



International Rafting Federation

Profile of the IRF World Series

Here follows a short outline of what the IRF World Series is. Countries bidding to hold one of these events should bear these points in mind when completing their bid document:

- Name = World Series (or World Rafting Series in non rafting circles). Each event is then called the XXXX Cup, eg Katun Cup, Gore Cup, India Cup, Nile Cup, etc.
- Ideally we'd like one race in each region: Americas, Australasia, Europe/Russia/Baltics, Africa. However, two in one continental region can be considered IF the countries are far enough apart.
- Each event must be open to anyone from any country and there is no qualification procedure other than the paddlers must be able to paddle the grade of river that the event is to be held on.
- The event should ideally follow IRF rules and Regulations.
- It is an event that people who enjoy travelling and competing in rafting can focus on and know it is going to be a good race in a fun location.
- For the local teams it is great exposure to other teams and rafters
- At this early stage it is not about the media and hyping the events but about getting as many teams from as far and wide as possible.
- This Series will allow 4 races a year to be highlighted in the international rafting community by the IRF. Later on this number may be increased to 6.
- One event per region, awarding it to the event that satisfies the IRF's profile for the World Series the best.
- Each team has up to two of its best results per series added together to calculate overall WC rankings, whether R4 or R6.