia Oceana	0.0%	0
Europe	5.6%	1
Pan America	14.3%	1
Not only would is that a bad idea, we think WFDF should just focus	17.6%	6
Asia Oceana	12.5%	1
Europe	11.1%	2
Pan America	42.9%	3
Not applicable to our Association.	5.9%	2
Asia Oceana	12.5%	1
Europe	5.6%	1

#### Are there areas where WFDF could provide further support to your Association? Please rank the following areas of potential support activity by priority (1 is most helpful, 6 is least helpful). Response 1 2 3 4 5 6 Count Basic organization and legal standing (such as improving Bylaws, 14.7% (5) 14.7% (5) 23.5% (8) 11.8% (4) 11.8% (4) 23.5% (8) 34 upgrading from provisional membership, etc). Asia Oceana 25% (2) 37.5% (3) 0.0% 12.5% (1) 0.0% 12.5% (2) Assistance with official national 23.5% (8) 26.5% (9) 8.8% (3) 11.8% (4) 11.8% (4) 17.6% (6) 34 recognition. Web site. 12.1% (4) 12.1% (4) 21.2% (7) 12.1% (4) 21.2% (7) 21.2% (7) 33 14.3% (1) 28.6% (2) 14.3% (1) 8 Asia Oceana 28.6% (2) 14.3% (1 0.00% 14.3% (1) Pan America 14.3% (1) 0.0% 28.6% (2) 14.3% (1) 28.6% (2) 6.1% (2) 33 Coaching training. 48.5% (16) 24.2% (8) 9.1% (3) 9.1% (3) 3.0% (1) 62.5% (5) 25.0% (2) 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 12.5% (1) 8 Asia Oceana 6 Pan America 66.7(4)% 16.7% (1) 0.0% 0.0% 16.7% (1) 0.0% 0.0% Africa 100 (1)% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% Increased participation by women 15.2% (5) 42.4% (14) 24.2% (8) 6.1% (2) 33 12.1% (4) and juniors. Teaching and promotion of Spirit of 20.6% (7) 32.4% (11) 14.7% (5) 23.5% (8) 8.8% (3) 34 the Game, 11.1% (2) 22.2% (4) 22.2% (4) 38.9% (7) 5.6% (1) 18 Europe 0.0% Pan America 42.9% (3) 42.9% (3) 0.0% 0.0% 14.3% (1) 0.0% General promotion of the sport 44.1% (15) 17.6% (6) 23.5% (8) 8.8% (3) 2.9% (1) 2.9% (1) 34 through the media. Other (Please specify below). 32.0% (8) 8.0% (2) 12.0% (3) 48.0% (12) 25

#### If your answer to the question above was "Other", please specify below.

Development of Ultimate Frisbee handooks for basic education

Again: Coaching training. Just making a point of how important that is to us.

Basic organisation or best practices of founding city leagues, regional leagues, building up junior teams etc.

Make sure that teams competing in world championships truly represetn the best their country can put forward. Teams just playing for "fun' is not a true world championship and we should not call it that if teams are just there for "fun".

Make promotional materials available. Standard flyers and posters that can be easily customized and printed by federations. Not everyone has a designer to make this. Also help with getting sponsors.

Really get on top of the WFDF Championships (including beach) as per earlier answers. 1. Timing and forward planning 2. Quality 3. Business models to support reduction in costs to players, and maybe even share upside on events back with National Federations provided they spend in specific areas? (WFDF prob does not have the money to worry about this yet.)

find a clear and easy to understand procedure for the way you want bids for WUGC and other big international tournament, and also communicate why you gave any event to the one who will host it.

Make flying disc sports into Olympic Games.

### What types of development projects do you think would be most useful for WFDF to engage in? Please rank the following areas of potential support activity by priority (1 is most useful, 6 is least useful).

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Response Count
New development work in places like Africa or central Asia.	15.2% (5)	9.1% (3)	15.2% (5)	12.1% (4)	27.3% (9)	21.2% (7)	33
Asia Oceana	50.0% (4)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	25.0% (2)	25.0% (2)	8
Pan America	0.0%	0.0%	14.3% (1)	28.6% (2)	14.3% (1)	42.9% (3)	7
Africa	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1
Support of activity in countries where there is already some form of established flying disc group.	24.2% (8)	21.2% (7)	24.2% (8)	12.1% (4)	9.1% (3)	9.1% (3)	33
Pan America	42.9% (3)	28.6% (2)	28.6% (2)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	7
Support of the activity of an outside group like Ultimate Peace.	3.0% (1)	6.1% (2)	18.2% (6)	15.2% (5)	24.2% (8)	33.3% (11)	33
Europe	5.9% (1)	5.9% (1)	35.3% (6)	11.8% (2)	17.6% (3)	23.5% (4)	17
Support of new/struggling current Members.	24.2% (8)	21.2% (7)	24.2% (8)	21.2% (7)	6.1% (2)	3.0% (1)	33
Europe	23.5% (4)	11.8% (2)	23.5% (4)	29.4% (5)	5.9% (1)	5.9% (1)	17
Pan America	0.0%	57.1% (4)	28.6% (2)	0.0%	14.3% (1)	0.0%	7
Africa	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1
Improving and distributing teaching materials on Spirit of the Game.	14.7% (5)	17.6% (6)	8.8% (3)	26.5% (9)	26.5% (9)	5.9% (2)	34
Expansion of top level competition to promote visibility.	18.2% (6)	21.2% (7)	12.1% (4)	15.2% (5)	9.1% (3)	24.2% (8)	33
Asia Oceana	14.3% (1)	28.6% (2)	28.6% (2)	14.3% (1)	0.0%	14.3% (1)	8
Europe	16.7% (3)	27.8% (5)	5.6% (1)	22.2% (4)	0.0%	27.8% (5)	18
Pan America	28.6% (2)	0.0%	14.3% (1)	0.0%	28.6% (2)	28.6% (2)	7
Other (Please specify below)	20.0% (1)	40.0% (2)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	40.0% (2)	5

#### If your answer above was "Other" please specify.

Incentives/support for more members to develop their coaching and general infrastructure to support long term steady growth. Note: if (f) had said something different to "expansion" I think I would have rated it higher. We do not need more WFDF competition. Working on making the top level competition more "accessible" to promote would make sense.

