

## **ICCE – ASOIF JOINT PROJECT: Global Framework for the Recognition of Coaching Competence and Qualifications**

International Triathlon Union President and IOC Member Marisol Casado has been appointed a joint-Chair to lead a worldwide project to create a Global Framework for Recognition of Coaching Competence and Qualifications, the Association of Summer Olympic International Federations (ASOIF) announced at the 35th General Assembly in London today.

ASOIF, in conjunction with the International Council for Coach Education (ICCE), established the initiative, which has been in the works for the last two years. There are currently three International Federations represented within the ICCE structure including FEI (Equestrian), ITF (Tennis) and IAAF (Athletics). The framework will help govern the education and development of coaches around the world.

ASOIF and ICCE have agreed to work jointly on the project, and ITU President Casado will serve on the working group, joined by the International Olympic Committee through its new Entourage Commission. The working group aims to develop global, non-sport-specific standards, which can easily be adapted by different sports and cultures. Members of the group will meet for the next two years, concluding in London during the 2012 Olympic Games.

Marisol Casado, ITU President and IOC Member, said:

"It is truly an honour to serve on a global project on behalf of the international Olympic sport federations. I am committed to dedicating my best effort to achieving the ASOIF's long-held initiative, and working closely with member federations and experts in this field."

The first meeting of the project will be held in Cologne, Germany during the 2nd International Workshop for Coaching Excellence on April 27-29, 2011.

4 April 2011