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DECISION No DEC-III. 6/120-VI /2024

REVISING THE RULES FOR THE IOC'S INTERNATIONAL EXTRA VIRGIN OLIVE OIL COMPETITION – THE MARIO SOLINAS QUALITY AWARD – NORTHERN HEMISPHERE

THE COUNCIL OF MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL OLIVE COUNCIL,

Having regard to the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives, 2015, and in particular Article 1 "Objectives of the Agreement" relating to standardisation and research concerning the harmonisation of national and international legislation;

Having regard to the Decision of the Council of Members for the establishment of the Mario Solinas Quality Award, an international competition which rewards the best extra virgin olive oils since the 2000/2001 crop year selected by an international jury for each category;

Having regard to Decision No DEC-III.4/118-VI/2023 of 23 November 2023 adopting the rules of the 24th edition of the Mario Solinas Quality Award;

Considering the importance olive oil professionals attach to the international recognition of their efforts to market extra virgin olive oils with organoleptic qualities, which is precisely the objective of the Mario Solinas Quality Award;

Considering the unanimous proposal made by the experts in organoleptic assessment at their meeting on 25 and 26 September 2024 to revise the rules of the Mario Solinas Quality Award in the northern hemisphere;

DECIDES

1. To revise the rules of the Mario Solinas Quality Award for the 2025 edition.
2. To adopt the revised rules of the Mario Solinas Quality Award (COI/T.30/Doc. No. 27 of November 2024) for the 2025 edition annexed to this Decision.
3. This Decision cancels and abrogates Decision No DEC-III.4/118-VI /2023 adopted by the Council of Members on 23 November 2023.

Madrid (Spain), 20 November 2024

Javad Mir Arabrazi
Chair of the International Olive Council