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The Australian Weightlifting Federation (AWF) strives to promote weightlifting as a healthy and enjoyable sport for all.

Through its system of clubs throughout our nation the AWF provides quality facilities and expert coaching for beginners through to elite, and organises a recreational and competition program for males and females aged between 12 to 80 plus years.

The AWF, like many other National Sporting Organisations, was delighted to receive the Rudd Governments paper – Australian Sport: emerging challenges, new directions and get an insight into future plans.

“It is very pleasing to learn that the Rudd Government will reform the delivery of our elite sporting programs to minimise duplication and maximise benefits and effectiveness; the AWF has recently embarked on a program to do just that.” said AWF President, Robert Kabbas.

The AWF has for some time identified the need to get more women and girls involved in weightlifting as a lifelong physical activity. Through its member states the AWF has succeeded in attracting more women than ever before by working in close partnership with the Australian Sports Commission, schools and community organisations.

“The AWF is very excited about the direction the Rudd Government is taking and we will do everything possible to support the Government’s initiatives, designed to get more children involved in our activity and encourage those with talent to achieve high level performance on the Commonwealth, World and Olympic platforms”, said Mr. Kabbas.

The AWF looks forward to playing its part in building stronger communities and developing a vibrant, healthy and successful nation.

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