

Event Development Service (EDS) MINUTES

20-23 March, 2013

EDS Meeting on 20th March from 14:00 to 18:00

2012 EDS Subcommittee:

Co-Chairs: Gabriela SLAVEC (SLO) & Paolo OGGIONI (ITA)

Members: Alex NAGORSKI (CAN), Stella ROUX DEVILLAS (FRA), Sabrina HANDL (GER), Donatella RICCI (ITL), Andy BAIRD (USA)

• Roll call, apologies for absence

Committee Members present were Paolo OGGIONI, Alex NAGORSKI, Andy BAIRD

Observers Present

Sabu ICHIYOSI	Japan	John GRUBBSTROM	Sweden
Yasu KATSUKI	Japan	Martine BESNAINOU	France
Tadas GEDEVICIUS	Lithuania	Jerzy CZERNIAWSKI	Poland
Zydrunas KAZLAUSKAS	Lithuania	Sandor VEGH	Hungary
Tong LI	China	Sandor HIDAS	Hungary
Sanne HAARHUIS	Netherlands		

• Review of 2012-13 Sanction Events Completed and Actions to be Taken

- 2012 – 20th FAI World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Battle Creek - USA
- 2012 - 56th Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett, Toggenburg Valley - Switzerland
- 2012 - 2nd FAI Hot Air Balloon European Women Championship, Frankenthal – Germany
- 2012 - 1st FAI Junior World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Marijampole – Lithuania
- 2012 - LUXGSM - World Balloon Trophy 2012- Echternach, Luxembourg
- 2012 - 12th Debrecen Cup International Competition - Debrecen, Hungary
- 2012 - Tochigi Hot Air Balloon International Championship - Tochigi, Japan
- 2012 - European Hot Air Balloon Cup Feodosia - Air Brotherhood 2012 (Cat 2) - Fedosia, Ukraine
- 2012 - Stuttgart Linde Open Gas Race (Cat 2) - Germany (4 -6 May, 2012) - CANCELLED due to bad weather

• Review of planning status for Sanctioned Events for 2013-2014 (including Technical Delegates assignment)

a) Sanctioned Category One Events

- 2013 – 18th FAI European Hot Air Balloon Championship, Wloclawek - Poland (08 Sep – 14 Sep)
 - Jerzy CZERNIAWSKI provided update. 80 valid paid entries so far.
 - The rules will be submitted at this Plenary
- 2013 - 57th Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett, Nancy - France, (22 Aug - 30 Aug)
 - Martine BESNAINOU presented a report
 - Submitted the OA. Payment will be made at this meeting
- 2014 - 1st FAI Women's World Hot Air Balloon Championship - Leszno, Poland (08 Sept - 13 Sept)
 - Jerzy Czerniawski presented a report
- 2014 - 21st FAI World Hot Air Balloon Championship, São Carlos, Brazil (18 Jul -27 Jul) – Sanction Withdrawn
 - This event not discussed – deferred to Bureau activities

b) Sanctioned Sporting Event

- 2013 –

• Sanction applications – Bid Process

a) Category One

- 2013 - Tochigi Hot Air Balloon International Championship, Tochigi - Japan (19 Nov – 24 Nov)
- 2013 - 18th Coupe d'Europe de Montgolfieres & Ladies World Cup, Mainfonds– France (1 -4 Aug)
 - *Martine BESNAINOU gave an update report*
- 2014 – 58th Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett, Vichy - France (28 Aug – 6 Sep)
 - *Martine BESNAINOU gave an update report*
- 2014 – 2nd FAI FAI Junior World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Vichy – France (31 Aug – 6 Sep)
 - *Martine BESNAINOU gave an update report*
- 2014 - 21st FAI World Hot Air Balloon Championship, (open)
 - *Lithuania will make a presentation if appropriate based on the Bureau decision tonight*
- 2015 - 19th FAI European Hot Air Balloon Championship, Debrecen, Hungary (11 - 17 Aug) – BID
 - *Sandor HIDAS gave an update report and submitted the Organizer's Agreement*
- 2015 - 3rd FAI Womens European Hot Air Balloon Championship, Drenthe, Netherlands (15 - 19 Sep)
 - *Sanne HAARHUIS presented an update report*

c) Sporting Event

- 2014 – ?

