

Dear Colleagues,
Dear canoe girls and women community,

I am pleased to announce that PASO approved the Sprint and Slalom Competition Programmes submitted by COPAC for the "XVII Pan American Games, Toronto2015" with the inclusion of the C1 women event for both disciplines.

COPAC is a pioneer in the World, promoting and including the canoe women events; first as exhibitions later included on the programme; and since now on it becomes part of the Programme of the Pan American Games.

The NFs of the Americas that have not yet incorporated canoe women, are once again strongly encouraged to take the necessary actions in order to grant the rights of their girls and women athletes, providing to them the opportunity to participate at all competition levels.

The Pan American Games, Toronto 2015, are only two years away, and the athletes need your prompt actions to participate of their Games.

As COPAC President and restless advocate for the women rights, I would like to express my gratitude for this opportunity, to the authorities of ODEPA, Organising Committee of Toronto 2015, and to the COPAC Technical Delegates Dwight Corbin and Eric Lokken.

THANKS to you all girls and women in canoe for challenging yourselves in your quest for excellence.

With my kind regards

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