



# Anti-Racism & Discrimination in Sport Resolution

Geneva, 28 March 2023

1. The International Day for the Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade, observed on 25 March 2023, honors the millions of Africans who were forcibly taken from their homes and families to be sold into slavery. This day provided an opportunity to reflect on the continued impact of slavery and the need for greater efforts towards its eradication.
2. The sporting industry, like many other industries, has a long history of benefiting from the labor of enslaved individuals. Many sports were built on the backs of enslaved people who were forced to perform physically demanding tasks with little regard for their wellbeing. This history of exploitation and oppression is not fully eradicated from the sporting industry today, impacting the lives and opportunities of many who suffer at the hands of human traffickers.
3. Espousing the views expressed by the SIGA GRID Committee, the SIGA Members, gathered at their General Assembly, consider that the impact of slavery and the transatlantic slave trade extends far beyond the historical context. The systemic racism and inequality that persist today are rooted in this history of exploitation and oppression.
4. It is our responsibility, as members of the sporting industry, to use our global platform and influence to advocate for change and promote inclusivity and diversity. By acknowledging the impact of slavery and the transatlantic slave trade on the sporting industry and committing to the SIGA Universal Standards on Good Governance in Sport, and on Youth Development and Protection in Sport, we can work towards creating an equitable and just future for all individuals and organizations involved in Sport.
5. We therefore call on all like-minded organizations and individuals to continue to honor the memory of those who suffered under slavery and work collaboratively towards creating a just, accessible, and equitable world for all, free from racism and all forms of negative discrimination.