





2021 Annual Report

BCA adapted and innovated to continue its incessant service to its members, in line with the objectives of the confederation during the year 2021.



At the start of 2021, we were all hopeful for a better year, compared to 2020, nonetheless we were also doubtful. The year started as it ended in 2020 but thanks to the vaccination campaign and sacrifices of many, we slowly saw some glimpses of normality towards the end of the year.

We undeniably had one common enemy which we bravely fought despite the fears and doubts. My first thought goes to all those who loss their lives or who lost loved ones in 2021.

Second, on behalf of the new elected Council in 2021, I would like to deeply thank our members for the trust and belief they have in our vision. My re-election at to start diversifying our funding in the near future. the head of the BCA is proof that Africa in one, united and ever ready to work together, towards a common goal, which has always been to make badminton one of the most popular sport in Africa.

I cannot however forget the contributions made by the outgoing council members during the last term. Equally, a great task is now in front of the new Council and I am confident that we shall succeed as well.

Despite all the barriers in 2021, our continent did very well. From July onwards, we have managed to conduct over 60 activities, which can be considered as one of the greatest achievements in our history.

With the athletes' welfare in mind, our Council took a bold decision and decided to proceed with the organisation of the All Africa Senior Championships in Uganda and the Under 15/19 Championships in Benin. For both activities, the respond was tremendously positive considering the support given to our members. On the performance side, our

players really did well, especially those who qualified for the Olympics. In fact, it is the very first time that we have managed to qualify a representative in each of the 5 events — well done to you players!

Our team continued to innovate to better serve our members with the organisation of activities online, while other activities were organized under strict sanitary protocols.

Despite the ongoing economic difficulties and the lack of sponsorships, BCA continued to focus on its marketing, communication and digitalization strategy in 2021. With the help of our members, our hope is

Although the worst may be behind us, the responsibility of achieving our common vision is ours. As a continent, we must remain united, truthful and trustful. Our goal is to bring people together and to unify the continent despite the language or cultural barriers. This is the only way for us to succeed.

Lastly, my dear brothers and sisters, on behalf of our Council, I would like to thank you all members, partners and the BWF for the continued support in 2021. We hope to count on your continued support in 2022 and beyond.

Thank you and God bless BCA. Michel T. BAU

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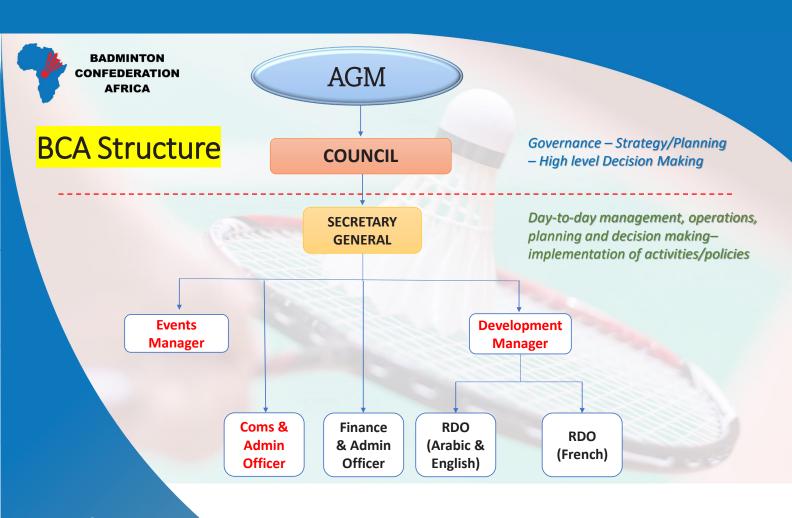




AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2022 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES



Organisational structure



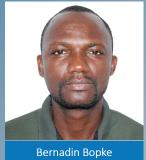
BCA management team



Sahir Edoo **BCA Secretary General**



Annirao Dajee **BCA Development Manager**



BCA Development Officer



BCA Finance Officer



BCA Council



Michel Bau

President



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Treasurer



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Vice President (Region 2)



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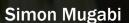
Vice President (Region 1)



Odette Assembe Engoulou



Vice President (Region 3)



Vice President (Region 5)



Moneoang Leshota

Council Member



Rajen Pultoo

Council Member



Shamsu Mustapha

Council Member



Highlights of 2021

With millions of lives lost due to the COVID-19 and with most of the sports events worldwide heavily impacted in 2021, BCA had to adapt and innovate to continue its incessant service to its members, in line with the objectives of the Confederation. At the start of 2021, the situation was not much better than 2020 but with BCA's willingness and the Member Association's support, the Confederation managed to successfully complete most of its activities as at year end in 2021.

The most part of BCA's face-to-face activities was conducted in the second part of the year where the situation got smoother in some countries. The planning and organisation of all activities in 2021 demanded much more resources, risk management, proper coordination, and monitoring of all projects.

As 2020, technology was key in BCA's operations and activities' implementation. Many activities were conducted online due to the travelling restrictions. Below are a few highlights of the BCA in 2021.

o BCA qualified a player or pair in each of the 5 events at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics. In comparison to 2016, only 2 players had qualified. Players from Egypt, Mauritius and Nigeria qualified for the 2021 games. The icing on the cake came with Doha Hany of Egypt, who managed to qualify in 3 events.

o The BCA AGM was again conducted virtually with massive participation of the BCA membership. Most BCA Member Association (MAs) logged in and were present for the AGM.

o 2021 was also an election year for the Council. A new Council was elected for a transition term of 2 years. Mr. Michel BAU was reelected, by acclamation, as President up to 2023. Same for the Deputy President Mr. Messaoud Zobiri. The Treasurer Mrs. Chipo Zumburani was also voted in for another term.

o Mrs Chipo Zumburani and Mrs. Odette Engoulou joined the President on the BWF Council following their election as BWF Council Members.

o After 2 postponement and a change of venue, the All Africa Senior Championships 2021 was eventually held in Uganda in October 2021. Organised with a strict sanitary protocol, the championship was a big success despite the pandemic. The host, Uganda Badminton Association, in collaboration with their stakeholders, pulled out an amazing tournament which saw participation of 10 African Countries and 69 players. Egypt reclaimed the gold medal in the Team Event Competition after beating Algeria in the final.

o For the first time ever, 2 African Championships, namely: the Under 19 and the Under 15, were held back-to-back in Ouidah, Benin. Despite the enormous logistical challenge, the tournament was also a success. Being organized in the region for the first time, the championships saw the participation of emerging and developing countries like Burkina Faso, Senegal and Niger.

o Other tournaments held in 2021 were: Uganda International, Uganda Para badminton International, Benin International, Botswana International, South Africa International and South

Africa Junior International. Uganda was the only country to secure a prize money (\$10,000) for their international.

o One of the main highlights of the year was the live streaming of BCA's championships. 4 events were fully live streamed in 2021: Benin International, Africa U19 Championships, Africa U15 Championships, and the Africa Senior Championships. Live commentary and interviews were introduced to better interact with our audience and to showcase our players.

o The BWF annual financial support, the Member Association Grant, was key for many African Countries in 2021. This grant helped most African MAs to restart Badminton after the onset of the pandemic. However, some countries struggled to adequately report on their activities.

o The Development Manager, Mr. Annirao Dajee, retired in 2021. The 2 Regional Development Officers are now leading the implementation of the development activities in Africa. Mr. Dajee has been key to the development of badminton in Africa for the past 15 years.

o BCA continued to support and monitor all development programmes in Africa despite the impact of the pandemic. More countries have applied for the Shuttle Time Teachers Grant (STTG) in 2021 compared to the previous year. Apart from the face-to-face Shuttle Time Courses and other Coach Education courses, BCA continued its capacity building implementation online. Virtually delivered activities including courses and meetings were regularly organized during the year.

o BCA organized its first AirBadminton tournament in 2021 which was a friendly event organized during the All Africa Senior Championships 2021 in Uganda. Most players from the 10 countries present in Uganda played and won prizes during the tournament. Free shuttles of the AirShuttles (V2) were also distributed to BCA MAs in 2021.



















CALENDER OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR 2021

	February						
1	Shuttle Time Teachers Course (STTG)	Tunisia	25 - 26				
2	Uganda International 2021 (International Series)	Kampala, Uganda	25 - 28				
	March						
3	BCA Sportrecs Webinar	Online	17-18				
4	Shuttle Time Teachers Course (STTG)	Ethiopia	March/April				
5	BWF Coach Level 1 & Shuttle Time Activities	Tunis, Tunisia	22-Nov				
6	Shuttle Time Tutors Course	Tozeur, Tunisia	19-20				
	April						
7	BWF Level 1 Coaching Course	Cairo, Egypt	09-Feb				
8	Shuttle Time Tutors Course	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso	05-Mar				
9	Shuttle Time Teachers Course	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso	07-Jun				
10	National Training Camp	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso	10-Aug				
11	Road to Tokyo (Peru)	Peru	21 - 25				
12	Road to BCA Accreditation - Referee online course - Batch 1	Online	22 - 13 May				
13	Shuttle Time Tutors Course	Bujumbura, Burundi	29 - 1 May				
	May						
14	Shuttle Time Teachers Course	Bujumbura, Burundi	2-3				
15	National Training Camp	Bujumbura, Burundi	6				
16	BWF Level 1 Coaching Course (OS)	Djibouti City, Djibouti	16 - 23				
17	Shuttle Time Teachers Course (STTG)	Algeria	23-25				
18	Shuttle Time Teachers Course	Djibouti City, Djibouti	24 - 25				
19	National Training Camp	Djibouti City, Djibouti	26 - 27				
20	Road to BCA Accreditation - Referee online course - Batch 2	Online	20 - 10 Jun				
21	BWF AGM	Online	22				
	June						
22	Road to Tokyo	Lagos, Nigeria	2-13				
23	BCA AGM	Online	19-Jun				
23	BWF Level 1 Coaching Course	Lome, Togo	21 - 28				
	July						
25	Shuttle Time Teachers Course	Cameroon	Jul/Oct				
26	Road to Tokyo Camp	Cairo, Egypt	3-16				
27	BWF Level 1 Coaching Course	Kinshasa. DR Congo	6-13				
28	Shuttle Time Tutors Course	Kinshasa. DR Congo	14-16				
29	Shuttle Time Teachers Course	Kinshasa. DR Congo	17-18				
30	Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games Badminton	Tokyo, Japan	24 - 02 Aug				

