

# Report of Canoe Slalom Development Program

## Expand & Extend, Women Canoeing

### Iran, Tehran April 25th to May 1<sup>st</sup>



## Enjoying Slalom

After Nepal, Togo, Turkey, Thailand, a new Expand & Extend-Women Canoeing training camp is being hosted by Iran and the city of Tehran from April 25th to May 1st: 19 women from Iran, 2 from Turkey, 2 from Morocco and 1 from Tunisia are once again enjoying Slalom paddling. During the first 5 days of the camp, the young enthusiastic women paddlers have spent all day talking, learning and training in Slalom canoeing.

### **A. Accommodation, participants**

Thanks to the strong support of the Iran Canoeing Rowing Sailing Federation and the huge logistic work from Miss Katayoon Ashraf, girls are able to enjoy 2 sessions a day paddling on water plus an educational program about slalom instruction and judging in Slalom.

- All expenses supported by Iran NF (food, accommodation, local transportation, equipment)
- Flight and visa fees supported by the participant

1	Iran	YAGHOUBI	MARYAM
2	Iran	BOROUN	MELIKA
3	Iran	SALEHNIA	FAEZEH
4	Iran	ALLAHGHOLI	HOSNA
5	Iran	DIVSALAR	MARYAM
6	Iran	EMDADIFARD	SANAZ
7	Iran	RAZAVI MAZAHER	SEYEDE FAEZEH
8	Iran	SAFARI	ELHAM
9	Iran	HOSSEINI	FERESHTEH
10	Iran	GOMARI	SONIA
11	Iran	AMIRI	FATEMEH
12	Iran	RONASI	FAEZEH
13	Iran	KAMRAN KOUHANESTANI	ERFANEH
14	Iran	GHAVIDEL MASALI	RASPINA
15	Iran	SHIRAZIAN	YASAMAN
16	Iran	SOLEIMANIASL	ATIYEH
17	Iran	AFSHARPOOR	BAHAREH
18	Iran	NASRAZADANI	MONIREH
19	Iran	RAZEGHIAN	ROKSANA
20	Iran	SEYEDYOUSEFI	SHAGHAYEGH

1	Tunisia	BEN ISMAIL	ABIR
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1	Morocco	GUEMRA	CHAYMAA
2	Morocco	BOUCHIR	LAILA

1	Turkey	POLAT	GAMZE
2	Turkey	BEYAZOGLU	BUSE

Iran coach	ASHRAF	KATAYOUN
Iran coach	KHODAYARY SGHAWAZ	MASOUD
Turkey coach	ALKAN	OKTAY
Greece coach	FEREKIDOU	MARIA
France coach	PESCHIER	BENOIT
France coach	GOSELIN	PIERRICK

## B. Venues and contents

Located at the foot of the mountains of Tehran, at the amazing Azadi Nautic Sports complex, the flat-water slalom venue is offering to Maria Ferekidou, twice Slalom Olympian Greek paddler, to Benoit Peschier, French 2004 Olympic Champion, and to Oktay Alkan, Turkish National coach, a great spot to share their technical slalom knowledge with 24 ladies eager to continuously improve their skills.

The group went also paddling to Alborz, about 30 minutes drive from Tehran. Within less than half day, they had already hung slalom gates and since then they have been training hard, playing and taming the dam-controlled flow of the Karaj river.

