

## Memorandum

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Subject:	Individual Opportunity – AIS Athlete Accelerate Program (closing 18/2/24)

Please note that this is not a grant funding opportunity, rather a program that provides career and personal development opportunities to retired women athletes.

The AIS Athlete Accelerate Program (closing 28/2) provides a <u>unique experience for retired women athletes who are pursuing career options in the sport sector</u>. The program has a career and personal development focus and provides opportunities to acquire knowledge, skills and tools to navigate a professional career in sport.

To be eligible, female applicants must be a

- 18 years or over;
- an Australian citizen or have been granted permanent residence status;
- a retired, former podium level (ready, potential or podium) categorised athlete and/or a national team representative of a recognised funded sport; and
- available for all program dates (online or in person depending on the session) between March and July 2024 (all program dates are listed in the guidelines).

Surf Life Saving is a recognised funded sport; women who were national team representative of Surf Life Saving and are pursuing a career in the sport sector may be considered.

## **Key Points:**

- Applicants should have their CV ready before commencing the application.
- Participants need to, where possible, identify a sponsor currently employed within the sports sector to support the application. A sponsor is someone in a senior leadership role who can influence and advocate on behalf of the applicant.
- Where a session is an in person residential experience, all travel costs will be covered for the successful applicant.

Applications close 18/02/24 with applicants expected to be notified of their outcome by 28/02/24.

The application and guidelines can be accessed from the below website. We encourage you to read these before applying: <a href="https://www.ais.gov.au/career-and-education/ais-athlete-accelerate-program">https://www.ais.gov.au/career-and-education/ais-athlete-accelerate-program</a>.

Please note: This is a personal application, therefore, should you have any questions about the program, please contact the funding body via <a href="mailto:accelerateprogram@ausport.gov.au">accelerateprogram@ausport.gov.au</a>.

Kind regards, SLSNSW