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31	BCA Umpires Accreditation Workshop	Cotonou, Benin	16 - 18 Aug
32	BCA Umpires Accreditation Assessment	Cotonou, Benin	18 - 26 Aug
33	Benin International 2021 (Future Series)	Cotonou, Benin	18 - 21 Aug
34	BCA Training Camp	Cotonou, Benin	19 - 21 Aug
35	All Africa U15 Championships 2021	Cotonou, Benin	22 - 26 Aug
36	All Africa U19 Championships 2021	Cotonou, Benin	27 Aug - 1 Sep
	September		
37	Tokyo 2020 Paralympics Games	Tokyo, Japan	1-5
	October		
38	BWF Sudirman Cup 2021	Vantaa, Finland	Jul/Oct
39	Shuttle Time Teachers Course (STTG)	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso	Oct/Dec
40	BWF and National Line Judges Webinar	Online	12-14
41	BWF Level 1 Coaching Course	Kampala, Uganda	12-19
42	BCA Accreditation Umpires Workshop	Kampala, Uganda	18-20
43	BCA Umpires Accreditation Assessment	Kampala, Uganda	18-28
44	All Africa Mixed Team Championships 2021	Kampala, Uganda	20-24
45	1st Africa AirBadminton Friendly Challenge	Kampala, Uganda	25
46	All Africa Individual Championships 2021	Kampala, Uganda	26-28
47	Thomas & Uber Cup Final	Aarhus, Denmark	9-19
	November		
48	BCA Basic Coaching Course (OS)	Conakry, Guinea	1-8
49	Shuttle Time Presentation Meeting	Djibouti City, Djibouti	2-4
50	BWF Level 1 Coaching Course	Gaborone, Botswana	2-9
51	BCA Financial Management Course	Online	Nov/Dec
52	AGITOS BWF Para Badminton Activities	Kampala, Uganda	11-21
53	Uganda Para Badminton International 2021	Kampala, Uganda	15-21
54	BCA Region 4 Training Camp	Lobatse, Botswana	17-28
55	Botswana International 2021 (Future Series)	Lobatse, Botswana	25-28
56	BWF Level 2 Coaching Course	Mauritius	27- 4 Dec
57	BWF World Championships 2021	Huelva, Spain	29- 05 Dec
	December		
58	BWF AirBadminton Webinar	Online	1
59	South Africa International 2021 (Future Series)	South Africa	2-5
60	South Africa Junior International 2021	South Africa	6-8
61	BWF World Senior Badminton Championships 2021	Huelva, Spain	8-14
62	BCA Gender Equity Meeting	Dakar, Senegal	9-11
63	Shuttle Time Coordinators Meeting	Online	16-19
64	BCA Umpires Webinar	Online	21-23
65	BWF Level 1 Coaching Course	Cotonou, Benin	20-28
66	Dubai Scholarships Training Camp	Dubai, UAE	Dec

Membership



Out of the 57 African countries and territories recognized by the African Union, so far, the following 45 are members of BCA:

1	Algeria	16	Gambia	31	Nigeria
2	Benin	17	Ghana	32	Reunion*
3	Botswana	18	Ghuinea	33	Senegal*
4	Berkina Faso	19	Ivory Coast	34	Seychelles
5	Burundi	20	Kenya	35	Sierra Leone
6	Cameroun	21	Lesotho	36	Somalia
7	Central African Republic	22	Libya	37	South Africa
8	Congo	23	Madagascar	38	St. Helena
9	Congo DRC	24	Malawi	39	Sudan
10	Djibouti	25	Mauritiania	40	Tanzania
11	Egypt	26	Mauritius	41	Togo
12	Equatorial Guinea	27	Morocco	42	Tunisia
13	Eritrea	28	Mazambique	43	Uganda
14	Ethiopia	29	Namibia	44	Zambia
15	Eswatini	30	Niger	45	Zimbabwe

^{*} Associate Member











After the acceptance to the BWF and BCA memberships of Djibouti and Senegal in 2020, there were no new members in 2021. Reunion Island and Senegal remained the 2 Associate Members of the Confederation as well.

Following consultations and meetings held with the Senegalese Badminton Association, their federation could accede to the BWF membership, as a full member, in early 2022.

Comoros is on the right track to become the next member of the BWF and BCA in 2022. Their association is actively engaged to get international recognition. Rwanda and Mali are also close to become members. Contacts exist with Chad, Liberia and South Sudan as well.

Among the 45 BCA member associations, 4 of them are inactive:

1	Eswatini	4	Saint Helena
2	Malawi	5	Tanzania

With the support of the BWF and the BCA Vice-Presidents (Regions), a plan would be put in place to reactive the membership of these federations. The BCA is in contact with the National Olympic Committees of a few of these countries.

Based on the BCA Constitution and for operational reasons, the Confederation is divided into 5 regions:

Region 1 (Northern Africa)

1	Algeria	4	Mauritania	7	St Helena
2	Egypt	5	Morocco	8	Sudan
3	Libya	6	Niger	9	Tunisia

Region 2 (North Western Region)

1	Benin	4	Gambia	7	Togo
2	Burkina Faso	5	Ghana	8	Senegal
3	Cote D'Ivoire	6	Guinea	9	Sierra Leone

Region 3 (Western Central Region)

1	Cameroon	4	DR Congo
2	Central Africa Republic	5	Equatorial Guinea
3	Congo	6	Nigeria

Region 4 (Southern Region)

1	Botswana	5	Madagascar	9	Reunion
2	Eswatini	6	Mauritius	10	South Africa
3	Lesotho	7	Mozambique	11	Zambia
4	Malawi	8	Namibia	12	Zimbabwe

Region 5 (Eastern Region)

1	Burundi	4	Ethiopia	7	Somalia	
2	Djibouti	5	Kenya	8	Tanzania	
3	Eritrea	6	Seychelles	9	Uganda	

In 2020, the BWF completed its member association's categorization survey based on the development level of the members. This categorization tool enabled the BWF to better assist its members, through the BCA Member Association Grant programme and other assistance. The categorization itself has 10 levels (Level 1 – Inactive to Level 10 – highly developed).



Reunion, Saint Helena, Malawi and Tanzania did not complete the survey. They were categorized as inactive. Gambia joined the membership in the course of 2020 and were not included in the categorization for now and will complete the next survey.

No African member associations were categorized in the categories 8, 9 and 10. These are mostly for elite developed countries. The next survey will be published in 2022.





Governance

BCA once again held its Annual General Meeting (AGM) online in 2021. The AGM, being the most important activity of the year, was competently organized with participation of 35 Member Associations and 45 delegates. Independent observers from the BWF also attended.

Being an elective year, Council election was held during the AGM. A new Council of 15 Members were therefore elected to serve for a transition period of 2 years. Michel Bau and Messaoud Zobiri were both re-elected, unopposed, as President and Deputy President respectively, while Chipo Zumburani also kept her seat as Treasurer of the Confederation. The following new members were elected:

Mr. Guy Armand Balcilia Beninga

Mr. Hesham Eltohamy

Mr. Jeff Shigoli

Mr. Michael Mustapha Shamsu

Mr. Rajen Pultoo



During the AGM, the members also thanked the ongoing BCA Council members for their time in office, namely: Dr. (Mr.) Ali Hassaballa, Mr. Evans Yeboah, Mr. Francis Orbih, Mr. Godfrey Mathumo, Mr. Kay Chirwa and Mr. Larry Keys.

With the ongoing pandemic, all BCA Council meetings were held online. The Council and its Committees met virtually on several occasions. Only the BCA Gender Equity Commission managed to meet physically in December 2021, due to the easing of the restrictions that time.

Following the elections, the BCA Council went on to appoint a number of standing Committees and sub-committees. A few important changes were approved:

- a. The Development Committee was now the Development and Sports for All Committee.
- b. The Women in Badminton Commission become the Gender Equity Commission
- c. A High Performance Commission was created to cater for the HP strategy of the Confederation.
- d. As approved in 2020, the Chair of the Athlete Commission was now part of the 15 Council members with full voting rights.

Based on the amendments made to the BCA Constitution made in 2020, the new Council term will end in 2023 and elections will be carried out during the 2023 AGM. This transition term will also not count as a full (4 year) term.

The composition of Council in 2021 (from June) was as follows:

1	President and BWF Vice President	Mr. Tukebana Bau (SEY)
2	Deputy President	Mr. Messaoud Zobiri (ALG)
3	Treasurer	Mrs. Chipo Zumburani (ZIM)
4	Vice President (Region 1)	Mr. Hesham Eltohamy* (EGY)
5	Vice President (Region 2)	Mr. Aubin Assogba (BEN)
6	Vice President (Region 3)	Mrs. Odette Engoulou (CMR)
7	Vice President (Region 4)	Mr. Kingsley Mulenga (ZAM)
8	Vice President (Region 5)	Mr. Simon Mugabi (UGA)
9	Member	Mr. Donald Mabo (Athlete)
10	Member	Mr. Guy Armand Balcilia Beninga* (CAF)
11	Member	Mr. Honore Zolobe (CIV)
12	Member	Mr. Jeff Shigoli* (KEN)
13	Member	Mr. Michael Mustapha Shamsu* (SLE)
14	Member	Dr (Mrs.) Moneoang Leshota (LES)
15	Member	Mr. Rajen Pultoo* (MRI)

^{*}Were elected during the AGM on 19 June 2021.

Note: The country code (in bracket), represent the nationality of the member. Council members, once elected, do not represent any Member Association on Council.



