

Report of the Audit and Risk Committee (“ARC”) of the Olympic Council of Asia (“OCA”) to the Executive Board for the period from 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024

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Formation and Establishment

The Audit and Risk Committee (ARC) of the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) was formally established as per OCA Constitution; article 24.4 and as per the direction of the OCA Acting President, as outlined in the letter dated 11 May 2024. The Audit Committee Charter was subsequently drafted based on best international practices in audit governance. This Charter was circulated to the ARC Members for review, discussion, and final approval.

Mandate and Activities

The first mandate for the ARC was received from the Acting President on 30 May 2024. The mandate included the following tasks:

- 1) Review of the OCA Financial Statements for the years 2019 to 2023.
- 2) Review of the Internal Audit Reports of OCA for the years 2019 to 2023.
- 3) Reporting any deviations or concerns identified during the reviews.

Meetings Held

1st ARC Meeting – 11 June 2024

The first meeting of the ARC took place at OCA Headquarters in Kuwait. The agenda, which had been pre-circulated to all members, included:

- 1) Introduction of the ARC members. The attached sheet provides a brief about the ARC Members credentials.
- 2) Discussion of the OCA Audit & Risk Committee Charter for final approval.
- 3) Discussion and planning of work related to the first mandate.
- 4) Meetings with OCA Finance Department, OCA’s Internal and External Auditors.

2nd ARC Meeting – 24 June 2024

The 2nd meeting focused on the:

- 1) Approval of the OCA Audit & Risk Committee Charter, which was unanimously endorsed by the ARC members.
- 2) Completion of the tasks outlined in the first mandate. The Committee reviewed the Internal and External Financial reports for the years 2019-2023 and received clarifications on queries addressed to the OCA Finance Department. OCA ARC Committee found no deviations, irregularities, or concerns in the examined financial reports for the specified period.
- 3) Planning for the next meeting to review the OCA Management Accounts for the six months from 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024.

3rd ARC Meeting – 14 August 2024

The agenda for this meeting included:

- 1) Review and discussion of the OCA Accounts as received from OCA Finance Department for the six months from 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024. The ARC members raised queries which were addressed by the OCA Finance Department who provided answers and clarifications.
- 2) Review of the OCA management's decision to establish Investment Fund Deposits with Investcorp in accordance with OCA management's strategy to enhance OCA income through such financial partnerships and as per OCA Rules and Regulations, and the approvals of OCA Finance Committee and other competent OCA bodies.
- 3) A detailed proposal from Investcorp was presented, including an overview of the investment strategy, tenor, and expected returns. The Committee members reviewed the proposal and raised questions, which were answered and clarified by the OCA Finance Department.

Future Actions

The next OCA ARC meeting will focus on the continued review of OCA's financial statements and reports, to ensure its alliance with International Standards, OCA regulations and guidelines. The ARC remains committed to ensuring that OCA's financial governance and risk management practices meet the highest standards.

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Attachments:

- ARC Charter
- ARC Members brief credentials