



# THE UNIVERSITY *of* EDINBURGH

## Academy of Sport

AOS (22/23): Minutes 2  
24 January 2023

**Minutes:** Academy of Sport Board Minutes of Tuesday 24 January 2023 at 10.00am- 11.00am

**Objective:** To report on progress against Road Map for 2022-23.

**To report on the Board discussion of a consideration of what research questions we should be considering in the light of current global and local challenges and contexts?**

**Present:** Jake Barrett; Davies Banda; Liz Grant; Fan Hong; Grant Jarvie; Stuart McDonald; Andrew Murray; Corrinne Reid; Walker Ross; Neil Speirs; Lucia Trimbur; Ross Walker; Paul Widdop; Amy Woodgate; June Yuxun

**Apologies:** David Bell; Oliver Dudfield; Jung-Woo Lee; Bruce Kidd; Justine Mclean; Gavin Reid; Kait Simpson; Wray Vamplew.

### 1 Welcome New Members

The Board noted present, apologies, and welcomed new members.

The Board approved minutes of 19 September 2022 (Paper 1)

### 2 Road Map for 2022-23

The Board discussed and noted progress against Road Map for 2022-23 (Paper 2 Slide Deck)

The Board noted workshops, speakers, events 2022-2023 (Paper 3)

The Board noted an update from Fanalytics Ltd.

### 3 Open Discussion on Research Questions for the immediate future.

The Board held an open discussion on future research questions (open)

**Key Points:**

- To build upon the current *considerable* research strengths of the existing network (people, countries, methods, approach).
- To follow up on opportunities and requests from existing grants and consultancies- i.e., mental health, football/sports data, cultural relations, environment planetary health, Olympics 2024, concussion in sport in the USA.
- To commission ICR Ltd to produce brief on the Value of Sport for Soft Power and Cultural Relations building with a view to using the report to lever larger grants on the horizon.
- To build upon what we currently do and the offering of a niche approach - an ARK of thinking and solutions across countries- make use of bespoke hashtags sporting solutions and sporting outcomes.
- To continue to work with local marginalized communities to enable co-operation and generation of research and widen access to education.

The Board noted updates from members.

#### **4 Any Other Business**

The Board noted no other business

#### **5 End of Year Board Meeting**

- Chair to follow up with Provisional Date and paper to enable the approval of end of year report.