BCA Committees and Sub Committees (Commissions)

Admin & Remmuneration Committee					
1	Jeff Shigoli (KEN) - Chair				
2	Kingstin Mulenga (ZAM)				
3	Honore Zolobe (CIV)				
4	Guy Armand Balcilia Beninga (CAF)				
5	Odette Engoulou (CMR)				

Development & Sports for All Committee				
1	Odette Engoulou (CMR) - Chair			
2	Hesham Eltohamy (EGY)			
3	Moneoang Leshota (LES)			
4	Donald Mabo (ZAM)			
5	5 Simon Mugabi (UGA)			

Gender Equity				
(sub of Dev & SFO Committee)				
1	1 Moneoang Leshota (LES) - Chair			
2	Odette Engoulou (CMR)			
3	Aubin Assogba (BEN)			
4	4 Kingstin Mulenga (ZAM)			

Athletes Commission (Elected)			
1	Donald Mabo (ZAM) - Chair		
2	2 Hadia Hosny (EGY)		
3	Enejoh Abah (NGR)		

	High Performance Commission		
	(sub of Dev & SFO Committee)		
	1 Stewart Carson (RSA) - Chair		
- :	2 Annirao Dajee (MRI)		
:	3	Raja Rochdy (MAR)	

Para Badminton Commission				
	(sub of Dev & SFO Committee)			
1	1 Simon Mugabi (UGA) - Chair			
2	TBA			
3	TBA			

Marketing Committee				
1 Michael Mustapha (SLE) - Chair				
2	Guy Armand Balcilia Beninga (CAF)			
3	Honore Zolobe (CIV)			
4	Rajen Pultoo (MRI)			
5	5 Chipo Zumburani (ZIM)			

Executive Board				
1	Michel Bau (SEY) - Chair			
2	Messaoud Zobiri (ALG)			
3	Chipo Zumburani (ZIM)			
4	Odette Engoulou (CMR)			
5	Simon Mugabi (UGA)			
6	Honore Zolobe (CIV)			
7	Jeff Shigoli (KEN)			

Events Committee					
1	1 Simon Mugabi (UGA) - Chair				
2	Aubin Assogba (BEN)				
3	Jeff Shigoli (KEN)				
4	Hesham Eltohamy (EGY)				
5	Rajen Pultoo (MRI)				

Finance Committee				
1 Honore Zolobe (CIV) - Chair				
2	Michael Mustapha (SLE)			
3	Chipo Zumburani (ZIM)			
4	4 Jeff Shigoli (KEN)			
5	5 Moneoang Leshota (LES)			

VP Regions			
1	Hesham Eltohamy (EGY)		
2	Aubin Assogba (BEN)		
3	Odette Engoulou (CMR)		
4	4 Kingsley Mulenga (ZAM)		
5	Simon Mugabi (UGA)		

TOs Commission			
	(sub of Events Committee)		
1	Diraj Gooneadry (MRI) - Chair		
2	Andre Van der Merwe (RSA)		
3	Honorine Fifame (BEN)		
4	Harriet Semugabi (UGA)		
5	Kgaboetsile Emmanuel (BOT)		

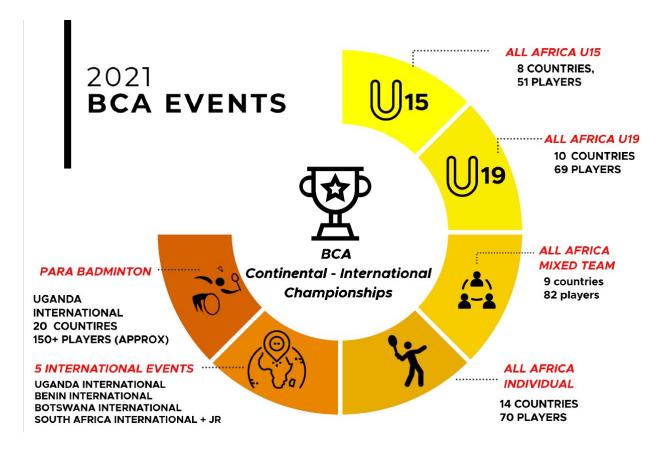






ALL AFRICA
SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS
UGANDA 2021

Continental Events 2021



From August onwards, BCA managed to organise 3 Continental Championships in a short span of 3 months. The task was colossal for the BCA team and the host countries. Organising a major event in the COVID-19 era demanded much more resources, planning and control from host countries.

Both Uganda and Benin successfully presented the BCA Championships in a world class manner. During the All Africa U15 and U19 in Benin, a number of Western African nations made it a must to attend. Some of them travel by road while others flew but in the end, countries like Senegal, Burkina Faso and Niger participated in the event. Senegal, the newest BCA member, made their first ever continental participation there.

One of the other positives in 2021 was the participation rate at BCA Championships. For the All Africa Senior Championships in Uganda, 14 countries pitched up in the Individuals, which in a 'normal' year would have been an achievement already. This demonstrate the effort made by all participating countries in 2021.

In 2021, BCA paid a total of _____grant to teams that participated in the BCA Continental Championships. Uganda also managed to conduct their annual Para Badminton International in November. The All Africa Parabadminton Championships was pospotned to 2022.



All Africa U15 – Benin 2021 The Medal Tally

- It is no surprise that Egypt, with a clean sweep at the Under 15 Championships, topped the list.
- Burkina Faso won their first ever African medal for the AAU15 Championships.





All Africa U19 – Benin 2021 The Medal Tally

- South Africa impressed all with their U19 performance with 5 gold medals.
- Benin won their first ever African medal for the AAU19 Championships in MS.







THE MEDAL TALLY **2021**





All Africa Senior – Uganda 2021 The Medal Tally

- Egypt again reached 5 finals out of 6 and clinched 4 gold medals.
- Zambia and Uganda secured bronze medals in the AASC2021.







THE MEDAL TALLY **2021**



World class delivery and presentation of BCA events were the key objectives driving the Confederation's event implementation in 2021. With the ongoing pandemic and all its related difficulties, BCA's aim in 2021 was to:

- a. Support host organisers to effectively organized its major events
- b. Provide support to participating countries
- c. Work on the best and safest way possible to host events during the pandemic
- d. Provide world class services to athletes and officials
- e. Showcase African badminton as a world class presentation event.

Apart from the 3 Continental Championships (Senior, Under 15 and Under 19), 5 other internationals were held in 2021:

Sn	Tournament	Date	Level	Prize Money
1	Benin International	August	Future Series	Nil
2	Botswana International	November	Future Series	Nil
3	South Africa International	December	Future Series	Nil
4	South Africa Jr. International	December	Junior Future Series	Nil
5	Uganda International	February	International Series	\$10,000



Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, the BCA could not organise the All-Africa School Championships in 2021. In addition, the following internationals were cancelled as well:

Sn	Tournament	Date	Level	Prize Money
1	Lagos International	July	International Challenge	\$25,000
2	Egypt International	October	Future Series	Nil
3	Algeria International	October	Future Series	Nil
4	Algeria Jr. International	November	Junior Future Series	Nil
5	Cameroon International	November	International Series	\$10,000

Global Events 2021

7 players from 3 countries and in all 5 events represented Africa at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics.

Egypt qualified to represent Africa in the TotalEnergies Sudirman Cup 2021 which was held in Finland.

The TotalEnergies Thomas & Uber Cup, which was postponed in 2020, was eventually held in 2021. Egypt (Women) and Algeria (Men) qualified for Africa.

The Egyptian team achieved a historic victory in the Uber Cup by winning a tie against the representative of Oceania during the tournament – making it a first win for them at this level.

For the World Championships in Spain, the Nigerian Opeyori (Men's Singles and Men's Doubles) and Olofua (Men's Doubles) qualified while Medel and Mammeri also qualified in Men's Doubles.

2 African players represented Africa in the Paralympics 2020 games in Tokyo, namely: Rita Asiimwe (Uganda) and Ahmed Magdy (Egypt).



Para Badminton Events

The All Africa Para Badminton Championship was cancelled in 2021 due to the pandemic. However, Uganda successfully organized their 4th edition of the Uganda Para Badminton International. With BWF and BCA support, 11 African countries were present in Kampala.

However, the BCA Council remain concerned about the lack of political will, of some eligible countries, to organise another Para badminton international in Africa.













BCA Support to Events & Others

Though the cut in budgets and income, the BCA is still committed to support organisers of international tournaments in Africa. Apart from the organisation grant of \$550, BCA supports with a photography grant of \$150 and the tournament shuttlecocks. In addition, Technical Officials like Referees and umpires are also often appointed by the BCA.

BCA directly supported the participation of MAs in its 3 main Championships in 2021. A colossal amount of \$58,370 was paid as grant to participating countries in 2021.

In 2021, only Uganda managed to sustain their international with a \$10,000 prize money. The Uganda Badminton Association, also successfully attracted a number of sponsors during the All Africa senior Championships held in October.



Technical Officials

Following the end of the term of the Technical Officials Commission in 2021, a new commission was appointed in 2021 with a term of up to 2023. Mr. Diraj Gooneadry retained the Chairmanship of the Commission while Emmanuel Kgaboetsile and Harriet Semugabi also keep their seats. Two new members joined Andre Van der Merwe and Honorine Fifame.

With most events cancelled at the start of the year, the BCA TOC focused on the online courses but up to August 2021 when BCA held its first Championships (Under 15 and Under 19) after more than 1 year without tournaments. Preluding the same Championships and the Benin International 2021, a BCA Umpires Assessment workshop was held for the African National Umpires. Following the workshop, all umpires were assessed.

In October 2021, BCA organized another Accreditation workshop and assessment during the All Africa Senior Championships held in Uganda. BCA supported umpires from 9 African countries to participate in the assessment. In total 23 umpires from 10 countries were assessed.

The following umpires acceded to the BCA Umpire Accreditation level in 2021

Sn	Members	Country	Level
1	Anis AOUANOUK	Algeria	
2	Bignon BEDE	Benin	
3	Gabriel ATSEKU	Ghana	
4	Khoshila RAMSAMY	Mauritius	DCA Assess ditaid
5	Mmereki NKGOWE	Botswana	BCA Accredited
6	Reena SOBHA	Mauritius	
7	Sachin KINNOO Mauritius		
8	Sandip BEEHARRY	Mauritius	

With these officials accredited, BCA had a total of 41 Accredited and Certificated umpires coming from 12 African countries with Ghana being the latest African country to have a BCA official.

The BCA TOC also strengthened its capacity with the appointment of all BWF Umpires in Africa as Umpires assessors. To standardize and regulate the assessment process of umpires, the BCA Council approved the guidelines for Assessment of Umpires and appointment of assessors in Africa.

The BCA TOC held regular meetings online and the BCA TOs database was updated. Decision making, at the Commission level, is democratic and inclusive. The Commission has also been communicating with all BCA TOs via email, WhatsApp and other platforms.

The Commission also recognized the importance of training its Referees. In line with this, an online Referee's course was organized in 2021 with participation of National Referees from around Africa. The Referees were assessed and the most talented of them were identified for further training. The Referee's courses were led by Gretha Prinsloo, BWF Referee Assessor and Diraj Gooneadry, BWF Referee and Chair of the BCA TOC. A total of 27 participants from 14 countries participated

However, the Commission is quite concerned on the overall level of African Referees. With the retirement of 2 BWF African Referees in 2020 and 2021, BCA has now only 2 Referees at African level. This situation may be worst if no new African Referees make it to the BWF level in the next few years. To mitigate this risk, the Commission is appealing for BCA MAs to identify and train Referees at National Level.

