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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Mark Sullivan, CIA President

I am sitting at the airport waiting to board a plane to Lausanne for the FAI General Conference. On Sunday my first day in Lausanne I will be meeting with all the Presidents of the other disciplines within the FAI. On Monday Commission Presidents and the FAI Executive Board are meeting and Tuesday CASI meets. CASI is made up of all the Commission Presidents, FAI Executive Board, and a representative from 11 NACs.

The FAI is heavily invested in the new Air Game Series Events both in their effort and finances invested. It will be important for all FAI Commissions to support this effort. This new direction may seem the FAI is in direct conflict with their Commissions. It is not only ballooning that is having problems finding organizers and venues for our events, it is all Commissions. The FAI is heading down this new path as they are very concerned about the future of the FAI. Their efforts are appreciated but It is my belief we can do a better job than the FAI as we can focus only on ballooning. It takes good management teams to put together good events and the FAI staffing is limited. We in the CIA need support the FAI and work to find new venues to host ballooning events. Each delegate and their balloon federation should be working to find quality sites and organizers to hold championship events in their country.

Experts from several FAI disciplines will be meeting in Wuhan China about the possibility of holding more events in this region. As the FAI expands across the Asia region pilots and official will get the opportunity to see new areas and meet new aviators and fans of our sport. Things are moving at a very fast pace and we can expect to have some new venues for future competitive events.

At the upcoming CIA meeting we will discuss the possibility of having a workshop at our 2019 meeting. This workshop will take about half of our Wednesday and Thursday Working Group and Sub-Committee time slots. It is important we find out what is working and what is not working. Energize our efforts in ways that will maximize our time in our meetings and focus us on our mission and what is important.

The 61st Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett had 21 gas balloons representing 13 countries. The launch took place from Gruyere Switzerland at their local airport. French pilots Vincent Leys and Christophe Houver won the event with a spectacular flight, squeezing through the narrow airspace corridor between Kaliningrad and Belarus, giving them the win.

The 20th FAI European Hot Air Championship in Brissac France. After 9 flights and 23 tasks Stefan Zeberli finished on top with Sergey Latypov 2nd and Roman Hugi 3rd. Garry Lockyer stepped in as Event Director after the unexpected death of David Levin. Garry and his team produced an exceptional and very challenging competition.

As this year quickly come to an end I would like to wish each of you a wonderful holiday season.

Mark Sullivan, CIA Ballooning Commission President

Organizer Agreement

Markus Haggeneby to explain our new Organizer Agreement

3 main objectives

1. Do not over-engineer the process and do not create obstacles for potential bidders.
2. Change the OA into a useful document that guides all parties to better events.
3. Establish a clear legal situation for the cooperation but also for the termination of a cooperation in case this should become necessary.

A long journey, but why did we embark on this and what would this change?

An FAI project that started years ago is now finished. What should have been a fairly straight forward activity requested much more time for discussion and communication than anticipated. This document is a necessary legal contract involving the Organisers, the NACs and FAI.

The goal was to arrive at one common OA for all Air Sport Commissions that protects FAI's interest and makes sure that organisers deliver what they promised but also leaving a level of freedom to the LOC with as little limitations as possible. Further, the common OA however should not interfere into the ASC's autonomy to manage their disciplines.

Things to consider are that the sporting landscape changed; the view on rights and obligations and potential legal implications is more focussed than ever before. The role and influence of media needs to be specified.

Current and future FAI partnerships need to be covered in principle without renegotiating signed OAs. The strict "brand exclusivity" for every single FAI category1 event as in the previous OA is no longer in place since neither the intention nor the funds to activate an exclusive partnership across every single FAI Cat1 event is seen necessary at this stage.

Working on this OA and having been in touch with every stakeholder of the FAI has been a most interesting journey. Many signatories of past OAs went through every single paragraph of the wording and realised the changes which are certainly vital, but not everything in the OA is new.

