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Dear President,
Dear General Secretary,

RIOU's Master of Sport Administration (MSA) programme

The International Tennis Federation and the Russian International Olympic University (RIOU) have signed a Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) with the joint aim of promoting the importance of education in the tennis family, the Olympic Movement and the wider sports industry.

The ITF is the first summer Olympic international federation to sign a MoC with RIOU.

Under the terms of the agreement, 10 articles of cooperation have been established, underpinned by three objectives, which are to:

- Develop bilateral cooperation;
- Support science and education in the Olympic Movement and sports world;
- Exchange knowledge in order to contribute effectively to the successful training of highly qualified staff for the sports industry.

The ITF would like to nominate one candidate to receive a scholarship to RIOU, offered by the *Vladimir Potanin Foundation* for the academic year 2017-18.

We kindly ask whether your National Association would like to nominate a candidate to apply for this scholarship.

All applicants must have a higher education qualification, fluency in the English language (both verbal and written), a background in tennis, motivation to enhance their professional competence and the intention to develop a career in tennis administration.

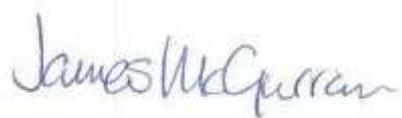
Applicants must send a cover letter and Curriculum Vitae to james.mcgurran@itftennis.com prior to **31 May 2017**. The successful candidate will be contacted shortly after that date.

The ITF candidate will be enrolled in the RIOU's Master of Sport Administration (MSA) programme based at the university's campus in Sochi, Russia. The MSA course focuses on providing quality taught lessons delivered by world acclaimed professors and administrators and exposing students to practice-oriented training.

Through the completion of 5 modules each focusing on a specific area of sport management and administration, students will learn how to effectively manage sports venues, clubs, financial and information flows in sport and how to build appropriate marketing strategies.

Further information on the content and structure of the programme can be found here:
<http://www.olympicuniversity.ru/en/web/msa-eng1/faq>.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James McGurran". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and 'M'.

James McGurran

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