TU/e STUDENTS’ FINANCIAL SUPPORT (PROFILERINGSFONDS) REGULATIONS
2014-2015

Article 1 Structure
These Regulations consist of the following sections:

Section I: General
Section II: Conditions, duration and extent of financial support
Section III: Procedure
Section IV: Transitional and final provisions.

SECTION I General

Article 2 Definitions
The following definitions apply in these Regulations:

WHW Higher Education and Research Act;
WSF 2000 Student Grants and Loans Act 2000;
DUO-IB-Groep Dienst Uitvoering Onderwijs (organization for student grants and loans)
credits: credits as referred to in Article 7.4 of the WHW;
STU Education and Student Service Centre of Eindhoven University of Technology;
financial support graduation allowance, administrative grant;
mixed financial assistance financial assistance for students on the basis of Articles 15 to 16a and/or Section 3 of the WSF 2000;
nominal duration of study the statutory duration of the study program;
nominal study progress obtaining 60 credits per academic year;
performance grant student a student who first received financial assistance for a program of higher education after August 31, 1996;
student a person enrolled as a student in a full-time or dual study program at Eindhoven University of Technology, who is or has been entitled to financial assistance, and whose main enrollment is at the TU/e;
foreign student a person who does not have Dutch nationality, who is enrolled as a student in a full-time study program at Eindhoven University of Technology and is not entitled to financial assistance;
federation annual meeting the annual process of consultation between the STU and the study, social, sports, cultural and other associations of students;
academic year the period starting on September 1 and ending on August 31 of the following year;
TU/e Eindhoven University of Technology;
transition program a program for students who do not have a Bachelor’s degree that corresponds to their intended Master’s program. The transition program enables them to make up shortfalls so that they can be admitted to the Master’s program;

condensed program the condensed program for Higher Professional Education (HBO) graduates within a Bachelor’s degree program and the subsequent Master’s program.

Article 3 Purpose of these Regulations
Article 7.51 of the WHW specifies that students are granted financial support on the basis of the profileringsfonds if they experience delays in their studies as a consequence of exceptional circumstances or if they are eligible for financial support for other reasons (as referred to in Article 6, paragraph 1, under f and g).

Article 4 General provisions
1. To be eligible for financial support, students must comply with the conditions and procedures included in these Regulations.
2. Students who enroll at the TU/e as a ‘second program’ (secondary enrollment) will not receive financial support.
3. A student cannot apply for financial support from both the profileringsfonds and DUO-IB-Groep for the same circumstances.

Article 5 Exceptional circumstances in which a student may be eligible for financial support
1. Financial support on the basis of the profileringsfonds comprises a graduation allowance, an administrative grant.
2. Exceptional circumstances on the basis of which a student may be eligible for a graduation allowance include:
   a. illness;
   b. physical, sensory or other disabilities;
   c. pregnancy and giving birth;
   d. exceptional family circumstances;
   e. membership of a Program Committee, the University Council or the Departmental Council, or student advisory membership of a Departmental Board, which are specified in Appendix 1;
   f. an insufficiently manageable program;
   g. a delay in study resulting from participation in sport at the top level.
3. Exceptional circumstances on the basis of which a student may be eligible for an administrative grant include:
   a. membership of the board of a student organization with a sufficient number of members and with full legal authority,
   b. activities of an administrative or social nature which the Executive Board considers also to be in the interest of the university or the program that the student is following.
4. Foreign students are eligible for a graduation allowance in case of illness.
5. In cases as referred to in paragraph 2, b to g, foreign students can, at the discretion of the student counselor, be eligible for a graduation allowance, if they comply with the remaining requirements of these Regulations.
6. Foreign students are entitled to an administrative grant in accordance with paragraph 3, as long as they meet the relevant requirements.
7. If a request for financial support submitted on the basis of circumstances other than those specified in paragraphs 2 and 3 is not granted by the Executive Board and this would lead to a situation of significant unfairness, said circumstances could also be seen as reason for granting financial support.