Air Sport Commission follow different procedures

Whereas each Air Sport Commission looks at "their" OA only, it is natural that most of the ASCs follow their own rules (sporting codes and internal regulations).

Some ASCs run detailed bid processes backed by elaborated application documents and tough deadlines. Few (still) accept late bids with a rather low level of information. There is a risk that late and incomplete bids do not deliver high quality events.

Therefore, the real objective when working on the new OA was not to introduce a new legal document, but assist Air Sport Commissions and organisers in their process to arrive at good (hopefully better) bids and events.

We can see now – already at the beginning of the full roll-out – that the bid-process in all commissions has been addressed.

The new OA in bullet points

To make a long story short, these are the main changes.

1. The bid document on which delegates vote during their Plenary Meeting (or the Bureau decides if so agreed by the Plenary) will become an annex to the new OA.
 - a. It thereby becomes part of the legal document, an annex to a contract.
 - b. Not meeting deliverables as per the bid document without remedy establishes a breach of contract.
2. The content of a bid document is listed in the OA.

- a. The minimum list of requirements should drive the sanction application process within the Air Sport Commissions.
 - b. Whereas not all details can be presented when the bid is submitted, a bidder must at least make a statement when (time) certain requirements will be confirmed.
 - c. With a complete bid, the OA becomes a “tick box exercise” only.
3. Air Sports Commissions are requested to appoint a “controller”
- a. The controller shall act as linking element between the ASC and the future host and this can be seen as a quality check on behalf of the delegates and the FAI.
 - b. The ASC is free whom to appoint; it can be a new function (person) or someone who already has a role as an official.
4. The media section is much more specific
- a. Organisers are reminded to show their best efforts for a media plan.
 - b. The involvement of the FAI Secretariat related to potential production and national/international distribution is better described.
5. The commercial rights section has been completely reworded
- a. There is no longer a global “veto” in place (brand exclusivity), but
 - b. Clear guidance is established on “FAI and partners minimum visibility” and
 - c. Procedures and timelines how to address the sponsorship (exclusive sponsors) and this works both ways, i.e. FAI requesting exclusivity for an FAI-partner or an organiser requesting exclusivity (for example a title sponsor).
6. The jury is substantially better protected in case of a cancellation
- a. Until now and according to the General Section, the Jury President can terminate the event. This puts a heavy potential legal burden on the jury’s shoulders.
 - b. The OA allows the Jury to interrupt the event (usually for safety reasons).
 - c. The legally binding cancellation of the Organiser Agreement can only be done by the FAI Secretary General and with a mandatory involvement of the Air Sport Commission.
 - d. This way, the Jury can fulfil their duties on the field of play but are protected against the legal threat that might come from an organiser that disagrees with the need to terminate the Organiser Agreement.
 - e. The FAI General Air Sports Commission CASI will soon propose a reworded General Section paragraph
7. The signatories of the OA
- a. The ASC president signs the OA as a visible confirmation that this OA and the annex follows a voting procedure during a Plenary or Bureau meeting; this is the ASC commitment to the presented bid.
 - b. As before, since ACS are not an independent legal entity, the legally binding FAI signature will be done by the FAI Secretary General.
8. Commission specific annexes
- a. ASCs are free to add annexes to the OA that regulate their specific details (financial matters related to sanction fee/performance bond).

What comes next?

The work on the new OA and the many discussions point at the urgency that ASCs discuss “best practices”. This refers to sanction application documents at this point mainly; but the discussions also started already on discussing tools and technical advancements in the commissions for the improved presentation of sports (measuring, scores/results presentation, instant results, onboard footage production etc). Looking into sanction fees and the different handling and understanding of performance bonds will be to the benefit of ASCs.

FAI is cooperating with the FAI Global Technological Partner “Noosphere” on the implementation of an Event Management System. This system will also directly access the Sporting License database and allow an improved checking of the SLs but the eTool will deliver further benefits managing the event.

