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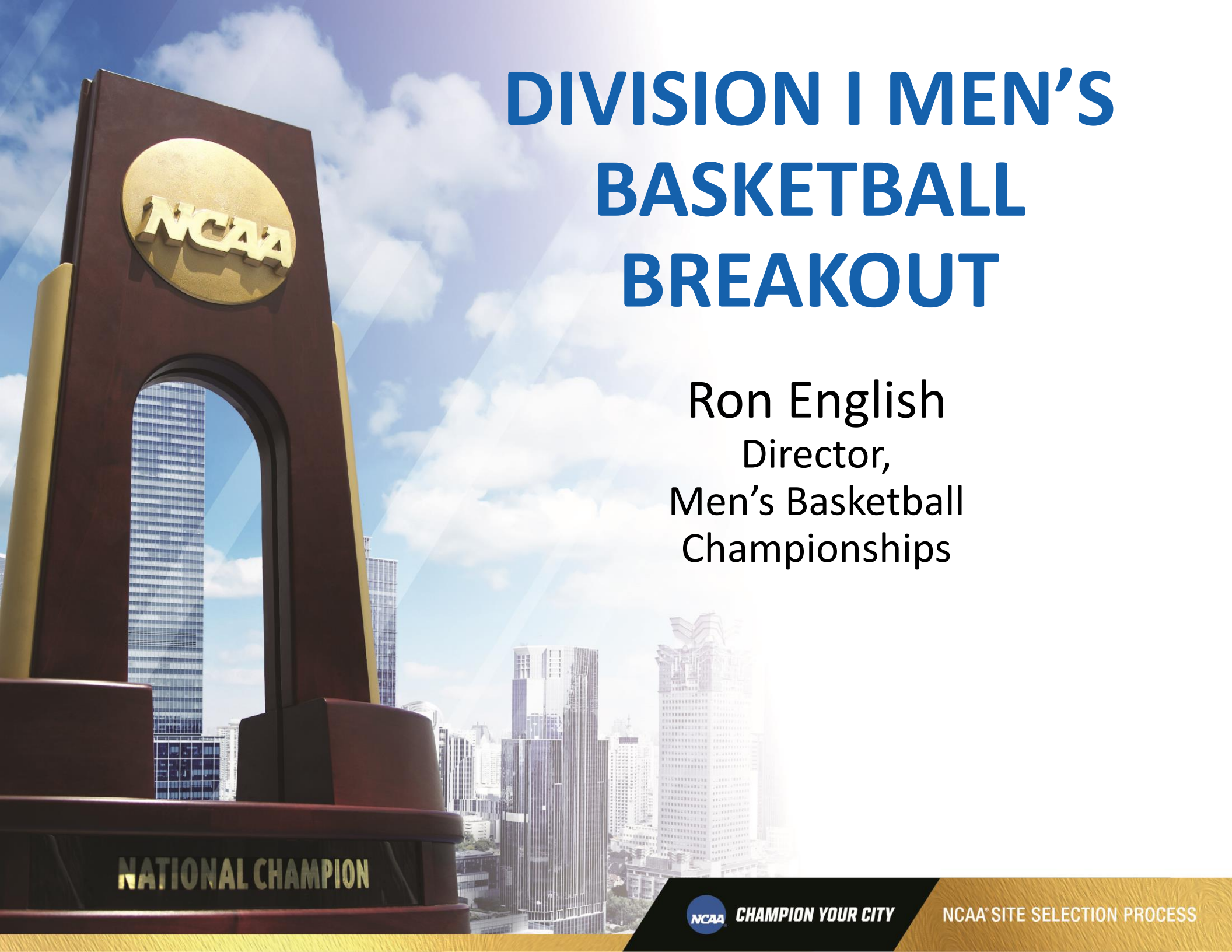
## NCAA® SITE SELECTION PROCESS




# DIVISION I MEN'S BASKETBALL BREAKOUT

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# OPPORTUNITY

## Preliminary Rounds

- Men's basketball has aligned with the other NCAA championships.
- This bid cycle will award sites for 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026.
- Bids in each year will be awarded for:
  - 1 First Four site.
  - 8 first/second round sites.
  - 4 regional sites.

# BID PROCESS

## Bid Requirements

- Championship venues and diagrams (seating/back-of-house).
- Proposed budgets/financial stewardship.
- Enhancements/exceptions, if any.
- Ticket pricing worksheet.
- Hotel contracts.
- Key contact form.
- Safety and security plans.
- Community engagement initiative recommendations.

# BID SPECIFICATIONS

## Competition Venue

- Minimum 10,000-seat capacity.
- Venue can be on or off campus.
- 150-seat capacity media workroom.
- 75-seat capacity media interview room.
- Other back-of-house requirements.
- New construction must be completed at least one year prior to hosting.

# BID SPECIFICATIONS

## Hotels

- Full-service hotels preferred.
  - Team/media hotel. (5 - 9)
  - Game officials' hotel. (1)
- Competitive rates.
- Proximity to venue and airport.
- No planned renovations.
- 15 hotels closest to the competition venue. (full service and select-service)

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## Additional Host Considerations

- Review availability of the venue and dates in bid specifications (NCAA set-up two days before the first games).
- Confirm venue room/space needs and that all meet the standards outlined in bid specifications.
- Consider additional hotel meeting space and room inventory in your city (are there hotel needs for other events in the city at the same time).
- Ensure adequate staffing and volunteer base.

# BID SPECIFICATIONS

## NCAA Considerations

- Airline service and equipment (quality jet service and frequency of arrivals).
- Hosts are from the NCAA Division I membership (membership co-hosts are acceptable).
- Attendance and financial history.
- Honorarium capped at $200,000/$300,000.
- Geographic requirements.

# TIMELINE

- August 26 — Bid portal opened.
- February 3, 2020 — Bid declarations due. (5 p.m. ET)
- February - May — Bid review.
- July – October — Committee deliberations.
- October 23, 2020 — Host sites announced.

# QUESTIONS

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