• Event Proposals**a) Category One**

- 2014 – Letter of Intent – 21st World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Lithuania
- 2016 - Letter of Intent – 22nd World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Dubai - UAE
- 2016 - Letter of Intent – 22nd World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Albuquerque - USA (28 Sep – 9 Oct)
- 2016 - Letter of Intent – 22nd World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Saga - Japan (28 Oct – 6 Nov)
- 2018 - Letter of Intent – 23rd World Hot Air Balloon Championship, Albuquerque - USA

• Jury Reports

- *Jury Reports were discussed – no action was necessary*

• EDS Sanction Fee request to review from Japan (Hiromori).

- *Proposal to cap the Sanction Fee to 1,500 chf*
- *Tabled to next year – EDS to review implication over next 12 months*

• Proposal from Japan to check Air Law for all Cat1 events

- *Sabu ICHIYOSI made the request that EDS require event organizers (and organizing countries) to ensure that pilots from invited countries are permitted to fly in the competition airspace, including the validity of the pilot certificate and aircraft airworthiness*
- *Various issues were discussed. It was agreed that it would be very difficult for an organizer to know whether a participating country's pilot certificates were valid outside that country.*
- *Generally, this is only a problem if the pilot- or airworthiness- certificate does not have the support of that country's government. (It is important to note that the certificates do not necessarily have to be issued by the government, as long as the government delegates authority to the organization – perhaps the balloon federation – that issues the certificates).*
- *It would be better for the participating countries to notify the organizer if their pilot- or airworthiness- certificates are not valid outside their home country. Once notified, the organizer*

could then attempt to make arrangements for permission for those pilots/balloons to fly in the competition airspace

- *It was noted that balloons with experimental airworthiness certificates should get permission from the country hosting the event to fly. That permission is not granted automatically for an experimental balloon and should be applied for.*
- *It was agreed that no changes to the sanction requirements are needed at this time.*

- **Review Bureau proposal for PLENARY MEETING 2013**
 - Proposal to reconsider and redefine FAI CAT2 events in aerostation
 - *Possibility to transition to a new system of categorization*
 - *Gold, Silver and Bronze events --- idea is fading*
 - *Table to 2014 and discuss during next 12 months via EDS forum (open to all participants)*
 - Proposal for the introduction of a mandatory CIA RANKING LIST
 - *Not an EDS issue. Leave for other committees – the purpose is to establish a list for anti-doping test requirements*
 - Proposal to make mandatory World-, Continental- and WAG Championship Test Events an integral part of the Championship sanction
 - *Tabled until 2014 – discussion during next 12 months using EDS Forum*

- **Proposed Motions for the 2013 CIA Plenary Meeting**
 - Remove the provision adopted at the 2008 and 2009 Plenary regarding the need of bidders to present at least one proposal for an event with Observers.
 - *Passed by majority, with one abstention.*

- **EDS Plans for 2013**
 - Updating EDS Documents
 - Sanction documents, emphasize dates and NAC involvement
 - Organizers handbook

- **Membership of EDS and nomination of Chairman for 2013/2014**
 - **Paolo OGGIONI (Italy) CHAIR**
 - **Alex NAGORSKI (CAN)**
 - **Tong LI (CHN)**
 - **Lindsay MUIR (GBR)**
 - **Gabriella SLAVEC (SLO)**
 - **Sabrina HANDL (GER)**
 - **Andy BAIRD (USA)**

The meeting was adjourned at 18:10

EDS Motion

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Motion Carried