Concrete action points

- FAI offers to present the OA and its philosophy in ASC plenary meetings.
- OA specimen are available on request. ASCs should share these with potential bidders. Please note that the official OA will only be issued by the FAI Secretariat in Lausanne once the event has been awarded.
- A dedicated section on the recently relaunched website www.fai.org will assist ASCs and organisers.
- FAI offers to present the Event Management tool to the Plenaries.
- FAI will give guidance related to the available services of FAI partners (e.g. DHL, Noosphere).

Further information

Please do not hesitate to contact Markus Haggeneby (sports at fai.org) for more information. This support offer extends to ASCs but also to future potential bidders.

Questions?

FAI Awards and nomination procedures,

by Hans Åkerstedt, CIA Bureau Awards WG

The art of balloon and airship flying depend a lot on the enthusiasm, work and devotion to our sport by many individuals and groups of persons. They spend a lot of time to spread and develop the sport through education, instruction, event organisation or technical development. What can we do to recognise their work and to reward them?

One way is to nominate them for an award. The CIA and FAI has a large number of those and nominations should be encouraged. For most of the awards, nominations shall be made by NAC's to FAI office, so the trick is to make the NAC's aware of possible candidates.

All balloon federations and balloon clubs – make your proposals to your national FAI members. Below is a summary of CIA/FAI awards and a short description of the nomination procedure.

CIA Sporting Badges, Sporting Code, section 1, chapter 8.

These are available in silver, gold and gold with one, two or three diamonds.

Each require recognised performance in distance, duration, altitude and precision. Detailed requirements are found in the Sporting Code. Application form is available on the CIA web site, documents section. Send application to FAI office.

MONTGOLFIER DIPLOMA, FAI By-Laws, chapter 7.2

Awarded for best performance during the previous Montgolfier year in gas, hot air or Rozière balloons and for a major contribution to the development of ballooning in general.

Nominations by NAC's to FAI office latest 60 days before the CIA plenary meeting.

Note: The Montgolfier year starts on November 21st and ends on November 20th the following year.

SANTOS-DUMONT GOLD AIRSHIP MEDAL, FAI By-Laws, chapter 7.3

Equivalent for airship pilots of the Montgolfier diploma

Awarded for best sporting performance during the previous Montgolfier year in airships or for a major contribution to the development of airship flying in general.

Nominations by NAC's to FAI office latest 60 days before the CIA plenary meeting.

FAI AIR SPORT MEDAL, FAI Statutes 10.7

For outstanding services in air sport activities, training or education.

Any number may be awarded to individuals or groups. Order forms are available at the FAI web site, documents page. Invoice for CHF 100 will be sent from FAI office.

The following are FAI General awards available for ballooning. Applications to FAI office before 31 May and shall cover performances until 31 December the preceding year or contributions over a longer period. Citations shall not exceed 250 words. Other supporting documents may be attached. The awards will be given at the FAI General Conference to recipients present. The 2018 GC will be in Luxor, Egypt, in October 2018.

FAI GOLD AIR MEDAL, FAI Statutes 10.2

One of the FAI's two highest awards. Given to those who have contributed greatly to the development of aeronautics by their activities, work or achievements. Since 1925, 76 Gold Medals have been awarded including 7 for ballooning and 1 for airship achievement.

FAI SILVER MEDAL, FAI Statutes 10.9

For persons having occupied high office in FAI or in a national organisation and have shown exceptional leadership and influence to the benefit of the whole air sport community.

FAI BRONZE MEDAL, FAI Statutes 10.3

Only the FAI Secretary General may make nomination for this award. The Medal is reserved for persons who have rendered eminent services to the FAI in administrative work, in Commissions, or in the organisation of FAI sporting events.

DE LA VAULX MEDAL, FAI Statutes 10.5

This medal is given automatically to all holders of recognised absolute world records established during the previous year.