The BWF has designed and published quite a few resources, including manuals for Umpires, Referees, Line Judges and organisers. There are also several videos online for TOs. All these resources are available in English and French and are available on the BWF Website.

The Line Judge workforce was not forgotten with online trainings held at different levels, namely: national, continental and international. With the progress made by Line Judges in Africa, BCA is anticipating an increase in the total number of Line Judges in Africa.

Two batches of Line Judge Webinars were organised. Different sessions were organised for African BWF Line Judges and for African National Line Judges. For the second course (National), 45 participants from 15 countries participated.

The following is a consolidated table of all African BWF Technical Officials as at end of 2021:

	Sn	COUNTRY	NAME
BWF Accredited Referee	1	South Africa	BESTER Karin
	2	Mauritius	GOONEADRY Diraj Dev
	3	Mauritius	PONAMBALUM Jen
BWF Umpire	1	Mauritius	GOONEADRY Diraj Dev
	2	Mauritius	MAHADOO Satiawan
	3	Botswana	KGABOTSILE Emmanuel
	4	Mauritius	SAIRALLY Yassan
	5	Mauritius	SAYID Faadil
	6	South Africa	VAN DER MERWE Andre
	7	Uganda	SEMUGABI Harriet
BWF Line Judge	1	Benin	FIFAME Honorine Vivitohou
	2	Ghana	GBATI Pekoula
	3	Algeria	KHERRAZ Lamia
	4	Botswana	MODIGELA Gagothata Mbi
	5	Benin	NONVIGNON Cossi Salomon
	6	Zambia	NYIRENDA Harrison John
	7	Botswana	SAAKANE Emmanuel
	8	Egypt	SHADY Mashaal Ahmed
	9	Mauritius	CLAUDE Didier
	10	South Africa	PLAATJIES Megan



In 2021, the BWF introduced a unique category for their umpires – the BWF Umpire. Previously its used to be an entry level with the BWF Accredited Umpire and a second level, the BWF Certificated Referee. This change has made it more difficult for our umpires to bridge the gap and reach the BWF level.

BCA has no Certificated Referee, Mrs. Gretha Prinsloo who was the only African Certificated Referee retired at the end of 2019 and thereafter was appointed as a Referee Assessor. She is the only BWF Referee Assessor from Africa.

Mr. Jen Ponambalum also retired at the end of 2021 after a successful career in refereeing career at BWF and BCA level.

Radminton Wrica

Two umpires from BCA were nominated to attend the BWF assessment in 2021: Janine Kotzer from South Africa and Amarni Chawki from Algeria. Due to travelling restrictions the latter could not travel. Though Janine Kotzer managed to make it to the Assessment in Denmark but she was not accepted as a BWF Umpire. She was at her second attempt.

The BCA TOC has identified a number of BCA Certificated Umpires who will be nominated for BWF Assessments in 2023 and 2024. Based on the criteria set out by the Commission, these umpires will be nominated and trained before their assessments. They are from Zambia, Nigeria, Tunisia and Morocco.

Depending on availability, these selected Umpires will be sent to tournaments out of Africa for exposure. To assist our TOs workforce, BCA is continuing to collaborate with other Continental Confederations, namely: Badminton Europe, Badminton Asia Confederation and Badminton Oceania. This collaboration enables our Umpires to gain vital experience at higher level tournaments before their BWF Assessment.



Coach Education

The most affected area in BCA's operations in 2021 was its development activities. Due to the travelling restrictions during the early part of 2021, BCA was not able to deliver much activities on a face-to-face basis. However, the situation got much better in the later part of the year.

In total, seven (7) BWF Level 1 and one (1) BWF Level 2 Coaching Courses were delivered in 2021. This meant that the BCA trained 70 Level 1 and 8 Level 2 coaches.

Below are the details of coaches trained:

4. BWF Level 1 Coaching Course

Sn	Course Venue	Date	N° of Coaches Trained	No of Countries Participating	Countries
1	Egypt	2 – 9 April	12	2	Egypt, Sudan
2	Djibouti	16 – 23 May	10	1	Djibouti
3	Togo	21 – 28 June	10	3	Burkina Faso, Guinea, Togo
4	DR Congo	6 – 13 July	8	1	DR Congo
5	Uganda	12 – 19 Oct	10	3	Ethiopia, Sudan, Uganda
6	Botswana	2 – 9 Nov	10	3	Botswana, South Africa
7	Benin	20 – 28 Dec	10	2	Benin, Niger
	Total		70	15	

BWF Level 2 Coaching Course

Sn	Course Venue	Date	No of trained Coaches	No of Countries participating
1	Mauritius	27 Nov – 4 Dec	8	1
	Total		8	1

Follow the courses, 58 of the 70 Level 1 coaches qualified as BWF Coach and 8 qualified as BWF Level 2 Coach. The Level 2 course was open to other countries in the region but due to the COVID-19 restrictions, no other coaches were able to travel.

With the retirement of Mr. Dajee, the only Level 2 Tutor in Africa, the BCA is seeking BWF assistance to provide training for Level 2 trainers in Africa. In the meantime, with BWF assistance, all future BWF Level 2 courses may be delivered by other trainers.

With the above courses, the total number of level 1 coaches in Africa increased to 388, coming from 30 countries. While for the BWF Level 1 coaches, BCA has now 72 from 13 Countries.



With the support of their National Olympic Committee, Djibouti Badminton Federation organized a BWF Level 1 Coaching Course financed by Olympic Solidarity. Out of the 10 participants who attended the course, 7 qualified as Level 1 coaches. Djibouti being of the latest BWF member achieved a milestone with this training.

Similarly, the Guinean Badminton Federation, received the support of the Olympic Solidarity, with a coaching course. Based on the level of Badminton in the Country, Olympic Solidarity supported the delivery of a BCA Basic Coaching Course. 14 coaches were trained and received the certificate.

Compared to 2020, BCA managed to deliver more coach education activities and most of the courses were delivered in the second part of the year.

With the support of BWF, BCA managed to train both Regional Development Officers as BWF Level 1 Para badminton Tutors. With this, BCA has increased its capacity and will be offering more training opportunities for its members regarding Para badminton.

Coaches were also involved in a training camp organised by BCA, with the support of the Francophone Badminton Association (AFB). The camp was held just before the All Africa Under 15 Championships 2021 in Benin. All coaches who came for the championships participated in the camp which was delivered by BCA and AFB experts.







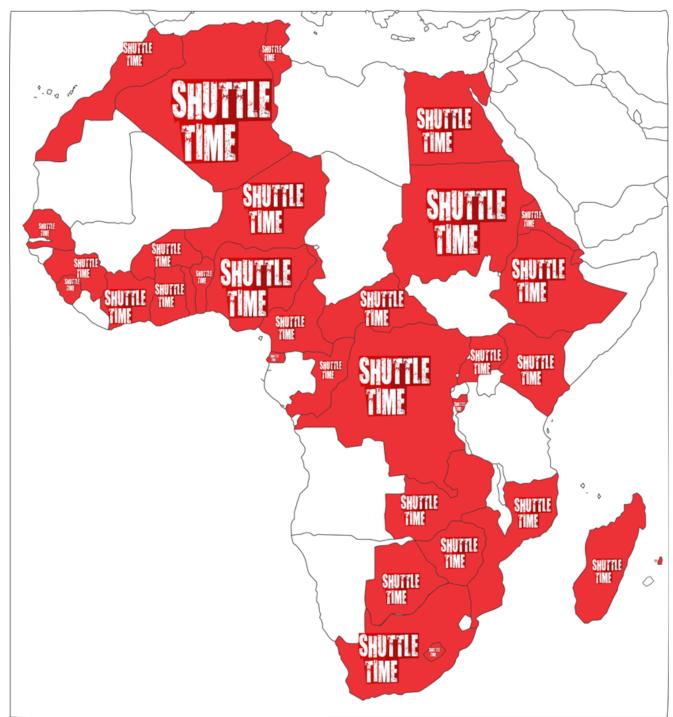
The Shuttle Time Programme is continuing its progress in the African Continent. By the end of 2021, the Programme had been implemented in 34 countries in Africa. Djibouti was the latest member joined the Programme in the year:

1	Algeria	18	Kenya
2	Benin	19	Lesotho
3	Botswana	20	Madagascar
4	Burkina Faso	21	Mauritius
5	Burundi	22	Morocco
6	Cameroun	23	Mozambique
7	Central Africa	24	Niger
8	Congo	25	Nigeria
9	Djibouti	26	Senegal
10	DR Congo	27	Sierra Leone
11	Egypt	28	South Africa
12	Equatorial Guinea	29	Sudan
13	Ethiopia	30	Togo
14	Eritrea	31	Tunisia
15	Ghana	32	Uganda
16	Guinea	33	Zambia
17	Ivory Coast	34	Zimbabwe





Shuttle Time Map in Africa:





BCA organised four (4) Shuttle Time Tutors Courses in 2021. Courses were organised in Burkina Faso, Burundi and DR Congo.

Tunisia fully financed the organisation of one Shuttle Time Tutors course in the country. The course was conducted by BWF and BCA experts.

Below are the details on Shuttle Time Tutors' course organised:

Sn	Course Venue	Date	No of Tutors Trained	No of Participating Country
1	Tunisia	19 – 20 Mar	15	1
2	Burkina Faso	3 – 5 April	15	1
3	Burundi	29 Apr – 1 May	7	1
4	DR Congo	14 – 16 July	8	1
Total			45	4

45 Shuttle Time Tutors were trained. 36 out of the 45 qualified as BWF Shuttle Time Tutors.

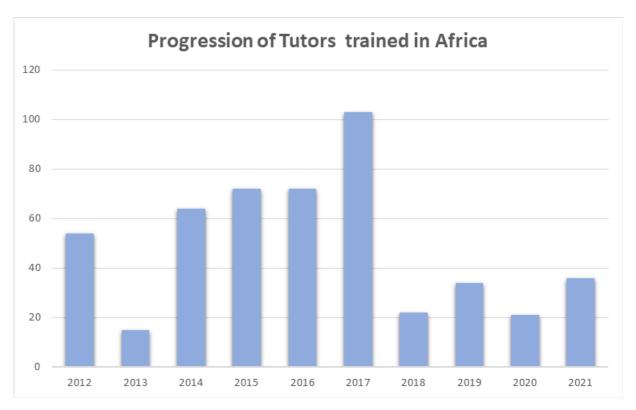
The Shuttle Time Tutors numbers increased in 2021 as well. In total BCA trained 493 Shuttle Time Tutors since 2012.



