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FOR THE ATTENTION OF:

FISU Family
FISU Member Associations
Participating Delegations in Chengdu 2021 FISU
World University Games

FROM:

Eric Saintrond – FISU Secretary General/CEO

Lausanne, 2 April 2021
Ref: SG/ESA-PSO/2021-70056

Re: Chengdu 2021 FISU World University Games – Postponement

Dear Friends,

The beginning of 2021 has shown that the worldwide context is still uncertain and that we must keep adjusting ourselves. Unfortunately, the COVID-19 pandemic is still present and our efforts to stay safe must continue. As you saw last year, the sanitary crisis had consequences on FISU events, leading to their cancellations or postponement. We did our best to adapt and explore online technologies in order to successfully organise the events that we could save.

As far as our next event is concerned – the Chengdu 2021 FISU World University Games – FISU and the Organising Committee have constantly followed and assessed the situation in order to make the most cautious decision regarding its organisation. Following several meetings, the Organising Committee prepared and presented to FISU a COVID-19 policy with conditions of entry and restrictions imposed by the Chinese national authorities. The proposals were presented to the participating delegations in order to have their feedback.

After careful analysis of the Chinese requirements and the NUSFs' feedback, FISU and its Executive Committee, together with the Organising Committee and the Federation of University Sport of China, have agreed that the FISU World University Games cannot be organised from 18 to 29 August 2021 and will be postponed to 2022. The final dates will be approved at the next FISU Executive Committee meeting in May.



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We regret not being able to organise the FISU Games as foreseen but are sure that this is the right decision in order to ensure the high-level standard of the event and the safety of all participants.

We thank you for your continued support and look forward to going to Chengdu in 2022 to celebrate the next FISU Summer Games.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Saintrond', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Eric Saintrond
FISU Secretary General/CEO

Copy: *FISU Executive Committee*
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