Count Henry de la Vaulx was founder and past president of the FAI. He flew Gordon Bennett 1906

SABIHA GÖKCEN MEDAL, FAI Statutes 10.8

The Medal is reserved for the woman who performs the most outstanding achievement in any air sport in the previous year. Sabiha Götzen was Turkey's first woman pilot and in 1937 became the world's first female military pilot.

NILE GOLD MEDAL, FAI Statutes 10.10

This medal may be awarded to a person, group of persons or organization to reward distinguished work in the field of aviation and space education, particularly during the year preceding its award. The medal is donated annually by the Aero Club of Egypt.

OUTSTANDING AIRMANSHIP DIPLOMA, FAI Statutes 10.11

It shall be awarded to a person or a group of persons for a feat of outstanding airmanship in sub-orbital flight during one of the previous two years which resulted in the saving of life of others or was carried out with that objective.

PAUL TISSANDIER DIPLOMA, FAI Statutes 10.12

May be awarded to those who have served the cause of aviation in general and sporting aviation in particular, up to three diplomas per FAI Member, depending on their class of membership, may be awarded. Paul Tissandier was a balloonist and Secretary General of FAI from 1919 to 1945.

FAI GROUP DIPLOMA of HONOUR, FAI Statutes 10.14

An FAI Group Diploma of Honour may be awarded to a group (design offices, scientific bodies, aeronautical publications, etc.) that has contributed significantly to the progress of Aeronautics or Astronautics during the previous year or years.

BREITLING MILESTONE TROPHY, FAI website, documents

The Trophy is reserved for an individual or a group of individuals having achieved a significant milestone, technological step or invention in aeronautics or astronautics, and that might contribute to future developments.

BREITLING YOUNGSTER AWARD, FAI website, documents

This Award is reserved for a youngster who, during the 12 months preceding the nomination deadline and before the date of his 26th birthday: achieved an outstanding sporting performance or excelled in a certain area of his sport or significantly contributed to the development and promotion of aeronautics or astronautics.

H.R.H. PRINCE ALVARO de ORLEANS-BORBON GRANT, FAI website, documents

To Persons or institutions who have devoted themselves to create and/or promote technical developments and innovation in sport aviation. Additional consideration will be given to projects.

Nominations should be received in writing by the FAI Head Office latest 30 June (using the Prince Alvaro de Orleans-Borbon Grant Nomination Form available on FAI website) (members[at]fai.org)

IOC Women and Sport trophy, FAI website, documents

Awarded annually to promote the advancement of women in sport. They recognize outstanding achievement and contributions made to develop encourage and strengthen the participation of women and girls at all levels in the sports world. There is annually one trophy worldwide and one each for the continents.

Nomination forms will be posted to national Olympic committees.

FAI RECOMMENDED MUSEUM recognition, FAI By-Laws 10.1

The FAI may give recognition to deserving venues such as museum collections, special exhibitions, etc, which educate the public, particularly children and young people, in the history and practice of air sport, aeronautics (including commercial and military aviation) and astronautics.

EDS update

Les Purfield, CIA Event Development Services Sub Committee

At the Plenary meeting in March we agreed to extend the bidding deadline for the 2018 Junior Worlds until May 31st, 2017 and the 2019 Europeans until 1st September 2017. EDS only received one bid for the 2018 Junior Worlds, this was from Poland. The event was sanctioned by the Bureau on 15th June, and will be held in Woclavek 11th to 18th September 2018.

Likewise, EDS only received one bid for the 2019 Europeans, this was from Majorca, Spain. EDS have reviewed the bid and although it still requires some additional work, they recommended that this bid should be added to the agenda of the 2018 Plenary meeting, so that Delegates may vote to accept or reject the bid. The final documents will be published on the CIA Events web page in mid January.

