

23 September 2014

Dear Member Associations,  
Cc: Continental Confederation

**BWF International Line Judges – Cycle 2015 to 2018**

BWF are pleased to inform you that the establishment of the BWF Line Judges List continues to be a great success, providing a valuable source of neutral Line Judges for the Olympic Games, BWF Major Events and for some of the BWF World Superseries Tournaments.

Over the last four years, the BWF International Line Judges have shown excellent skills and capacity for hard work and they should be rightly applauded for their positive contribution to improving their standards in this very important technical area of our sport.

BWF is in the process of reviewing and re-nominating the BWF Line Judges for the Cycle 2015 – 2018. Therefore, the Member Associations are requested to put forward nominations to your Continental Confederation. The Continental Confederations will then review the nominations and put forward those most suitable to the BWF, according to the following quota, and ensuring a balance across Member Associations, where appropriate:

- **Asia – 20**
- **Europe – 20**
- **Pan Am – 4**
- **Oceania – 4**
- **Africa – 4**

The quotas are designed to ensure a wide spread of neutral umpires and also to ensure principles of universality.

The BWF Line Judges from the Cycle 2011 – 2014 may well be re-nominated for a second and final four year period. The BWF Line Judges for the Cycle 2013 – 2016 will remain unchanged.

The eligibility of BWF International Line Judges should be according to the criteria below:

- **Less than 65 years of age, retiring at the end of the year of their 65th birthday;**
- **A minimum of five years international experience as Line Judge;**
- **As a minimum, a National umpiring qualification; and**
- **Understand and speak English fluently**

Please return a completed form for each nominee to your appropriate Continental Confederation by **10 November 2014** including any additional information regarding the individuals Line Judges Badminton background, as you see fit.

Please do not hesitate to contact BWF if you have any questions.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Torsten Berg".

**Torsten Berg**  
Chair  
BWF TO Commission