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World Lacrosse Announces Committee and Subcommittee Appointments in Education and Training, Officiating and Rules

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO, USA – World Lacrosse, the international federation for men’s and women’s lacrosse, announced today that it has formed its nine Technical Committees and Subcommittees and made appointments to each. The nine Technical Committees and Subcommittees are:

Education and Training Committee

Officiating Committee
Officiating Subcommittee – Women’s Lacrosse
Officiating Subcommittee – Men’s Lacrosse
Officiating Subcommittee – Indoor Lacrosse

Rules Committee
Rules Subcommittee – Women’s Lacrosse
Rules Subcommittee – Men’s Lacrosse
Rules Subcommittee – Indoor Lacrosse

Appointments to the nine Technical Committees and Subcommittees follow a comprehensive member-engagement and recruitment process. Committee and Subcommittee members, all of whom are volunteers with World Lacrosse, are beginning their work immediately to support the continued growth and development of lacrosse around the globe.

The Committee and Subcommittee members hail from 13 different countries.

“We have assembled a diverse group of technical experts from within our membership who are very engaged and committed to delivering a first-class participant experience for our players, officials, coaches and lacrosse fans,” said World Lacrosse Technical Director and Board of Directors member, **Don Blacklock**. Blacklock oversees the various Technical Committees on behalf of World Lacrosse.

“There is much work to be done, whether through developing and refining rules, developing officials or creating resources to support the officiating pathway. This is a great group of people, with tremendous talent and experience, who will commit their personal time to support the continued growth of the game, and we thank them for the willingness to continue volunteering their time in support of our international federation and game.” added Blacklock.

Rob Gross, Chair of the Education and Training Committee: “The Education & Training Committee members are not only experienced officials, but they are educators and have significant experience in training and developing officials, as well. The Committee is ready for the challenge to deliver whatever is necessary to support officials worldwide and other areas of the organization.”

Tom Sutton, Chair of the Officiating Committee:

“The three officiating Subcommittee chairs have successfully filled their Subcommittees and are looking forward to getting to work on many initiatives. We will be hosting a virtual meeting soon to introduce all three Subcommittees and the plans for the near future. We have assembled a talented group of individuals that will lead us successfully into the future.”

Brent Nowicki, Chair of the Rules Committee:

"On the rules side, we have assembled three diverse and experienced Subcommittees. The members will note that many of the representatives of the Subcommittees have experience across multiple disciplines of the game. This will help harmonize and shape the future of the game. We look forward to serving the lacrosse community."

Educating and Training Committee	
Name	Country
Rob Gross – Committee Chair	USA
Seraphine Aelterman	Belgium
Lyndsay Brooks	Canada
Ryan Griffiths	England
Greg Hart	Canada
Yusuke Kondo	Japan
Ryan Wallace	Germany

Officiating Committee	
Name	Country
Tom Sutton – Committee Chair	USA
Lauren Charwat	USA
Mark Polden	Australia
Tony Reid	Canada

Officiating Subcommittee -- Women's Lacrosse	
Name	Country
Lauren Charwat – Subcommittee Chair	USA
Sachiko Gato	Japan
Wendy Reynolds	England
Rala Heinen	USA
Ake Kriwall	Germany

Officiating Subcommittee -- Men's Lacrosse	
Name	Country
Mark Polden – Subcommittee Chair	Australia
Dennis Mulroney	Australia
Peter Davidson	England
Jasper Van Der Horst	Netherlands
Barbara Zelenay	Germany
Kentaro Shimizu	Japan
Ryan Dutkus	Canada

Officiating Subcommittee – Indoor Lacrosse	
Name	Country
Tony Reid – Subcommittee Chair	Canada
John Szabo	Haudenosaunee
Brent Coulombe	Canada
Kevin Forrester	USA
Michael Leahy	England

Rules Committee	
Name	Country
Brent Nowicki -- Committee Chair	Switzerland
Sachi Yamada	Japan
Ian Ashworth	England
Brent McCauley	Canada

Rules Subcommittee -- Women's Lacrosse	
Name	Country
Sachi Yamada -- Subcommittee Chair	Japan
Jane Lee	Korea
Lauren Charwat	USA
Paul Mollison	Australia
Jordan Trautman	USA
Lorna Powell	Scotland

Rules Subcommittee -- Men's Lacrosse	
Name	Country
Ian Ashworth -- Subcommittee Chair	England
Keith Nyberg	Australia
Mark Polden	Australia
Alex Russell	England
Christian Geschke	Germany
Leigh Augustine	USA

Rules Subcommittee -- Indoor Lacrosse	
Name	Country
Brent McCauley -- Subcommittee Chair	Canada
Sean Gibson	Ireland
Tony Reid	Canada
Jan Martin	Germany
Lucas Heri	Switzerland
Greg Downing	USA

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About World Lacrosse

*World Lacrosse is the international federation for men's and women's lacrosse, responsible for providing effective leadership and governance of the sport internationally while supporting the continued growth of lacrosse worldwide. In November 2018, World Lacrosse was officially recognized by the International Olympic Committee. The President of World Lacrosse is **Sue Redfern** of England.*