Other Cat 1 events that were sanctioned since the Plenary were 2018 62nd Gordon Bennett. This was sanctioned in accordance with the Gordon Bennett bid process. The 62nd Gordon Bennett will be held in Bern, Switzerland from 27th September to 6th October 2018.

EDS have also generated a new document detailing the bidding process for all CIA Events. This document reflects the bidding process as currently in the Sporting Code Section 1, and therefore when it is approved the references in Section 1 will be removed. It also reflects the requirements of the new FAI Organiser Agreement, and list all the documents that have to be supplied with any bid. This document also includes the Sanction Application forms for Category 1 and CIA Sporting Events, it also has sample documents that are required for the Organiser Agreement.

When a bid is approved by the Plenary or the Bureau, the Sanction Application and all the supporting documents become part of the Organiser Agreement that will be raised by FAI. It is therefore important that all organisers fully complete the required documents before submitting a Sanction Application.

Future events:

We had two intentions to bid presented at the 2017 Plenary from Slovenia, for the 2020 FAI World Hot Air Balloon Championship and Croatia for the 2020 FAI Women's World HABC. We are expecting the full bids to be received and to be on the agenda in March. No other intentions to bid have been received.

Check the events table for events that are open for bidding. Please note that the deadlines have passed for any events in 2019.

CIA Bureau decisions 2017

The CIA Bureau decided:

1. April 19, 2017

CIA EDS Request to sanction three sporting events:

- CE Cup - Hungary
- Minsk Cup - Belarus
- Coupe d'Europe - France

The bureau has reviewed and granted the sanctions.

2. April 20, 2017

CIA RSC to approve the new wording in the AXMER2017:

- Approve new wording of 1.2 and 14.9:

The bureau has reviewed and approved.

3. April 26, 2017

CIA Jury SC Request to jurors for the CIA World HABC 2018:

Jury to be:

- Jury President: Garry Lockyer
- Jury Member: Mark Sullivan
- Jury Member: Johann Fuerstner

The bureau has reviewed and approved.

4. May 15, 2017

CIA EDS Request to sanction a sporting events:

- Open national championship – Murska Sobota 2017 - Slovenia

The bureau has reviewed and granted the sanction.

5. June 15, 2017

CIA EDS Request to sanction the FAI Junior World HABC 2018:

- Woclavek, Poland 11 – 18 September 2018

The bureau has reviewed and granted the sanction.

6. June 27, 2017

CIA EDS Request to change ED and DED for Europeans:

Proposed change:

- ED – Garry LOCKYER (CAN)
- DED – Servane DEJOUR (FRA)

The bureau has reviewed and granted the change.

7. August 5, 2017

CIA RCS Request to approve the the new CIA BX-MER:

The bureau has reviewed and approved.

8. August 7, 2017

CIA EDS Request to change Safety Officer for Europeans:

Proposed change Jacques Bernardin resigned:

- New Safety Officer – Benoit Pelard (FRA)

The bureau has reviewed and granted the change.

9. August 30, 2017

Jury SC Request to change Juror for 4thn European HABC 2017:

Proposed change appointed new juror:

- Juror – Ilona Gizatullina (Russia)

The bureau has reviewed and granted the change.

10. September 1, 2017

CIA EDS Request to Sanction the 62nd Gordon Bennett 2018:

- Bern (Switzerland) 27/09/2018 – 06/10/2018

The bureau has reviewed and granted the sanction.

4th FAI Women's European HAB Championship

Moniek Vande Velde

It was an honour for me that the CIA put trust in me, a woman, to direct this Women's Championship.

The 3rd FAI Women's HAB Championship in Witteveen NED had been wet and windy.

The 4th FAI Women's HAB Championship in Leszno POL was less wet yet much more windy.

Continuous strong winds and overcast skies made both the decision To Fly or Not to Fly and the task setting challenging.

The pilots were required to call upon their skills to the maximum. Take-offs and landings were strenuous.