SECTION II  Conditions, duration and extent of financial support

Article 6.1  Conditions for financial support
1. Students are eligible for a graduation allowance if they:
   a. are enrolled in a program for which they have not yet been awarded a degree and for which they have to pay the statutory tuition fee, and
   b. as a consequence of exceptional circumstances, cannot complete all or part of the program, and
   c. are or have been entitled to mixed financial assistance for that program, and
   d. are actually studying at the TU/e, and
   e. during the period in which they receive mixed financial assistance, have experienced or expect to experience a delay in their studies as a result of exceptional circumstances, or
   f. are enrolled in a Master’s program which the Executive Board has decided is worth more than 120 credits, or
   g. are enrolled in a program which has not been re-accredited and for which they have not yet been awarded a degree.

The conditions of having to pay the statutory tuition fee and being or having been entitled to financial assistance do not apply to foreign students.
2. Students are not entitled to a graduation allowance if their studies are delayed by less than one month.
3. Students are only eligible for a graduation allowance, as referred to in this article, if at the time of applying for the allowance they are enrolled in a full-time or dual program at the TU/e with the aim of successfully completing the final examination of a program of study at the TU/e.
4. The previous three paragraphs also apply to students taking the transition program to prepare for a Master’s program. Full-time students enrolled in a condensed program may also claim an allowance from the graduation fund if they no longer qualify for mixed financial assistance and if they have exceeded the nominal duration of study of the condensed program due to exceptional circumstances.
5. Students who have previously participated in a program of study at another institute of higher education, as specified in the appendix to the WHW under a to g, and who have previously received a graduation allowance or would have received it if they had applied for it, are also entitled to a graduation allowance.

Article 7.1  Recognized months for financial support
1. A delay in study progress caused by exceptional circumstances, as referred to in Article 5, paragraphs 2 and 3, is expressed in terms of 'recognized months'. Students can only receive financial support for recognized months.

2. In determining the number of recognized months, account is taken of the duration of the exceptional circumstances, the actual delay in study progress given the program schedule, and the time required for the student to make up the lost time.

3. Study delays are expressed in whole months.

4. In the case of exceptional circumstances as specified in Article 5, paragraph 2, under a, b, d and f, and Article 5, paragraph 3, under a and b, and Article 5, paragraphs 4 and 5, the number of recognized months is assessed on a case-by-case basis.

5. In the case of exceptional circumstances as specified in Article 5, paragraph 2, under c, e and g, and Article 5, paragraph 3, the number of recognized months is assessed on a case-by-case basis, but is restricted to a maximum:
   - in the case of the exceptional circumstances specified in Article 5, paragraph 2, under c, the maximum is four months;
   - in the case of the exceptional circumstances specified in Article 5, paragraph 2, under e, the maximum numbers of months are specified in Appendix 1;
   - in the case of the exceptional circumstances specified in Article 5, paragraph 2, under g, the maximum period is 12 months;
   - in the case of the exceptional circumstances specified in Article 5, paragraph 3, the maximum recognized period per organization will be set before September 1st of the current year during the federation annual meeting, as specified in Appendix 2, taking into account the maximum of nine months per administrative function.

6. The period of a graduation allowance for a student enrolled in a Master’s program, as referred to in Article 6, paragraph 1, under f, is the period during which the study load exceeds 120 credits.

7. The maximum number of months to be recognized for a student enrolled in a program as referred to in Article 6, paragraph 1, under g, is twelve.

**Article 8.1 Supplementary conditions for a graduation allowance**

**Reporting and limiting delays in study progress**

1. In the case of a delay in study progress, as referred to in Article 5, paragraph 2, under a, b, c, d and f, the student concerned – if he or she decides to continue studying – must directly or indirectly inform the academic advisor of the program or a student counselor at the STU as soon as possible after the circumstances concerned occur, and in any case within five months, to discuss what measures need to be taken to limit the delay as much as possible.

If the exceptional circumstances last longer than five months, reporting them later (i.e. after the five months) will have the following consequences:

   a. if the delay in study progress is reported after the five-month period, but the exceptional circumstances are still occurring, the student will not receive an allowance from the graduation fund for delays experienced in the period preceding the five months before the delay is reported;
b. if the delay in study progress is reported after the five-month period and the exceptional circumstances are no longer occurring, an allowance from the graduation fund is only possible for a maximum period of five months.

In any case, students are obliged to do everything within their power to avoid and limit the extent of delays in study progress.

2. The obligation to report delays in study progress, as referred to in paragraph 1, does not apply to students with a chronic functional impairment. These students must report their functional impairment on their enrollment form. If they have not done so, they are expected to report any delays in their study progress as soon as possible, in any case within five months. The final sentence of the previous paragraph applies accordingly.