## C. Educational program

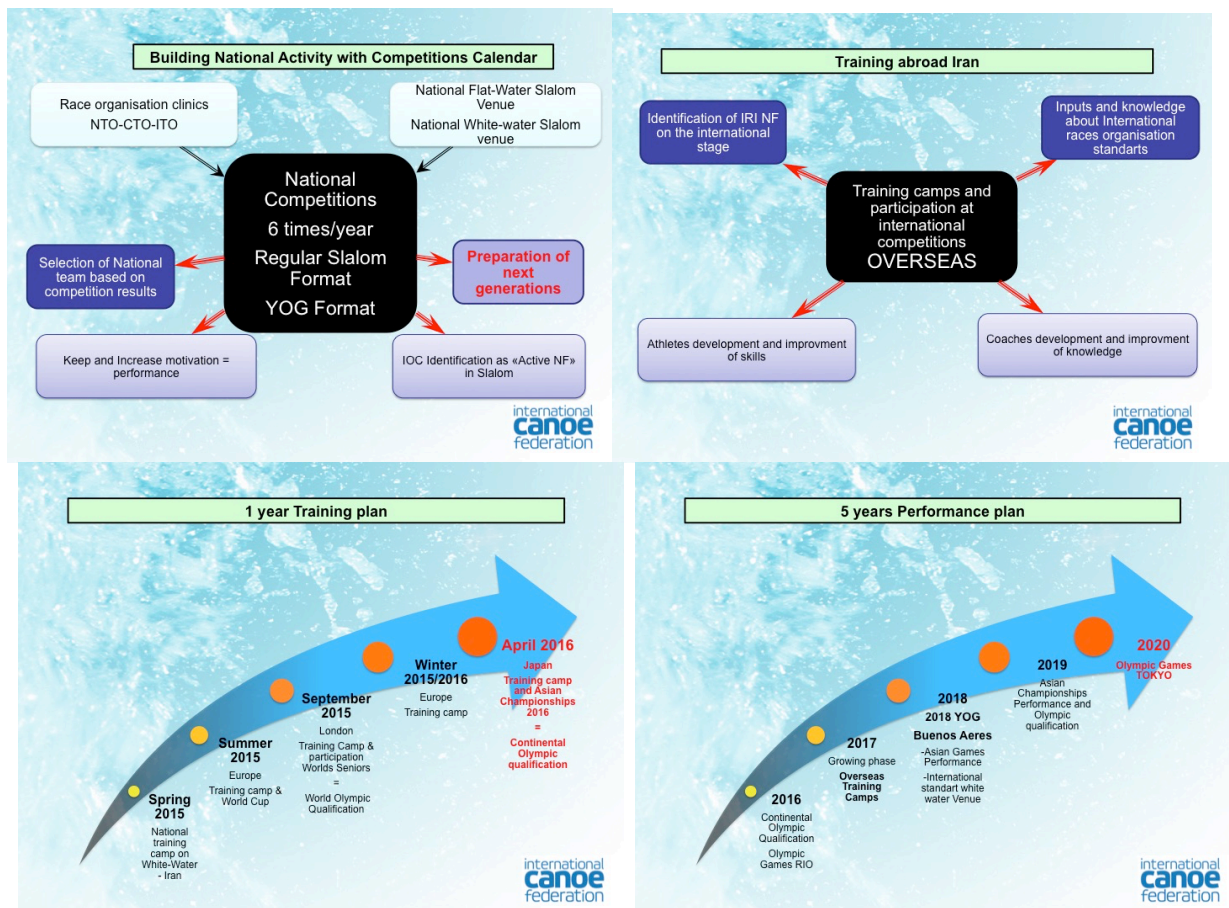
It had been based on the following items for all participants

- Setting of a Slalom venue (building and hanging gates)
- Instructing in Canoe Slalom with a turn-over paddler/observer/instructor
- Basics of Slalom judgement

## D. Development plan to the IRI NF

The following steps of national plan were proposed to Mr Amini, IRI NF President, Mr Moradi, IRI NF General Secretary.

A brief presentation of them was also given to Mr Donyamali, ACC continental representative at the ICF board.



Back to October 2014, the Turkey camp made the bridge between Europe and Asia thanks to the participation of 16 ladies from 4 European countries and 3 ladies from Iran, on the Asian continent. In Tehran, thanks to the participation of 4 different countries, Africa is now meeting Asia.

April 2015 is a milestone for E&E program, as it brings European, Asian and African paddlers over the borders to share and enjoy Slalom paddling.