Flying the tasks required fast thinking, fast calculating, fast decision making and fast reacting. After a FIN, 2 JDGs, a HWZ, flying a Donut (3D Shape Task) and calculating its impact on a FON, all six tasks within one hour, is no piece-of-cake.

I am very proud of the Lady Pilots, they showed guts!

Yet the whole Event carried a Ladylike character. It was held in a very courteous and very friendly atmosphere.

Beate Choma (POL) was the winner!

To top it all off, at the end of this Competition a great number of the Gordon Bennett gas balloons flew over our host town at exactly the same moment as our Prize Giving Ceremony!

I owe a deep respect and gratitude to all Officials. Each one of them excelled in his/her own specific domain.

But above all congratulations to the Ladies and their crews!

Moniek Vande Velde

Event Director 4th FAI Women's European HAB Championship,
Leszno, Poland, 04 Sep to 09 Sep 2017



FAI / CIA Awards at the 2017 Plenary

	Nominations	Awarded
Montgolfier Diploma-best performance Gas Balloon	Kurt Frieden-Pascal Witpraechtiger (SUI)	Kurt Frieden-Pascal Witpraechtiger (SUI)
Montgolfier Diploma-best performance Hot Air Balloon	Sebastian Msuya (CAN) Rhett Heartsill (USA)	Sebastian Msuya (CAN)
Montgolfier Diploma – Contribution to the Sport	Ales Kubicek (CZE) Ireneusz Cieslak (POL)	Ales Kubicek (CZE)
Montgolfier Diploma-best performance Rozière Balloon	Fedor Konyukov (RUS)	Fedor Konyukov (RUS)
Santos Dumont Gold Airship Medal	No nominations	
CIA Hall of Fame Inductees		Tracy Barnes (USA), Living Geoff Green (HK), Posthumous
FAI Silver Medal	No nominations	
FAI Gold Air Medal	No nominations	



FAI Awards for Ballooning 2017
Nomination Form
(one form per nomination)

Name of the Award:

- Montgolfier Diploma / best sporting performance in Gas Ballooning (By-Law 7.2.1.2.1)
- Montgolfier Diploma / best sporting performance in Hot Air Ballooning (By-Law 7.2.1.2.2)
- Montgolfier Diploma / best sporting performance in Roziere Ballooning (By-Law 7.2.1.2.3)
- Montgolfier Diploma / contribution to development of ballooning (By-Law 7.2.1.2.4)
- Santos-Dumont Gold Airship Medal (By-Law 7.2.2)

Submitted by:

NAC :|.....|

Name :|.....|

Position / Function :|.....|

Date :|.....|

Signature and stamp :|.....|

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Nomination for:

Name :|.....|

Birthdate :|.....|

E-mail address :|.....|

Reasons for nomination (maximum 250 words, English only):|.....|

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Please provide at least one high resolution picture of the nominated person, if possible taken while practicing his/her sport or beside his/her (model) aircraft.

All nominations must be received at the FAI Head Office by **15 January 2017** at the latest in electronic format (to members@fai.org) **preferably** or by fax or post.

HALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORM



HALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORM

Nominated person

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Nationality: _____

Date of Birth: (Year/Month/Day): _____

Date of Death (Year/Month/Day): _____

Short Biography (10 lines):

Achievements, honours and awards:

Photographs attached:

Please send this completed form to the CIA Secretary. A full CV may be requested later.