BCA Shuttle Time Tutors Statistics

Sn	Country	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total
1	ALGERIA			15								15
2	BENIN				13		5					18
3	BOTSWANA	3					9					12
4	BURKINA FASO										9	9
5	BURUNDI										7	7
6	CAMEROON				19							19
7	CENTRAL AFRICA						12					12
8	CONGO					5						5
9	CONGO DRC					8					5	13
10	COTE D'IVOIRE				10	8	5					23
11	EGYPT				5							5
12	ETHIOPIA			11			5					16
13	ERITREA							15				15
14	GHANA			9								9
15	KENYA		6				5					11
16	LESOTHO						5	7				12
17	MADAGASCAR				12							12
18	MAURITIUS								5			5
19	MOROCCO	42							8			50
20	MOZAMBIQUE						10					10
21	NIGER						8					8
22	NIGERIA			15					11			26
23	SENEGAL									12		12
24	SIERRA LEONE								10			10
25	SOUTH AFRICA	6				30						36
26	SWAZILAND	2										2
27	TOGO				13		5					18
28	TUNISIA						7			9	15	31
29	UGANDA			14			5					19
30	ZAMBIA					21	5					26
31	ZIMBABWE	1	9				17					27
	Total	54	15	64	72	72	103	22	34	21	36	493

The graphic below shows the progression of the tutors trained since 2012. In 2017 we had the highest number of Tutors Trained in Africa as, in that particular year, the BWF and the United Nations supported the implementation of Badminton For All Project. As showed in the graphic, the number of tutors trained is considerably low after 2017. However, there is a slight increase in 2021, despite the pandemic.



The main concern remains the sustainability of the programme and the return on investment for the tutors trained. Though there are tutors trained in more than 30 African countries, many countries have reported that their tutors are inactive and have not been conducting any courses.

Four (4) Shuttle Time Teachers Courses were organised in 2021: Burkina Faso, Burundi, Djibouti and DR Congo.

During 2021, there was also a considerable increase in MAs organising Shuttle Time

These MAs are: Algeria, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Congo, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Ivory Coast, Senegal, Tunisia, Togo and Zimbabwe.



BCA Shuttle Time Tutors Statistics

Below the consolidated number of BWF Shuttle Time Teachers trained in 2021:

BCA Shuttle Time Teachers Statistics

Sn	Country	Date	ВСА	MA	Teachers
1	Niger	16 – 17 Jan		Х	44
2	Tunisia	25-26 Feb		Х	23
3	Congo	6 – 7 Mar		Х	18
4	Ethiopia	10 – 11 Mar		Х	21
5	Tunisia	19 Mar		Х	6
6	Ethiopia	20 -21 Mar		Х	24
7	Ethiopia	27 – 28 Mar		Х	23
8	Burkina Faso	6 – 7 Apr	Х		20
9	Togo	24 – 25 Apr		Х	44
10	Ethiopia	24 – 25 Apr		Х	23
11	Burundi	2 – 3 May	Х		23
12	Benin	5 – 6 May		Х	16
13	Benin	22 – 23 May		Х	18
14	Senegal	22 – 23 May		Х	29
15	Djibouti	24 – 25 May	Х		13
16	Algeria	27 – 28 May		Х	17
17	Benin	5 – 6 June		Х	19
18	DR Congo	17 – 18 July	Х		14
19	Cameroon	30 – 31 July		Х	23
20	Zimbabwe	12 – 13 Aug		Х	15
21	Senegal	11 – 12 Sep		Х	27
22	Cameroon	16 – 17 Sep		Х	17
23	Cameroon	6 – 7 Oct		Х	8
24	Ivory Coast	30 – 31 Oct		Х	15
25	Cameroon	14 – 15 Dec		Х	12
26	Burkina Faso	18 – 19 Dec		Χ	24
27	Burkina Faso	18 – 19 Dec		Χ	26
28	Burkina Faso	20 – 21 Dec		Х	14
29	Togo	20 – 21 Dec		Χ	15
30	Togo	27 – 28 Dec		Χ	15
	606				

Country	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total
ALGERIA	26		34	53				58		17	188
BENIN				27		127	55	77	60	53	399
BOTSWANA						15					15
BURKINA FASO							39			84	123
BURUNDI							18			23	41
CAMEROON	17			41				10	38	60	166
CENTRAL AFRICA						15					15
CONGO					20					18	38
CONGO DRC					22			08		14	44
COTE D'IVOIRE				19	23	171		59		15	287
DJIBOUTI										13	13
EGYPT				46					13		59
EQUATORIAL GUINEA								10			10
ETHIOPIA			25	50	39	77		52		91	334
ERITREA							15				15
GHANA			10				120				130
GUINEA							25				25
KENYA		27				34					61
LESOTHO						125	11				136
MADAGASCAR				24					41		65
MAURITIUS				90							90
MOROCCO	51							19			70
MOZAMBIQUE						12					12
NIGER						18			66	44	128
NIGERIA			16					17			33
SENEGAL									40	56	96
SIERRA LEONE						11		20			31
SOUTH AFRICA	91	176	125	125	105	54	36				712
SUDAN							15				15
TOGO	32			34		119				74	259
TUNISIA						12			23	23	58
UGANDA			34			121	36	18			209
ZAMBIA		11	8			35					54
ZIMBABWE						136				15	166
Total	217	214	252	509	209	1028	370	348	281	606	4088

A total of 606 Shuttle Time Teachers were trained in 2021 increasing the number of Shuttle Teachers to 4088 in Africa.

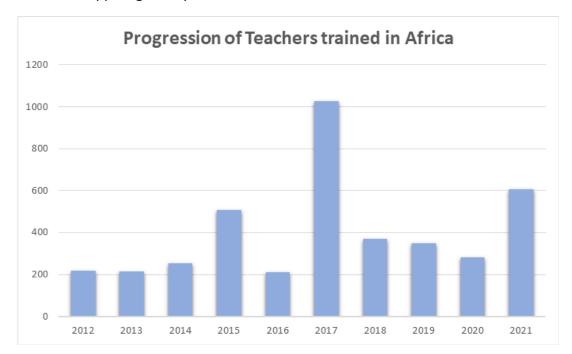




Based on the chart below, the highest number of Shuttle Teachers trained in Africa was in 2017 as well due to the Badminton For All Project.

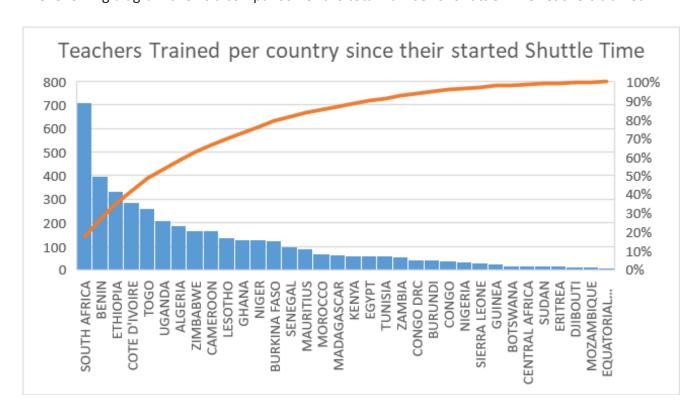
2021 saw the highest number of Teachers trained and this is due to 2 main reasons:

- a. Many MAs have used the BWF Membership Grant Programme funds for Shuttle Time Teachers Courses and;
- b. The financial support given by BCA BCA Shuttle Time Teachers Grant.



In fact, during 2021, BCA received far more applications for the Shuttle Time Teachers Grant. In 2020 only five (5) applications were received from 3 countries. And for 2021, 23 applications were received from ten (10) countries.

The following diagram shows a comparison of the total number of Shuttle Time Teachers trained:



31. The countries that benefitted from the Shuttle Time Teachers Grant were Algeria, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Ethiopia, Lesotho, Senegal, Tunisia, Togo and Zimbabwe. Following are details about the application:

Shuttle Time Teachers Grant

Sn	Country	Application
1	Algeria	1
2	Benin	3
3	Burkina Faso	3
4	Cameroon	3
5	Ethiopia	3
6	Lesotho	3
7	Senegal	2
8	Tunisia	1
9	Togo	3
10	Zimbabwe	1
TOTAL		23

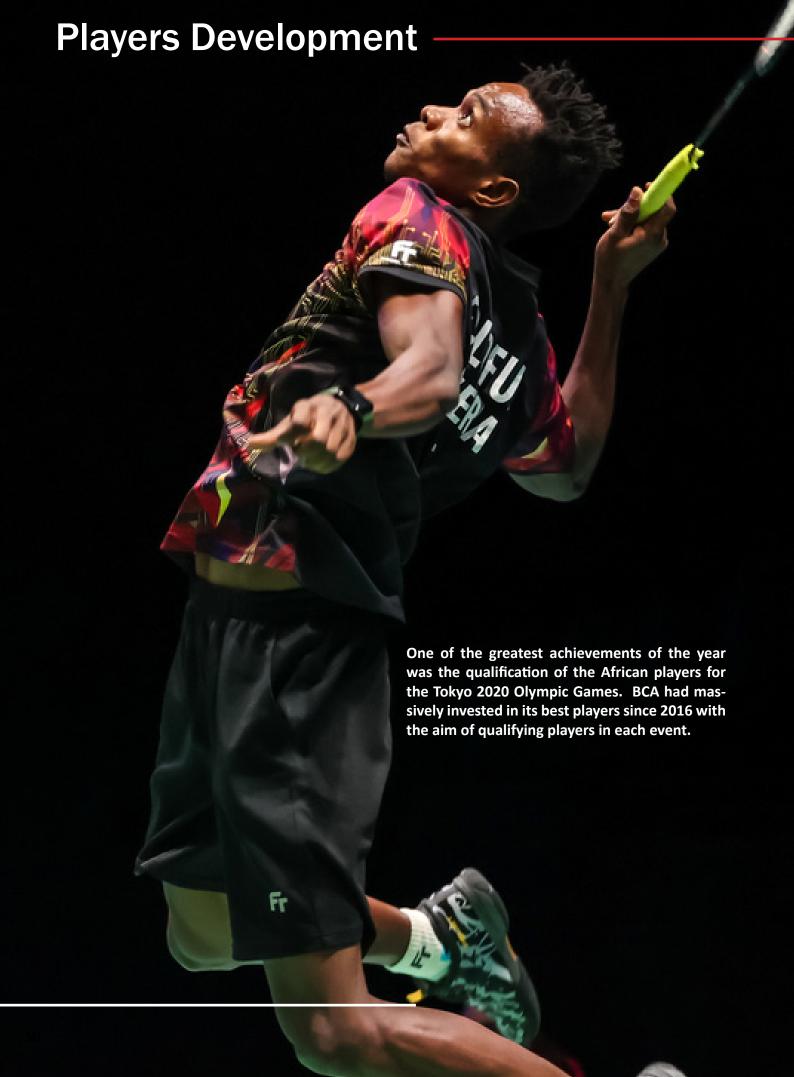
For the second year, BCA organised the Online Shuttle Time Coordinators Meeting in December. During the 4 days of the meeting, National Coordinators were updated with the latest updates, projects and resources regarding Shuttle Time programme development. 20 countries participated in the meeting:

1	Algeria	11	Guinea
2	Benin	12	Ivory Coast
3	Botswana	13	Lesotho
4	Burkina Faso	14	Madagascar
5	Burundi	15	Niger
6	Cameroun	16	Senegal
7	Congo	17	South Africa
8	Djibouti	18	Togo
9	DR Congo	19	Uganda
10	Ethiopia	20	Zimbabwe

Two MAs were showcased through the BWF Project of The Month – the selected countries were Côte d'Ivoire with the project named 'Shuttle Time meets AirBadminton'' (click here) and Zimbabwe with the project "Badminton for everyone in Zimbabwe through Shuttle Time" (click here).

