

Massive financial boost for Danish rowing

Danish Rowing press release

January 2015

The Danish Rowing Federation is set offer its national team rowers world class training facilities thanks to a massive financial deal which has been agreed with the A.P.Møller Fund.

The Federation have, for a long period, had high hopes of renewing and refurbishing the National Rowing Stadium at Lake Bagsværd in Copenhagen and now those ambitions can be fulfilled thanks to a generous donation of no less than around 6,7 million EUROS.

The total amount for a new rowing stadium is set to be around 12 million EUROS and the rest of the money for the extensive project will be contributed from the local municipalities.

“We are extremely grateful to the A.P.Møller Fund for the generous donation,” says Chairman of the Danish Rowing Federation, Henning Bay. “Thanks to that donation our dreams and ambitions can now be fulfilled. We also owe a big thank you for Team Denmark and the municipalities for their continued support in this project. We are also extremely grateful for the many volunteers with insight into training environment, nature and architecture, who through the last 25 years have spent many hours on drawings and drafts. All in all we have now taken the first step towards realizing our goals for finishing first at the Olympic Games in Tokyo in 2020,” says Henning Bay.

The Chairman of Team Danmark (The organisation to promote elite sports in Denmark) and Mayor of Copenhagen, Frank Jensen, is overjoyed that that project is now is set to get under way. “It has been an ambition for many years to improve the unique elite environment at the Rowing Centre at Lake Bagsværd. Rowing is a sport where Denmark is among the best in the world and the realisation of this project now means that we can offer world class training facilities for our elite rowers,” says Jensen.

The extensive project is set to get under way in the autumn of 2016 after the World Masters Regatta has taken place in Copenhagen.

Translation thanks to Svend Bertil Frandsen