Establish the international coach accreditation system.

#### Do you have any other comments you would like to share?

On the Regional Events ahead of WUGC and WUCC: We support the introduction of Regional Events like the Asia Oceania Championships. However, attendance at these events should not be made compulsory in order to qualify for WUGC or WUCC. Regional events allow high level of competition without the expense and time required to travel all over the world, but if this were used as a compulsory qualification event, the expense it would require for our players to attend both a regional tournament AND the World Champs would be prohibitive. We already struggle to send the best players to WUGC and WUCC representing New Zealand. It is still very much a case of "You can go if you can afford to go".

I think that all country that play Ultimate and the WFDF should work together in specific projects that we need, be focused on it. It is a big start to know all our opinion about different topics. We are in process to improve our community and we need all your support and patient. Share with every one wrote materials about activities to improve the spirit of game, ultimate players mass, group of organization, etc. We are Open to receive all the help possible. Thanks so much for the opportunity to express

We are early in building our association in China, and so for now we do not pay much attention to WFDF global strategies and vision. China will take many years on its own...its that big. In another year or two, we will be ready to work with the WFDF, once our foundation here is laid.

thanks for this incredible survey and time -

We feel that WFDF should be more active in promoting Coaching. A WFDF Coaching Certification program would interest, we think, a good share of national associations and could be be self-sustained and even an additional modest source of income for WFDF. Also, host announcement must be greatly improved. We're 3 days off from July and no WUCG2012 announcement has been made. It has been 5 weeks since we where told the announcement was going to be made "in the coming weeks". We fully understand the situation and recognize that the Board is trying to do it's best and ADJU appreciates this. We ask that at least a firm announcement day is announced.

For separation of mixed/master on WUCC our answer is "unsure". The question was applicable for us so I ended up anwering it as is.

It sometimes feels like new Federations are being encouraged to join the WFDF to meet quotas / increase affiliations for greater access to World Games & the Olympics for example. I would like to see the WFDF invest time and get more involved with new members to ensure a solid foundation and continued growth of the sport in new countries. Thanks

Hong Kong Ultimate Players Association introduced Ultimate to the community in 2010. With the limitation of grass (space), popularity of Ultimate. We made a 115g PU Frisbee that all surface friendly and 100% safe. Government provided venue and recruit public to promote Ultimate to family with age 6+ free of charge. We kind of drawing public attention and started teaching some PE teachers. Now most of the school using 115g PU Frisbee because only a few University or school in HK has grass field, plus it is difficult to book field. Flying disc is prohibited in public area, beach, park... etc.

Surveys are a little too long. Split them up if possible. :)

Thank you for this survey - it looks like the rigth direction to me. Keep up the good work. Kind regards

Thanks for putting this together...we appreciate all the efforts going on to improve WFDF!!

This survey is very long, but it would be at least nice to announce it and include the progress report/nr. of pages to still fill in (which is an available function of survey monkey) and estimated time to fill in. We spent a ridiculously lot of time on it in order to fill it in seriously based in common agreemen within the CALD board. We would like to recieve results from all the surveys we filled in within last half a year (as it was many already). However we evaluate the last months since the new board elections positively concerning increased communication! Keep on that.

WFDF website is extremely obsolete. Handling of bids for organizing major events is catastrophic.

On Q19 The Australian Flying Disc Assoc is National Body for all Flying Disc Sports, however, we are 99% Ultimate. The Australian Disc Golf Assoc is now incorporated and basically runs its own show. We were a bit dissapointed with the politics that led up to the election of the new board, This should be kept in house.

I strongly favor a restructuring of the WFDF to only go after Ultimate and have better continental federations, OR create a World Ultimate Federation that is a part of the WFDF and the WFDF members are WUF, Freestyle Federation, Disc Golf federation etc.. The current structure of the WFDF is illogical. I have had talks with the European Ultimate Federation (formerly the EFDF) to see how to organize the next European Beach Ultimate Championships and it is clear that it is not clear who should be in charge of that. WFDF/BULA or EUF? Are national associations members of both the WFDF and continental FDF's? Why? How does it really work? If this sport (Ultimate) is to grow, we need to have a better basic structure

It is a very long survey - should have given a suggestion on the amount of time it would take to fill in. It took mere almost 30 minutes. Which was a lot more than expected.

As with all surveys like this some of our answers were really in between the options - but nothing critical.

we, the austria flying disc federation, still are very sad that we missed the great opportunity to host the WUGC 2012 in gleisdorf/austria due to a very long and intransparent bid-procedure by the WFDF in 2010.

Make flying disc sports world record accredied by Guinness World Records.

Regular members responding: Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Chinese Taipei (Taiwan) Colombia, Czech Republic. Denmark, Dominican Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Italy, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Russia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United Statesof America, Venezuela

Provisional members responding: China, Costa Rica, Luxembourg, Portugal

Members starting survey but not completing it (and which may throw off counts/percentages on some questions): Estonia (stopped at Question 8), Spain (stopped at question 8)

Regional Representation	Response Count	
Africa	2.9%	1
Asia Oceana	8	
Europe	52.9%	18*
Pan America	20.6%	7

\* Note: Estonia and Spain did not complete survey therefore they are not included in the Continental reports.