The Humans of Shuttle Time Campaign showcased the stories of Shuttle Time National Coordinators including: Algeria (Ali Debabeche), Cameroon (François Serna), DR Congo (Marcel Bukasa), Ethiopia (Yosef Letta), Ghana (Cynthia Adamtey), Madagascar (Marc Aina), Niger (Abdoul Karim Moumouni), Zambia (Kingstin Mulenga) and Zimbabwe (Paul Kopolo).





Since 2016, only 2 singles players qualified, BCA's strategy was therefore to focus on the doubles pairing and assist them to qualify. This strategy proved right with the qualification of 7 players from 3 countries:

Event	Players	Country
Men's Singles	Julien Paul	Mauritius
Women's Singles	Adesokan Dorcas	Nigeria
women's singles	Doha Hany	Egypt
Men's Doubles	Godwin Olofua & Opeyori Anuoluwapo	Nigeria
Women's Doubles	Hadia Hosny. & Doha Hany	Egypt
Mixed Doubles	Adham El Gamal & Doha Hany	Egypt



Doha Hany and Hadia Hosny achieved an unprecedented ranking of 35 in the world in 2021. On the other hand, 2 African pairs were in the Top 50 in Men's Doubles. However, Sabir Medel and Koceila Mammeri of Algeria fell short of qualifying for Tokyo, being the second African pair.

Since 2016, BCA consistently assisted these players with financial and non-financial supported. Apart from the regularly "Road to Tokyo" camps, an expert was appointed to assist and follow the players up to the Olympics with their training and the choice of tournaments during the Olympic qualification period.

Following the qualification of the above players, a preparation plan was activated for the Games. 2 training camps were held in Egypt and Nigeria, conducted by the expert, Mr. Stuart Carson. In addition, scholarships were awarded to Opeyori, Paul and Adham for training in the Badminton Europe Centre of Excellence.

In addition to support given to top players, BCA also supported other talented players with scholarships. This is in line with BCA's strategy to "qualify and perform" in LA 2028 and Brisbane 2032. The winners of the All Africa Under 19 Championships were allocated a one-month scholarship each to train in Denmark. Scholarships were also given to other players from emerging countries in Africa.

With the above, 6 scholarships were also awarded to the best players during the All Africa Senior Championships 2021 held in Uganda.

The following are the scholarships given in 2021:

- >Women's and Men's Singles winners in All Africa U19, Nour Youssri (Egypt) and Caden Kakora (South Africa).
- > Two (2) medalists from emerging and developing countries during the All Africa U19 Championships, Oswald Ash Fano-Dosh (Benin) and Caren Leticia Akoumba Ze (Cameroon).
- > Women's and Men's Singles winners of All Africa Seniors Championships: Adham Hathem El Gamal (Egypt) and Johanita Scholtz (South Africa).
- > Six talented and young players, all medallists, from the All Africa Seniors Championships:

o Mostafa Kamel (Egypt)
o Kalombo Mulenga (Zambia)
o Brian Kasirye (Uganda)
o Amy Ackerman (South Africa)
o Fadilah Rafi (Uganda)
o Tanina Mammeri (Algeria)







Capacity Building

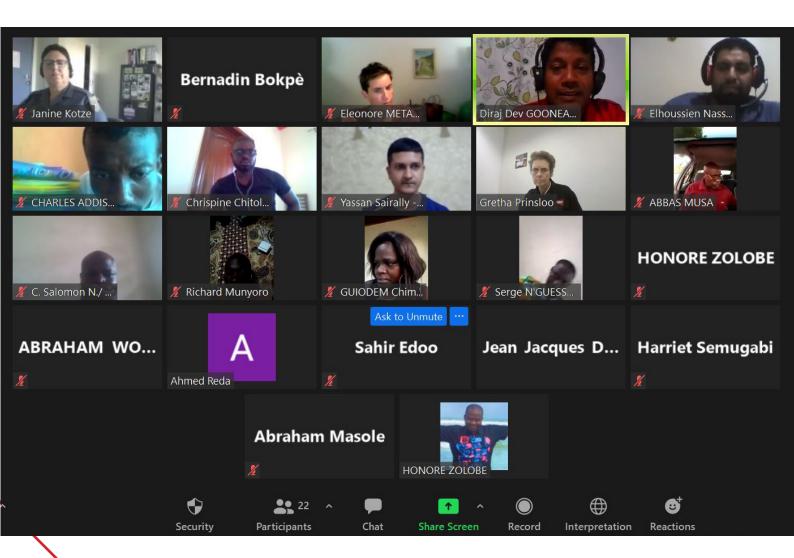
Though COVID-19 heavily impacted the implementation of BCA's activities, one of the positive aspects of the pandemic was the increased used and understanding of technology. As a result, BCA's increased its online activities and managed to impact the development of more resource persons within the system.

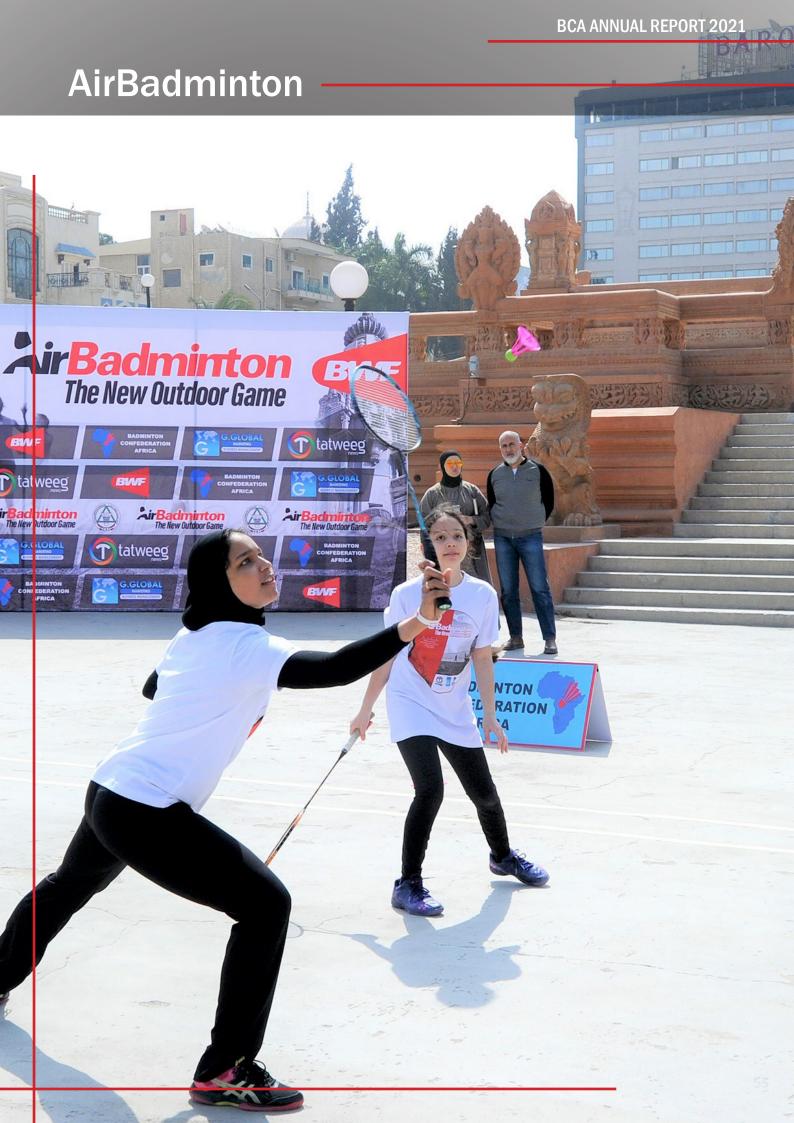
Numerous activities were held and support given to different resource persons throughout the year, including Coaches, Administrators, Technical Officials, Administrators and others.

BCA identified a key training need in the financial management aspect. Indeed, many MAs do not have enough capacity and training to adequately develop a financial management system within their organisation. To mitigate this aspect, the BCA organised a Financial Management Course in 2021.

The course which was led by the BCA Treasurer, Mrs. Chipo Zumburani, was a great success amongst the members. 36 participants coming 16 countries participated in the course which was delivered in 4 sessions. A basic assessment was also held and all the participants received a certificate at the end.

BCA had also planned to organise a BWF Administration Course in December 2021 in South Africa. However due to the spread of the Omicron variant of the COVID-19, the course was postposed to 2022.





Following the launched of AirBadminton by the BWF in 2019, much hype and exactment was created amongst the African MAs. With the onset of the pandemic, a number of schedule activities had to be postponed. Nevertheless, the BCA managed to conduct a Continental launched in December 2020 and thereafter continued its plan to popularize the new outdoor sport of the BWF.

The most exciting AirBadminton activity was the '1st Africa AirBadminton Challenge 2022' held in Uganda alongside the All Africa Senior Championships 2022. The activity was a friendly competition, based on the actual regulations for AirBadminton. Players from 8 countries: Botswana, Congo, DR Congo, Ghana, Mauritius, Reunion, Uganda and Zambia, all already present in Uganda, entered and played in the one day event which was played on the grass. All players and officials present in Uganda were quite excited about the tournament and praised the new sport which can be played 'Anywhere and Anytime'.