**Article 8.2 Supplementary conditions for a graduation allowance: compulsory consultation with the STU student counselor**

Students who are unable to participate in education for a period of two months or more as a result of exceptional circumstances as specified in Article 5, paragraph 2, under a, b or d, are obliged to consult the student counselor:

a. within two months of the exceptional circumstances' starting, regarding the possibility of suspending their enrollment;

b. no later than two weeks before February 1st of the academic year, regarding the possibility of making use of the ‘February 1st scheme’, as referred to in Article 5.10 of the WSF 2000.

**Article 9 Supplementary conditions for administrative grants**

1. The number of recognized months for an administrative grant, as referred to in Article 5, paragraph 3, under a and b, for each academic year is a minimum of one and a maximum of nine. Each of the organizations referred to in Appendix 2 specifies how many months are required to perform each administrative function; this can be changed in exceptional circumstances in consultation with the student counselor.

2. Students who perform more than one administrative function as referred to in Article 5, paragraph 3, under a and b, and Article 5, paragraph 2, under e, in one academic year cannot receive financial support for more than nine months. Students who perform more than one administrative function over a period longer than one academic year can be granted financial support for a maximum of fourteen months over the total period of their enrollment.

3. To be eligible for financial support based on the performance of an administrative function, as referred to in Article 5, paragraph 3, under a and b, a student must have already passed the propaedeutic examination at the time the administrative function starts and, in the years preceding the academic year in which he or she wishes to perform an administrative function and, if applicable, in the preceding period in the academic year concerned, must have achieved an average of at least 75% of the nominal study progress. In determining this study progress, periods of delay caused by exceptional circumstances for which the student has received a graduation allowance or an extension of the performance grant by DUO-IB-Groep are not taken into account.
4. For students on transition programs who cannot pass the propaedeutic examination, and for students who transfer directly to the Master's program, the same criteria apply for study progress as specified in paragraph 4 of this article. In addition, these students must have obtained at least 20 credits in the period preceding the month on which they start performing their administrative function.

5. A study progress requirement applies during the period that the administrative function, as referred to in Article 5, paragraph 3, under a and b, is being performed. Students who enrolled in an old-style Bachelor's degree program before September 1st, 2012 and students on a Master's degree program are required to obtain at least 12 credits during a 12-month period of administrative duties.

6. Students who enrolled in a new-style Bachelor's degree program on or after September 1st, 2012 in accordance with the Bachelor College are required to obtain at least 15 credits during a 12-month period of administrative duties.

7. For students who need to obtain 12 credits or less (15 credits or less for Bachelor College students) in order to qualify for the Bachelor's or Master's degree certificate, the study progress requirement is the remaining number of credits.

8. There is no progress requirement for students who have made nominal study progress and who do not have to obtain any further credits as of September 1st in order to qualify for the Bachelor's or Master's degree certificate, provided that they subsequently enroll in a Master's degree program. The right to an administrative grant lapses upon re-enrollment in a Bachelor's degree program.

9. Students who will be taking on administrative duties for a period of less than 12 months should make an appointment with the student counselor before the administrative duties commence. A new study progress requirement will be determined in consultation with the student counselor, in proportion to the administrative duties to be undertaken.

10. A student taking a competency-based degree program should make an appointment with the student counselor before the administrative duties commence. A new or alternative study progress requirement will be determined in consultation with the student counselor, in proportion to the administrative duties to be undertaken.

**Article 10 Supplementary conditions for top-level athletes**

1. Students who are recognized as top-level athletes and who genuinely practice or have practiced sport at this level during their period of study may be eligible for a graduation allowance.

2. Students are considered to be top-level athletes if they meet the requirements specified in Article 6, practice sport at top level during the period in which they receive financial assistance (including mixed financial assistance) and, on the basis of a statement from the Dutch Olympic Committee/Dutch Sport Federation (NOC*NSF) or the regional Olympic network, are classified as A, B, HP, IT, NT, ‘Belofte’, RS or RJ status athletes. Appendix 3 explains these statuses in greater detail.
**Article 11.1  Extent of financial support**

1. The extent of the financial support is equal to the assistance which the recipient receives in accordance with chapter 3 of the WSF 2000, or would have received if he or she had taken advantage or been able to take advantage of that possibility. For foreign students the support is equal to the basic grant for students not living at home per recognized month.

