

Belgian Sailing: Jurgen Cluytmans, IM named Sailing Manager of the Year 2021

February 2022 - Belgian Sailing, the Royal Belgian Sailing Federation, presented on Sunday 20 February 2022 their Sailing Awards 2021 in 5 different categories:
Sailor of the Year Woman, Man, Talent, Team and Manager

Sailing Awards back after 1 year of absence

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Belgian Sailing together with its partners WWSV and FFYB decided not to present the Awards for 2020. With 2021 being an Olympic year and 2022 showing some slight improvement in terms of the pandemic, they decided to organise them for 2021 although in a somewhat different format. In order to keep the awards ceremony Covid-proof, no large-scale event was organised and only laureates were invited to receive their award in Ostend, on board of one of the city's attractions and reference for sailors, the former training ship Mercator.

Equipment inspection and measurement... a derailed passtime

The award of Manager of the Year has been presented to Jurgen Cluytmans for his role within World Sailing committees and during the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games. The award is very much appreciated for what Jurgen calls a derailed passtime that very often takes place in the background of major championships but which is the key to fair competition on the highest level.

Next steps

Jurgen has in the meantime been appointed by World Sailing as Chair of the Technical Committee for the Paris 2024 Olympic sailing competition.

Belgian Sailing is the link between the regional federations WWSV (Wind & Watersport Vlaanderen) and FFYB (Fédération Francophone du Yachting Belge) and World Sailing (the world governing body for the sport of sailing, officially recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC)).

Belgian Sailing is also a member of the European Sailing Federation (EUROSAF) and the Belgian National Olympic Committee (BOIC), where it represents and promotes the interests of its active and associated members. It is also responsible for:

- the application, supervision and enforcement of the international rules and regulations for competitive sailing;
- the selection of athletes for participation in international competitions on the recommendation of its members;
- the recognition of national classes;
- the awarding of the right to organise Belgian Championships and the enforcement of the related regulations;
- the promotion and development of the sport;
- the development of the Racing Rules of Sailing and regulations for the different sailing competitions;
- the training and development of national race officials;
- the representation of sailors in all matters concerning the sport.

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