To support the development of the sport worldwide, the BWF decided to provide free AirShuttles samples to all countries. A good number of African countries completed the delivery forms and received the AirShuttles. In 2021, the BWF launched the second version of the AirShuttle which is considered to be more durable and performant.

With the BWF support, a webinar was also organised to provide the latest information on AirBadminton to the BCA MAs. In 2021, the BWF also launched several online videos to explain the concept and rules of AirBadminton. Other resources are available on the BWF Development Website.









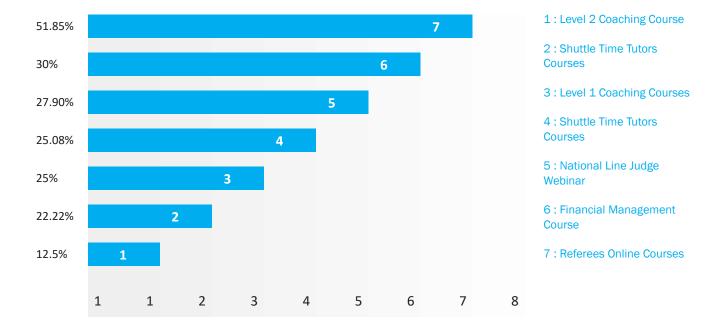


Following the BCA Council election in 2021, the new elected Council agreed to keep the same commission members with Dr. Moneoang Leshota as Chairperson for the term starting 2021 to 2023. Another key decision was to change the appellation of the commission to 'Gender Equity'. This is in line with the objective of the BCA and recommendation from the IOC.

Despite the disturbance caused by the COVID-19 in 2021, BCA continued to support the development of women in 2021. For most of BCA activities, strict gender equity policies were applied. For example, during training camps, online courses or scholarships, both men and women were chosen equitably. With the implementation of this policy, the average rate of women participation increased in 2021 to approximately 30%. This is in line with the key performance indicators that the BCA had set out in its Strategic Plan.



The graph shows a breakdown of women participation based on BCA main activities for the year.



Though much effort is being done, it is clear that women are scaringly involved at coaching and tutors levels. The number of women coaches in Africa is considerably low (<30% in comparison). Many factors affect women's participation, but it is key for MAs to identify the issues and to thereafter provide adequate assistance for women participation. Support and encouragements can be given to former female players and talented teachers for a career in coaching.

The Commission also acknowledged the growing efforts made by some MAs to include women at all levels within their associations. However, many MAs are not yet following BCA's recommendations to create a Women Commission at their association's level.

The Gender Equity Commission mostly conducted its meetings online except for the last meeting of the year which was held in Dakar Senegal. The Commission would like to extend its appreciation to the Senegal MA for being a perfect host for the commission.

The 3rd edition of the African Women in Badminton Award was bestowed to Miss Hadia Hosny of Egypt. The latter made considerable achievements in 2020 and became a national parliamentary representative for women and sports in her country. She also excelled on court with another participation in the Olympic Games and an all-time African best ranking of 35 worldwide in Women Doubles with her partner Doha Hany.

The commission also viewed with concern the low level of applications for the AWIBA. A review of the application process and criteria shall be conducted in 2022.

BCA had also plan to organise an Administration Course in December 2021 but due to the COVID-19, the activity was postponed to 2022.









MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION

BADMINT ONEEDERA



Despite the continued cancellation of most events organized in Africa, BCA sustained the development of its Marketing and Communication strategy with a number of activities in 2021. The most important event in BCA's calendar, the All Africa Senior Championships, was successfully held in October 2021, after 2 postponements. With the tournament on, BCA strategized on the production and distribution of highly presentable content to its fans and public at large.

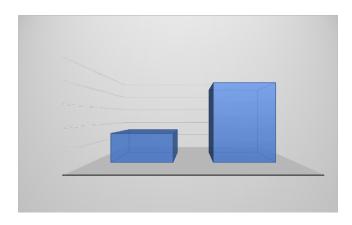
The All Africa Senior Championships 2021 was fully produced and live streamed by the BCA. A unique information system was developed by the BCA team to enable the high quality filming and live scoring for the event. The matches were live streams worldwide with audience from more than 50 countries and almost 90,000 views. Based on the same tournament in 2020 which was held in Egypt, the views for the final doubled:

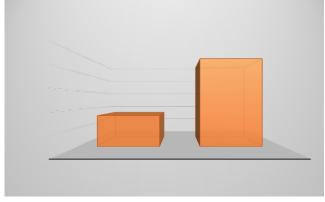
4 other African events were live streamed in 2021: Benin International, All Africa U15 Championships, All Africa U19 Championships and the Uganda Para badminton International.

To increase the quality and delivery of the content online, BCA added live commentary to all the matches streamed. Although, this addition necessitated more resources and technology, the outcome from fans worldwide was highly positive. Post-match interviews and more interaction with players, coaches and officials were added to the broadcasts.

Another milestone in 2021 was the BCA Social Media strategy. At the end of the year, the BCA Facebook page had almost 11,000 followers which represented an increase of 200% compared to 2020. BCA reached more than 400,000 people worldwide on Facebook in 2021.

Facebook Statistics







Facebook Page Reach
403,585 ↑ 231%

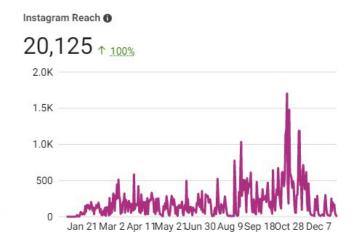
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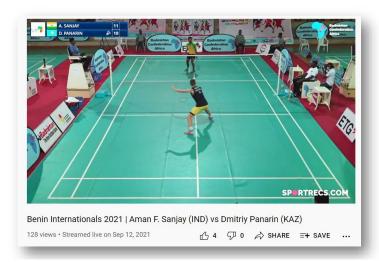
Page and profile visits Facebook Page Visits





There was also a constant increase in interactions with fans, mostly during BCA's major events. Several posts per day were published both on Facebook and Instagram. Almost 15,000 people visited the BCA Instagram page in 2021.

Live Streaming

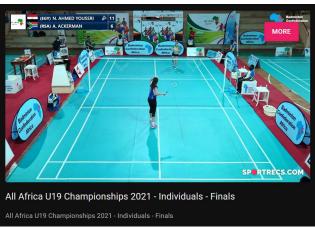


 Started to Live Stream Online (Facebook and YouTube) for BCA Circuit & Championships.

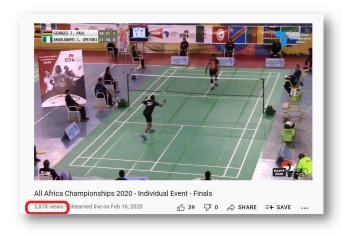
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- Started with Benin International 2021.
- All Africa U15, U19 2021 in Benin.
- All Africa Senior Championships 2021 in Uganda.
- Total Subscribers in 2021 are increased 57% compared to 2020





All Africa U15, U19 Championships Benin 2021





All Africa Senior Championships Egypt 2020

Total Views (for finals) 5878

All Africa Senior Championships Uganda 2021

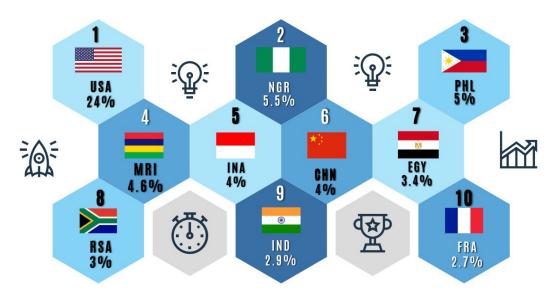
Total Views (for finals) 11475

With the outbreak of the pandemic in early March, BCA had to cancel all its tournaments and championships in 2020. No further events were then live streamed in 2020.

Similarly, the statistics of the BCA website were also very encouraging. Despite the reduction in the number of events, the website was updated on a regular basis with latest news articles. Interestingly, among the top 10 country users, 6 are non-African countries.

WEBSITE USERS 2021

TOP 10 COUNTRIES



Apart from BCA's digital strategy, the Confederation also supported MAs with distribution of branding materials throughout the year which included banners, A-board, goodies, gifts and others. The Confederation acquired uniforms for all its certified technical officials; that is: Referees, Umpires and Line Judges. BCA also assisted with the distribution of branded t-shirts for some events.

Newsletters, Emails and WhatsApp have also been regular channels of information used to communicate with members and stakeholders in Africa.

There are also regular communication and follow-ups, by the BCA staff, with all BCA member associations.

As previous years, a photography grant of \$150 was allocated to the orgnisers of each BWF sanctioned international tournament.

The grant helped organisers to produce quality photos that were then used by the members themselves or BCA for publications.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the economic difficulties, it was also a challenge to secure any kind of sponsorships. The cancellation of events also highly impacted BCA's marketing strategy.

However, hosts organisers like Uganda secured a number of sponsorships deals locally with the organisation of BCA's major events.

BCA is currently working on a medium to long-term plan to secure any kind of championships in a near future.

The Marketing Committee would also like to acknowledge the work done by the previous Committee Members with Mr. Honore Zolobe as Chair.

The current committee composed of Michael Shamsu Mustapha (Chairperson), Chipo Zumburani, Honore Zolobe, Rajen Pultoo and Guy Armand Balcilia Beninga would eventually like to thank all BCA member associations for their cooperation and support given to the committee during 2021.

Marketing is not a stand-alone factor of success and we, consequently, pledge to all member associations to continue to assist and work together with the BCA for the implementation of our Marketing plan.







The 2021 BCA AGM was once again conducted online due to the continued effect of the pandemic, and for the first time in BCA's history, a virtual voting system was used for the Council election. Despite the logistical and internet issues, a total of 45 delegates were present during the meeting.

The organization of the AGM was even highly commended by the BWF, especially on the professionalism, efficiency and smoothness of the meeting.

Following the BCA Council election, Mr. Jeff Shigoli was appointed by the Council, as the new Chairperson of the Administration and remuneration committee. The other members on the Committee for the (2021 to 2023) period are: Mr. Kingsley Mulenga, Mr. Honore Zolobe, Mr. Guy Armand Balcilia and Mrs. Odette Assembe Engoulou.

