



The BASL Debate 2019

Details

When:

Wednesday, 9 October
2019

Registration: 18.00

Event: 18.30

Drinks: 20.00

Where:

Charles Russell Speechlys
5 Fleet Place
London
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Gender & Eligibility in Sport: is it ever justifiable for sporting rules to prevent an athlete from competing within their gender category based on their physical attributes?

The British Association for Sport and Law (BASL) is excited to announce the return of the annual BASL Debate.

Join us on 9 October 2019 for a unique opportunity to hear some of the leading experts in sports administration, law, science and ethics debate one of the most emotive and challenging topics facing the sporting community in 2019.

Millions of sports fans around the world have followed the legal battle between Caster Semenya, the South African Women's 800m World Champion, and the IAAF over Ms Semenya's right to compete. This sensitive and complex case has forced all sports to consider their position on gender and eligibility issues including the status of trans athletes and athletes with differences of sexual development (DSD). The topic encompasses questions around genetics, discrimination, the concept of a "level playing field" and the effect of testosterone (and drugs taken to reduce it) on athletes.

Our two teams of experts will debate the issues in a formal style and the audience will have an opportunity to pose questions and take part in votes. The event will encourage reasoned debate in a respectful atmosphere where all points of view will be respected.

BASL members can attend this event for free and will have priority booking status until 20 September 2019. Spaces are limited to please contact Catherine Forshaw at Catherine@britishsportslaw.com or basl-enquiries@hotmail.com to reserve your place in the audience.

The event will be followed by drinks and an opportunity to catch up with other members and guests.

Stay tuned for announcements regarding our debate team members!

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