2. If a student applying for an administrative grant after the end of the academic year in which the administrative function was performed failed to satisfy the study progress requirement during that period, the amount of the financial allowance payable is determined in proportion to the administrative duties undertaken.

3. The financial support is provided in the form of a donation. The amount of the support is based on the financial assistance received by the recipient at the time he or she applies for financial support.

4. If the recipient no longer receives financial assistance at the time of the application, the provisions of paragraph 1 of this article will apply accordingly.

5. The financial support is provided for a number of months equal to the number of recognized months.

**SECTION III  Procedure**

**Article 12.1  Application procedure: graduation allowance**

1. Applications for a graduation allowance, excluding allowances relating to top-level sport, must be submitted to the STU and addressed to the Executive Board, using the application form provided.

2. Proof of receipt will be sent to the applicant within two weeks.

3. Applications received after December 31st of the academic year following the year in which the exceptional circumstances concerned occurred, as referred to in Article 5, paragraph 2, under a to d and f, will not be processed, unless the applicant can prove that he or she was not able to submit an application due to circumstances beyond his or her control.

4. The following documents must be submitted with the application:
   a1. if the application relates to one of the reasons referred to in Article 5, paragraph 2, under a, b and c: a statement from a (treating) physician, psychologist or obstetrician, specifying when the relevant circumstances took place.
   a2. if the application relates to exceptional family circumstances (Article 5, paragraph 2, under d): documentary evidence of those circumstances.
   a3. if the application relates to one of the reasons referred to Article 5, paragraph 2, under e: a statement from a Program Committee, the University Council, the Departmental Council or, in case of student advisory membership, the Departmental Board, specifying the period in which the student was a member (or, in the case of the Departmental Board, a student advisory member) thereof.
   a4. if the application relates to a program that cannot reasonably be completed within the nominal duration of study (Article 5, paragraph 2, under f): an explanation by the student.
b. if applicable, proof that the applicant has made use of one of the options referred to in Article 8.2 of these Regulations.
c. a statement from DUO-IB-Groep specifying the amount of financial assistance received by the applicant at the time of the application.

5. Depending on the circumstances, and with the student’s permission, the STU may, in a situation as referred to in paragraph 4, under a1, request additional information from the doctor, psychologist or obstetrician concerned.

6. If an application is incomplete, the applicant has a period of four weeks to provide the required information. If the application is not completed within that period, it will not be processed. The applicant will be informed of this by the STU.

**Article 12.2 Application procedure: graduation allowance relating to top-level sport**

1. Applications for a graduation allowance should be submitted to the STU and addressed to the Executive Board, using the application form provided.
2. Proof of receipt will be sent to the applicant within two weeks.
3. The application should be submitted at the time when the student engaged in top-level sport intends to make use of the financial support or as long before that as the student wishes.
4. The following documents must be submitted with the application:
   a. a statement from the NOC*NSF, or the regional Olympic network, or the CTO (Center for Top-level Sport and Education) regarding the student’s status.
   b. a statement from DUO-IB-Groep specifying the amount of financial assistance received by the applicant at the time of the application.
5. If the statement referred to in paragraph 4, under a, of this article is missing, the student counselor can ask the advice of the director of the TU/e Sports Center.
6. If an application is incomplete, the applicant has a period of four weeks to provide the required information. If the application is not completed within that period, it will not be processed. The applicant will be informed of this by the STU.

**Article 12.3 Application procedure: administrative grants**

1. An application for an administrative grant, as referred to in Article 5, paragraph 3, under a and b, should be submitted to the STU and addressed to the Executive Board, using the application form provided.
2. Proof of receipt will be sent to the applicant within two weeks.
3. Applications must be submitted before May 1st of the academic year in which the administrative function is performed.
4. The following documents must be submitted with the application:
   a. a statement from the relevant board or body specifying the period in which the administrative function was performed (also to be specified on the application form).
   b. a statement from DUO-IB-Groep specifying the amount of financial assistance received by the applicant at the time of the application.
5. If an application is incomplete, the applicant has a period of four weeks to provide the required information. If the application is not completed within
that period, it will not be processed. The applicant will be informed of this by the STU.

