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To providers of regatta software

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Partnering for a modern regatta software: Seeking a strategic partner

The German Rowing Federation (DRV) is seeking a strategic partner to advance the digitalization of regatta management. Our goal is to provide modern and cost-efficient regatta software that can be utilized by our members for organizing regattas.

With over 83,000 members across 600 clubs, the DRV is one of the most successful sports federations in Germany. Our members organize approximately 120 regattas annually at various levels of competition.

As part of our digitalization initiative, we have modernized fundamental administrative activities in recent years and transitioned them to applications developed by strategic partners. This includes the introduction of a management software for general federational administrative tasks and the development of a new entry portal for managing regatta entries within the DRV.

To further improve regatta management, our Digitalization Working Group has been repeatedly approached about supporting the actual execution of regattas. Unlike the registration process, which is managed centrally by the DRV, the execution of regattas is the responsibility of the respective organizers and has not been supported by central measures so far.

Due to the high effort required to develop suitable regatta software and the limited financial resources of the organizers, targeted support and promotion from the DRV has been requested.

To facilitate this, the Digitalization Working Group, in close collaboration with the Events & Umpiring Commission, is evaluating the selection of a regatta software provider as a strategic partner. This partnership aims to consolidate limited resources to efficiently provide a modern solution integrated into relevant existing systems, available to all regatta organizers at reasonable costs, regardless of their size.

During this evaluation, we will engage with interested software providers to explore potential cooperation scenarios. Various aspects will be analyzed, including acquisition and operating costs, functionality, support availability, and the possibility of a sustainable and long-term professional partnership.

Interested providers can contact us **by April 20th** at tobias.weystes@rudern.de.

Best regards,

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