

## Letter of Recommendation



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To whom it may concern,

On behalf of the Chinese Mountaineering Association, I would like to recommend Mr. Li Guowei (Male, Chinese, Director of the Sport climbing Department) to serve as an IFSC Asian Board member. I believe he is one of the most suitable candidates in Asia, and the Chinese Mountaineering Association fully recognizes his professional capabilities and personal qualities.

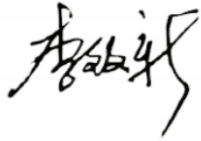
I have known Mr. Li Guowei for 25 years. Over the years, we have worked together to promote the popularization of sport climbing globally, in Asia and in China. He has been fully involved in and witnessed the entire process of the IFSC, from its establishment as an international organization, to its recognition by the International Olympic Committee, and finally to sport climbing becoming an official Olympic event. He has visited more than 30 countries and regions around the world and has maintained good connections with the member of the IFSC.

He served as the Event Director of the IFSC Asian Council and actively contributed ideas to the development of sport climbing in Asia. Since 2016, he has been responsible for the organization and popularization of sport climbing events in China, during which his outstanding organizational and management skills as well as innovative capabilities have been fully demonstrated. The venue design and competition organization of the sport climbing event at the 19th Asian Games held in China, which he was in charge of, were highly praised by President Marco Scolaris. For the Olympic Qualification Series (OQS) held in Shanghai, China, President Thomas Bach of the International Olympic Committee visited the site several times to watch the competition and gave high praise. He pioneered the establishment of the world's first national - level sport climbing league in China, which has been continuously operating for 7 years, contributing to the cultivation of reserve talents and the development of the sport climbing industry.

In addition to his broad international vision, excellent organizational skills, and forward - looking innovation capabilities, Mr. Li Guowei has been dedicated to the field of sport climbing for two decades. He keeps learning and dares to take on

challenges. I believe he will become an outstanding Asian board member of the IFSC.

I strongly recommend him to be elected as an IFSC Asian Board member. If you need any further information, please feel free to contact me.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the Chinese characters '李志欣' (Li Zhixin).

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