International Canoe Federation Mr. Simon Toulson Secretary General

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Dear ICF and fellow athletes,

I would like to offer my candidacy to be the athlete representative in the ICF Athlete Committee.

Our sport is more than just a sport to me and it is a big part of my life. Through our sport like life, I experienced success and failures, struggles and obstacles. These experiences shape us and teach us valuable life for lessons. From what I went through in my life I am a true believer in giving back.

After a successful 2012 London Olympics I have founded a non-profit foundation that focuses on empowering young children and teaching them how to reach their goals through the Olympic principals and maintaining a healthy & active lifestyle with help of fellow athletes that I recruit that interact with children in schools.

Rio Olympics was a special panicle event in my life; it taught me that it is possible to be a mother, wife, non-profit founder and an Olympic champion athlete through hard work. But hard work alone is not enough; you need a good support team that is there for you.

I would love the opportunity to be a part of your support team and represent you the athletes in my beloved sport that gave me so much.

I ask for your support in these elections to be your athlete representative in the ICF Athletes Committee.

Today I balance my life with still family, full time athlete and growing my foundation reach more schools and countries. I enjoy the process, hard work and the fruits of hard labor, just like in sports.

Thank you for your consideration,

Krisztina Fazekas Zur

## Curriculum Vitae

Full name: Krisztina Fazekas-Zur

<u>Age</u>: 36

Gender: Female

Discipline: Canoe Kayak Sprint



# **Sport carrier:**

Having represented Hungary since 1997, I moved to the United States in 2010 after marrying three-time United States Olympic sprint paddler Rami Zur. I represented the United States in 2010 and 2011 before switching back to Hungary ahead of the 2012 Olympic Summer Games in London.

## Best Results so far:

2 times Olympic champion

7 times World champion

6 times European champion

### **Personal Carrier:**

**2006** Semmelweis University Faculty of Physical Education and Sport Sciences, Budapest

Bachelors of Science in Sports Management

**2009** Graduated from Fitness Academia (Budapest) earned a professional coaching diploma.

2013 Founded "Path of Champions Foundation"

#### Awards:

For Pilisvörösvár award (2006)

Honorary Citizen of Pilisvörösvár (2012)

Pilisvörösvár Jubilee Medal (2012)

Perpetual champion of Hungarian Kayak-Canoe (2012)

## Orders and special awards

Order of Merit of Hungary – Officer's Cross (2012)

Order of Merit of Hungary – Commander's Cross (2016)