Reporting committee: MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

OFFSHORE CLASSES AND EVENTS COMMITTEE

EVENTS FINANCIAL EXPENSES AND COST STRUCTURE

PROPOSAL

Introduce a clear, standardized cost structure in the Green Book, or define in the race bid terms under which circumstances the organizer covers officials' expenses, travel, accommodation, and catering. This will ensure fairness, transparency, and predictability across all international sailing events.

Key Areas to be Defined:

- Officials: Daily allowances/per diems; communication with organizers regarding travel.
- Travel: Guidelines for cost efficiency (public transport vs. taxi, dynamic pricing for flights/trains/ferries), timely booking, and inclusion/exclusion of food expenses.
- Accommodation: Standards for type, duration, and inclusions; clarity on organizer responsibilities.
- Catering: Meal entitlements by role, including quality and quantity expectations.

RATIONALE

International federations define the tasks, officials, and number of officials required for major events. Organizing committees must comply, but cost structures vary widely between countries and clubs, creating inequality and uncertainty in budgeting.

A standardized cost framework ensures equality for organizing volunteers and national sailing clubs. It improves budgeting reliability, strengthens bids for prestigious events, and supports volunteer recruitment and retention. Clear rules on expenses promote social sustainability in sailing by making expectations transparent for both organizers and officials.