

Classification Seminar 28th – 29th of September 2019

Saturday 28th of September

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10.00 – 10.15	Welcome Presentation of participants	Vibeke Sørensen 1.Vice-President NPC Norway
10.15 – 11.00	"Classification – Past, Present, Future"	Peter Van de Vliet Medical & Scientific Director, IPC
11.00 – 11.30	<i>Break</i>	
11.30 – 13.00	"How to create LA DOLCE VITA in a Nordic Collaboration"	Pellegrino Riccardi, Global Keynote Speaker
13.00 – 14.00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14.00 – 14.45	Endurance capacity of Paralympic sitting athletes: how do we test it and what are the implications for practice?	Julia K. Baumgart, Project coordinator for Paralympic Research at the Centre for Elite Sports Research, NTNU
14.45 – 15.05	Bribing. Does bribing of classifiers exist? What does the rules and regulations say?	International classifier Peter Van de Vliet Medical & Scientific Director, IPC
15.05 – 15.30	<i>Break</i>	
15.30 – 16.00	Athletes perspective on classification	Athlete
16.00 – 16.15	Development of an objective measure of movement coordination for swimmers with a neurological impairment.	Ana Carolina Maia Classification Coordinator Paralympics Ireland
16.15 – 16.30	<i>Break</i>	
16.30 – 17.15	Sexual harassment and abuse: risk situations, preventions and procedures for dealing with cases.	Håvard Øvregård Senior adviser, NIF
19.00	<i>Dinner</i>	

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09.00 – 09.05	Short summary of yesterday	Mette M. Berg <i>NPC Norway</i>
09.05 – 09.45	Influence of equipment on performance, efficiency and injury risk: examples from Nordic skiing	Marie Ohlsson, <i>Senior lecturer, Mid Sweden University</i>
09.45 – 10.15	Discussion on a classification case	Trille Staubo og Tone Grinde Seeberg <i>Int. classifiers in Equestrian</i>
10.15 – 10.45	<i>Break</i>	
10.45 – 11.15	How do Great Britain work in the field of classification?	Iain Gowans <i>Classification Manager at British Paralympic Association</i>
11.30 – 12.30	<i>Lunch</i>	
12.30 – 13.15	Using sensor technology to understand race performance in Paralympic cross-country skiing: an outlook in the future.	Julia Baumgart <i>Project coordinator for Paralympic Research at the Centre for Elite Sports Research, NTNU</i>
13.15 – 13.45	Update and summary from VISTA 2019	Lisa Lundell <i>Competition- & Event Manager Parasport Sweden</i>
13.45 – 14.15	<i>Break</i>	
14.15 – 14.45	Latest news from Denmark, Sweden, Finland	Lisa Lundell, <i>NPC Sweden</i> Lykke Guldbrand, <i>NPC Denmark</i> Katja Saarinen, <i>NPC Finland</i>
14.45 – 15.00	Closing remarks	
15.00	<i>Thank you and goodbye</i>	

Overview of contributors



Current position: IPC Medical & Scientific Director – head of Department for athlete classification, health and medical services, and sport science in the Paralympic Movement – since October 2006

PhD in Motor Rehabilitation and Kinesiology, research position at Leuven University, Belgium, prior to taking current position in October 2006

Multiple local, national and international engagements in para sport since mid-1980s, member Belgian Paralympic Committee elite sports unit 1996 – 2006 in sports science support capacity

Member of Belgian Paralympic Team Atlanta 1996 (head coach wheelchair racing) and Athens 2004 (manager wheelchair rugby team)



Pellegrino Riccardi has spent the last 30 years travelling the globe, helping people to connect and interact more effectively with each other.

His client list includes some of the largest and well-known brands and organisations in the world.

Pellegrino's multicultural background, along with his first-hand cross-cultural work experience over the last three decades has given Pellegrino a solid basis from which to provide his audiences with tips, practical tools and thought-provoking insights into how to get the best performance out of yourself and the people you work with.



Julia Kathrin Baumgart is educated as a physical therapist and has finished her PhD on endurance performance in Paralympic sitting sports.

Her current research focus is to understand how and to what extent different disabilities influence health, training and performance in various Paralympic sports.

Today's working position: Project coordinator for Paralympic Research at the Centre for Elite Sports Research, NTNU



Øvregård (43) works as a Senior adviser in The Norwegian Olympic and Paralympic Committee and Confederation of Sports (NIF). He is responsible for work against sexual harassment and abuse in Norwegian sport.

He is a member of the Council of Europe *Pool of Expert on Sexual Violence in Sport*. He was a part of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) *Safe Sport Team* during the Buenos Aires Youth Olympic Games 2018 and the Lillehammer Youth Olympic Games 2016, as well as member of the *Virtual Task Force* that contributed to the IOC Toolkit for IFs and NOCs *Safeguarding athletes from harassment and abuse in sport* (2017).



Marie defended her PhD thesis 2018 about sitting position in seated double-poling. She has used inverse-dynamic simulations to understand where in the body muscle work is produced. And as classification tries to understand how impairment affects performance this method can be useful. Marie is today working as a senior lecturer at Mid Sweden University, Swedish National Research Centre in Östersund and is the Parasport coordinator at the university.



Iain works as an classification Manager at British Paralympic Association. Classification Manager during London 2012 Paralympic Games. Led a 40-strong team of paid staff and volunteers through recruitment, training, planning and delivery of a key service at the London 2012 Paralympic Games.

Wrote and applied an editorial policy on how London 2012 should describe disability, Paralympians and classification in all its publications



Ana joined Paralympics Ireland in March 2016. Hailing from Brazil, Ana has a background in Physiotherapy and a MSc Exercise & Sport Biomechanics. She has been involved with Paralympics sport since 2005, and was part of the Brazilian team at the London Games 2012 and as part of the Irish team at the Rio Games 2016 as medical classifier of swimming. She is keen to support and incentive evidence based classification as has been working on a project to quantify movement coordination in swimmers with neurologic impairment.