Article 12.4 Application procedure: allowance in connection with a membership as specified in Article 5, paragraph 2, under e
1. An application for an allowance in connection with a membership, as referred to in Article 5, paragraph 2, under e, should be submitted to the STU and addressed to the Executive Board, using the application form provided.
2. Proof of receipt will be sent to the applicant within two weeks.
3. Applications must be submitted within two months after the end of the membership as specified in Article 5, paragraph 2, under e.
4. The following documents must be submitted with the application:
   a. a statement from the chairperson of the relevant Program Committee, the University Council or the Departmental Council, or a statement from the Departmental Board if the student is/was a student advisory member.
   b. a statement from DUO-IB-Groep specifying the amount of financial assistance received by the applicant at the time of the application.
5. If an application is incomplete, the applicant has a period of four weeks to provide the required information. If the application is not completed within that period, it will not be processed. The applicant will be informed of this by the STU.

Article 13 Assessment of applications
1. When assessing an application based on the exceptional circumstances referred to in Article 5, paragraph 2, under a or d, if the student has been unable to take part in the study program for more than two months as a result of these exceptional circumstances, it will be determined whether the student has made use of the possibility to terminate his or her enrollment for the academic year concerned; if the student has not made use of this possibility, the application can be partially or completely rejected on these grounds.
2. When assessing an application for a graduation allowance based on the exceptional circumstances referred to in Article 5, paragraph 2, under a and b, if the requirements are met it will be determined whether the student has made use of the possibility to extend the duration of his or her financial assistance; if the student has not made use of this possibility, this option must first be explored before the application for a graduation allowance is further assessed.
3. If an application is submitted on the basis of the exceptional circumstances referred to in Article 5, paragraph 2, under f, the advice of the director of the program concerned must be obtained before the application is assessed. This advice will be provided in writing and submitted to the STU.
4. If a graduation allowance is requested in connection with the practice of top-level sport, the advice of the director of the TU/e Sports Center may be requested, depending on the status of the student concerned. This advice will be provided in writing and submitted to the STU. In the event of a consultation between the director of the TU/e Sports Center and the student a report of that meeting will also be sent to the STU.
5. In the event of an application for an allowance from the graduation fund the student counselor will check whether the student has reported the delay in study progress, as specified in Article 8.2 of these Regulations.
6. In the event of an application for an administrative grant, the student counselor checks:
   a. whether the student has a propaedeutic certificate or – if he/she does not have a propaedeutic certificate – whether the student's results show that he or she has successfully completed the propaedeutic examination.
   b. whether the student has achieved an average of at least 75% of the nominal study progress.
   c. whether the student has met the study progress requirement with respect to the number of credits obtained after completion of the academic year in which the administrative function was performed.
7. Paragraph 6a of this article does not apply to students on the condensed program. For these students the student counselor checks whether they have obtained a minimum of 20 credits in the period before the month in which they start performing their administrative function.

Article 14  Decision-making
1. Decisions on submitted applications, including decisions relating to admissibility as referred to Articles 12.1, paragraph 6, 12.2, paragraph 6, 12.3, paragraph 5, 12.4, paragraph 5 of these Regulations, are taken on behalf of the Executive Board by specially designated and authorized student counselors of the STU, after which the applicant is informed of the decision. This will occur in writing within eight weeks of the application being submitted.
2. The decision will entail either that:
   a. a graduation allowance will be allocated for a specified period, or
   b. the application has been rejected, or
   c. the application will not be processed because it was not submitted in time or because it was incomplete and the additional information was not submitted in time.
3. If the application for a graduation allowance is granted, the student will be provided with the financial support as soon as possible, unless he or she has indicated that they wish to receive the support at another specified time.
4. Administrative grants are generally paid after the academic year in which the administrative function was performed has come to an end.
5. If the application is rejected, the student will first receive a notification of the intention to reject.

Article 15  Objection
The applicant may submit an objection to the decision referred to in Article 14 within six weeks of being notified of the decision by sending a letter of objection to the Executive Board.

SECTION IV  Transitional and final provisions

Article 16  Transitional provision
If the scope and duration of any agreements made earlier are more favorable for the student than any agreements made on the basis of these Regulations or any future modifications thereof, these will remain valid and unchanged.

**Article 17  Date of commencement**

These Regulations come into force on September 1st, 2014, and may be referred to as the *Profileringsfonds* Regulations 2013-2015.

