## RUGBYX PRESS RELEASE



## Union de Argentina become the latest team to be announced as part of RugbyX.

RugbyX and the UAR today announced the Argentina Men's team as the second confirmed participating male team in RugbyX, the international Rugby Union tournament which will take place at London's O2 Arena on 29th October 2019. RugbyX is a new, World Rugby and RFU approved format which sees international Rugby Sevens teams competing in a single-day tournament format.

RugbyX will be played under existing Rugby Union Laws in respect of foul play and breakdown penalties, but will include some law-trial adaptations in order to encourage simple and fast gameplay, including:

- 5 players per team
- Matches to last 10 minutes with no half time
- No line outs quick throws to be taken by a substitute from the team in possession
- No conversions

Announcing the participation of the Argentina men's team, Ben Ryan, Technical Director of RugbyX, said:

"RugbyX is bringing World leading international Rugby Sevens teams into Europe's Number 1 Entertainment Destination - the 02 Arena - for an adapted form of the game we love. RugbyX will provide new and existing fans with an opportunity to support their national team in a brand new rugby environment.

"The Pumas have been ever present in the World Rugby Sevens Series from the outset. Their performance over the last 15 years has been consistently strong and we are delighted to have them as part of RugbyX. Through the coaching guidance of Santiago Gómez Cora, their greatest ever Sevens player, they will be looking to impose their physical presence on the event, and I have no doubt that they will be one of the most popular teams when they arrive in London".

- Santiago Gómez Cora, Head Coach of Argentina Sevens

"RugbyX is a more dynamic alternative, which is played by 5 players. We will be participating in a trial in London with 5 other men's teams this October. We see it as an opportunity to take rugby to new places and add more dynamism to our game".

Tickets will be available for afternoon (16:00 - 18:00) & evening (20:30 - 22:30) sessions and go on sale at 09:00 on 31st May via Ticketmaster and AXS.