The BCA Council, the Executive Board, Council, Committees and Commissions were all very much active in 2021. Despite the lack of 'physical' meetings, all Committees and Commissions regularly met online and decisions were taken in a timely manner. Apart from official virtual meetings, other platforms like WhatsApp were also used for communications.



Staff

All staff recruitments were put on hold by the BWF in 2021. Based on the CCHR (Continental Confederation Human Resource) support by the BWF, the BCA still had to recruit an Events and an Administration/Communication staff.

The other 2 employees on this plan; the two Regional Development Officers (English & French) were already recruited in 2019.

After more than 10 years of service to the Confederation, Mr. A. Dajee, the Development Manager, retired in 2021. His contribution to the BCA has been pivotal throughout the past years.

In December 2021, the BCA Secretary General honored Mr. Dajee with a shield and souvenir in Mauritius.

After consultation with the BWF, it was resolved that the replacement of the Development Manager shall be done after a proper Human Resource Plan is developed with the BWF support and their approval.

With the anticipation of more staff joining the Confederation, the Commission, with the assistance of the Secretary General and Treasurer, is actively working on a staff handbook which would delineate all staff policies and regulations.







BCA Office Registration:

The registration process of the BCA Office in Mauritius is still ongoing. The COVID-19 pandemic and numerous lockdowns did not help the administrative process. However, several Ministries and authorities, including the Prime Minister's Office, the Ministry of Good Governance, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Youth and Sports and the Attorney's General Office, have all approved the setting up of the office. BCA should receive a final confirmation in 2022. The BWF have also been actively supporting BCA in the process.

With the registration of the office, the BCA would benefit from the following:

- i. As a non-profit organization, BCA will be exempted from Taxes.
- ii. No duties and taxes for equipment imported by BCA for distribution in Africa.
- iii. Facilities for work permit and residence permit for staff.
- iv. Facilities to grant visa on arrival for participants in BCA activities.
- v. Facilities from Government for the hosting of Major Events.

The Commission would finally like to thank and acknowledge the work done by Mr. Kay Chirwa and other former Administration and Remuneration Committee members during the past 4 years, up to June 2021.



BCA ATHLETES

The year 2021 was a challenging period, having been faced with the COVID-19 pandemic our -activities were massively disturbed.

Our continental governing body the Badminton Confederation Africa (BCA) did everything possible to keep our athletes active throughout the year. The notable achievement in the calendar year was the hosting of the most prestigious tournament of the continent, the All Africa Senior Championships that took place from 21st to 28th of October 2021 in Kampala, Uganda.

The tournament was a huge success. The entire organisation brought so much joy to athletes because standards improved tremendously which was a step forward for Africa. During the competition the Athletes Commission was very happy to learn of the opportunity BCA had bestowed on potential talents as this is one of BCA's commitments towards raising the standards of the game on the continent. The eight (8) potential talents were selected to go and attend training camps in Denmark and Dubai respectively.

As a Commission we are grateful for the good governance and administrative support that is being rendered to the main stakeholders of our sport – the athletes, and we hope that the leadership will continue tirelessly to look for opportunities to one day have a Centre of Excellence in Africa.

I wish to thank my fellow Athletes Commission members for their support, all athletes for their continued efforts throughout such a trying COVID-19 pandemic year and the BCA for their efforts to give athletes opportunities to enhance their game.

Best regards,

Chairperson BCA Athletes Commission.

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Finance Report

As it is one of our key objectives and responsibilities, the Finance Committee continued to monitor the financial management of BCA to ensure that budgeting and spending supports the strategic aims of the Confederation. 2021 was however a tumultuous year, the COVID-19 pandemic raged on into the year with new variants and causing more disruptions to sport worldwide.

With the onset of the Omicron variant in the last quarter of 2021, BCA had to postpone its Administration Course which had been scheduled to be held in South Africa in December 2021. However, the volatile environment made us reflect on our financial principles as an international sporting body. We considered:

- > Contingency budgeting to accommodate the possibility of changes and cancellations on expenses like airtickets, accommodation etc. Although this heightened our costs, it was important and necessary to have the flexibility to make changes in light of the effects of COVID-19 against the backdrop of the year 2020.
- > Contingency planning enabled BCA to host over 90% of its scheduled events. The hosts of BCA's 2021 events delivered brilliantly with a first for BCA of two back-to-back championships in Benin (U15 and U19 Championships) and back-to-back events in Uganda which included the All-Africa Senior Championships which were initially scheduled to be held in South Africa.
- > We also experienced some costs savings by having some activities delivered virtually and these included our Annual General Meeting (AGM), our Council meetings as well as a number of courses. Despite saving costs, this actually also increased the level of our engagement with our various stakeholders.
- > These all culminated into a packed calendar of activities and saw the Confederation utilizing all the grants and income that were received for 2021- to the tune of US\$738,446. We are pleased to report that our reach grew through the use of various platforms which contributed immensely towards BCA achieving its strategic goals for the year 2021.
- > BCA did not however realise as many sponsorship opportunities as had been expected due to the COVID-19 situation. However, our financial investment into the Confederation's livestreaming capabilities started to bear fruit with accelerated growth in viewership numbers on our different social media platforms and the livestreaming itself.
- > As part of capacity building for our Member Associations the Finance Committee welcomed the initiative by BCA Secretariat to deliver a Financial Management Course for the key personnel in our MAs. The Finance Committee supports that such knowledge transfer and sharing should be ongoing for BCA and its members to continue to strive towards achieving efficiency, excellence, transparency and good governance in the area of financial management.
- > I wish to thank my colleagues in the Finance Committee, the BCA Secretariat and the rest of the BCA Council for all their support throughout 2021.

AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS

Audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021



2022 CALENDER OF - ACTIVITIES

Sn	Tournament	Venue	Date
1	All Africa Men's and Women's Championships 2022	Kampala, Uganda	14 - 17 Feb
2	All Africa Individual Championships 2022	Kampala, Uganda	18 - 20 Feb
3	1st Africa Coaching Workshop	Kampala, Uganda	21 - 22 Feb
4	Uganda International 2022 (International Challenge)	Kampala, Uganda	24 - 27 Feb
5	Uganda Junior International 2022 (Junior Future Series)	Kampala, Uganda	28 Feb - 2 Mar
6	BWF Administration Course	Johannesburg, South Africa	15-17 Apr
7	BCA Strategic Plan Meeting	Johannesburg, South Africa	17 Apr
8	Shuttle Time Presentation Meeting	Orangemund, Namibia	30 Apr - 3 May
9	Shuttle Time Teachers Meeting	Orangemund, Namibia	30 Apr - 1 May
10	National Training Camp	Orangemund, Namibia	2 - 4 May
11	BWF Members Forum	Bangkok, Thailand	06-May
12	BWF AGM	Bangkok, Thailand	07-May
13	TotalEnergies BWF Thomas and Uber Cup Finals 2022	Bangkok, Thailand	8 - 15 May
14	Shuttle Time Presentation Meeting	Conakry, Guinea	27 - 29 May
15	Shuttle Time Presentation Meeting	Banjul, Gambia	30 May - 3 June
16	African University Games 2022	Nairobi, Kenya	6 -10 June
17	BCA AGM	Johannesburg, South Africa	25-Jun
18	BCA Strategic Plan Brainstorming	Johannesburg, South Africa	25-Jun
19	MA Activation Meeting	Eswatini	July
20	SAINT-DENIS Reunion Open 2022 (International Challenge)	Saint-Denis, Reunion Island	13 - 17 Jul
21	Commonwealth Games 2022	Birmingham, England	29 Jul - 4 Aug
22	TotalEnergies BWF World Championships 2022	Japan	21 - 28 Aug
23	BCA Media Workshop	TBC	June
24	Africa Gender Equity Online Conference	Online	TBC
25	BCA Umpires Accreditation Workshop	Egypt	August
26	BCA Umpires Accreditation Assessment	Egypt	August
27	African Youth Games / All Africa U19 Championships 2022	Egypt	August

28	Region 2 U17 Training Camp	ТВС	19-21 Aug
29	U17 African Region 2 Championships 2022	ТВС	22-24 Aug
30	Cameroon International 2022 (International Series)	Yaounde, Cameroon	25 - 28 Aug
31	BWF Level 1 Coaching Course	Yaounde, Cameroon	29 Aug - 5 Sep
32	Lagos International 2022 (International Challenge)	Lagos, Nigeria	31 Aug - 3 Sep
33	Shuttle Time Presentation Meeting - Libya	Tunis, Tunisia	Oct
34	National Umpires Course	Maseru, Lesotho	Oct
35	Benin International 2022 (Future Series)	Cotonou, Benin	8 - 11 Sep
36	Benin Junior International 2022 (Junior Future Series)	Cotonou, Benin	12 - 14 Sep
37	All Africa Para Badminton Championships 2022	Kampala, Uganda	12 - 18 Sep
38	Uganda Para Badminton International 2022	Kampala, Uganda	19 - 25 Sep
39	Africa Para Badminton Workshop	TBC	Oct
40	BCA Basic Coaching Coruse	TBC	Oct
41	MA Activation Meeting	Tanzania	Oct
42	Egypt International 2022 (International Series)	Cairo, Egypt	13 - 16 Oct
43	BWF World Junior Mixed Team Champion- ships 2022	Spain	17 - 22 Oct
44	Algeria International 2022 (Future Series)	Algiers, Algeria	20 - 23 Oct (TBC)
45	Algeria Junior International 2022 (Junior Future Series)	Algiers, Algeria	24 - 26 Oct (TBC)
46	Players webinars / online trianing	Online	Nov
47	Events Management Course	TBC	Nov
48	BWF Level 1 Course	Lusaka, Zambia	Nov
49	BWF World Para Badminton Champion- ships 2022	Japan	1 - 6 Nov
50	BWF Level 2 Course	TBC	TBC
51	Zambia International 2022 (Future Series)	Lusaka, Zambia	17 - 20 Nov
52	Botswana International 2022 (Future Series)	Lobatse, Botswana	24 - 27 Nov
53	BCA Umpires Accreditation Workshop	South Africa	28 - 30 Nov
54	BCA Umpires Accreditation Assessment	South Africa	28 Nov - 04 Dec
55	South Africa International 2022 (Future Series)	South Africa	01 - 04 Dec
56	South Africa Junior International 2022 (Junior Future Series)	South Africa	05 - 07 Dec
57	Shuttle Time Coordinators Meeting	Online	Dec
58	BWF World Senior Badminton Champion- ships 2022	TBC	ТВС
59	BCA School Camp	TBC	TBC
60	All Africa School Championships 2022	TBC	TBC