Hereby approved by the Executive Board at its meeting of February 20th, 2014, after receiving the consent of the University Council.
Appendix 1 – Membership as referred to in Article 5, paragraph 2, under e

F = Maximum number of functions per year that are eligible for a graduation allowance
M = Maximum number of recognized months for a graduation allowance per administrative function per academic year

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* = per department/program
Appendix 2 – Student organizations as referred to in Article 5, paragraph 3

**FSE (study associations):**
The months may be divided among the executive committees of:
- FSE (federation board)
- Cheops
- Lucid
- Thor
- J.D. van der Waals
- Simon Stevin
- J.P. Minckelers
- Protagoras
- Intermates
- Industria
- GEWIS

**Compositum (social associations):**
The months may be divided among the executive committees of:
- Demos
- ESC
- SSRE

**ESSF (sports associations):**
The months may be divided among the executive committees of:
- ESSF (federation board)
- Theta (rowing)
- Hajraa (volleyball)
- Hajraa outdoor tournament
- Fellenoord (tennis)
- Totelos (indoor soccer)
- Asterix (athletics)
- Pusphaira (soccer)
- Nayade (swimming and water polo)

**Scala (cultural associations):**
The months may be divided among the executive committees of:
- Scala (federation board)
- Quadrivium (music)
- Doppio (theater)
- Footloose (dance)

**Other:**
The months may be divided among the executive committees of:
- BEST + AEGEE (internationalization)
- Wervingsdagen + Bouwkunde Bedrijven Dagen (recruitment)
- Integrand + UniPartners Eindhoven (students and work)
Appendix 3 – Explanation of the NOC*NSF and Olympic network statuses referred to in Article 10

National status (A – B – HP – IT – NT – ‘Belofte’)
National status is determined by the sports association to which an athlete is affiliated. On the basis of a talent profile drawn up in cooperation with the NOC*NSF, the sports association determines which athletes are eligible for national status. It passes their names on to the NOC*NSF, which enters them into a national database.

A national status is valid for a limited period, which varies for each branch of sport. If a national status changes (i.e. is raised, lowered or discontinued), the athletes concerned are informed by e-mail. Athletes should therefore be aware that their sports associations can modify their national status at any time.

National status for seniors
International seniors and seniors who are at least among the best in the Netherlands

A status Criteria
- Athletes who are members of a senior squad
- Athletes whose performances are at least among the top eight in the world
- Athletes who compete in category 1 top-level sport

B status Criteria
- Athletes who are members of a senior squad
- Athletes whose performances are at least among the top sixteen in the world
- Athletes who compete in category 1 top-level sport

HP status
Athletes with exceptionally good prospects of ranking among the top eight in the world in the near future and good prospects of reaching the top three in the world Athletes who compete in category 1 top-level sport

National Youth status
The following statuses apply to young athletes who have not yet reached ‘senior’ age (usually18 years old):
Athletes (juniors) who compete at least at the highest national level in their age category

IT: International talent Criteria:
- International top-16 individual or member of top-10 team in the Seniors -1 age group
- World ranking in the top 16 in the Seniors -1 age group
- Member of national squad
- Athletes who compete in category 1 top-level sport

**NT: National talent**  
**Criteria:**
- International top-16 individual or top-10 team member in the Seniors - 1 or Seniors -2 age group
- Member of national squad
- Athletes who compete in category 1 top-level sport

**‘Belofte’ (promising talent) Criteria:**
- Member of national squad
- In national top 5 for age group
- Athletes who compete in category 1 top-level sport

**Regional status (RS – RJ)**  
Regional status is determined on the basis of criteria drawn up jointly by the Olympic Network and the sports associations.

**RS: Regional Talent senior**  
Athletes (seniors) who are at least among the best in the Netherlands  

**Criteria:**
- Athletes who are members of the national squad for their association
- Athletes who compete in world championships on an individual basis
- Athletes who compete in the highest national competition for seniors
- Athletes who compete in European or world (junior) championships
- Athletes who compete in category 1 or 2 top-level sport

**RJ: Regional Talent junior**  
Athletes (juniors) who are among the best in their age group at regional level.

**Criteria:**
- Athletes who compete in the highest national competition for juniors
- Athletes who are members of the regional squad for their association
- Athletes who are members of district squads
- Athletes who are trained at talent centers recognized by the association
- Athletes who compete in category 1 or 2 of top-level sport