Nominating person:

Name:

NAC:

Date:

POINTS FOR ACTION – TO DO LIST 2017
RESULTING FROM THE 2017 CIA PLENARY MEETING
Hong Kong, 18 – 19 March 2017

Who	What	Follow-up	Start date	Deadline	CIA 2017 Plenary Minutes item #
All delegates	Provide written national activity report to CIA secretary	CIA secretary		Dec 31, 2017	11
All delegates	Provide 2017 CIA statistics questionnaire to CIA secretary	CIA secretary		Dec 31, 2017	11
Jury Board	The Jury Board keep a NO SHOW register that Event Directors, EDS and CIA delegates should be aware of.	Jury Board Chair	verify	Dec 31, 2017	12
Jury Board	The jury tests for Entry and Intermediate levels have been updated. Update of test for Senior level and BX qualification is in progress. When General Section is updated, the Jury Board will publish a refresher test	Jury Board Chair	verify	Plenary 2017	12
Officials SC	Migration of ENB to FAI webpages	Officials Chair	verify	Plenary 2017	13
Officials SC	FAI Identity cards for officials instead of FAI License (due to cost)	Officials Chair		Verify with FAI	13
EDS	Update all EDS documents	EDS chair	Plenary 2012	Ongoing	14
Competitors SC	Asks the CIA to create a separate competitor email list	CSC chair	Plenary 2014	Pending FAI verification	19

CIA JURORS LIST 2017

The 2017 list of approved Jurors below is to be used when making nominations for Juries for 2018 Sanctioned Events

SENIOR LEVEL JURORS	BX	INTERMEDIATE LEVEL JURORS	BX	ENTRY LEVEL JURORS	BX	ENTRY LEVEL JURORS	BX
Gary BRITTON (USA)		Martine BESNAINOU (FRA)		Adam BARROW (AUS)		Ilona GIZATULINA (RUS)	X
Don CAMERON (GBR)	X	John DAVIS (USA)		Marnix DOBBELAERE (BEL)		Yury MITYAGIN (RUS)	
Jakob BURKARD (SUI)	X	Johann FÜRSTNER (AUT)		Hiromi FURUKAWA (JPN)		Stephen JONES (GBR)	
Thomas FINK (GER)		John GRUBBSTRÖM (SWE)		Luc van GEYTE (BEL)	X	Tong LI (CHN)	
Garry LOCKYER (CAN)	X	Dominik HAGGENEY (GER)	X	Mike GILLIGAN (USA)		Silvia MEINL (GER)	X
Alex NAGORSKI (CAN)	X	Salvator HAIM (BRA)		David GLEED (CAN)			
Les PURFIELD (GBR)	X	Gerrit HEIRMAN (BEL)	X	Stefan HANDL (GER)	X		
Debbie SPAETH (USA)	X	Cees van HELDEN (NED)		Torben HANSEN (DEN)			
Bengt STENER (SWE)		Sandor HIDAS (HUN)	X	Patrick KEARLEY (GBR)	X		
Mark SULLIVAN (USA)		Nancy van HUFFEL (BEL)		Cathy KNUCHEL (CAN)			
Jean Claude WEBER (LUX)	X	Sabu ICHIYOSHI (JPN)	X	Robertas KOMZA (LTU)			
Hans ÅKERSTEDT (SWE)	X	Vladimir KARNAUKOV (UKR)		Tomasz KUHCINSKI (POL)			
Claude WEBER (LUX)		Dave MORGAN (GBR)	X	Igor LOBASHOV (UKR)			
		Koji OHTA (JPN)		Alexander MAVRIN (RUS)			
		Rudy PAENEN (BEL)	X	Gerard GRANGE (FRA)			
		Brita PETERSEN (GER)	X	Gren PUTLAND (AUS)			
		Danny SHERRILL (USA)		David RAPP (USA)			
		Mary Anne STEVENS (CAN)	X	Shigeo SAKATA (JPN)	X		
		Moniek VANDE VELDE (BEL)		Mike WALLACE (USA)			
		Lindsay MUIR (GBR)		Ruth WILSON (AUS)			
		Hiromori SOEJIMA (JPN)		Maury SULLIVAN (USA)			
		Jaroslav BARAN (SVK)		Dávid PAÁL (HUN)			
		Zoltán PÁLHEGYI (HUN)	X	Mike MEINL (GER)	X		
		Eugenijus KOMAS (LTU)	X	Ivan MENYAYLO (RUS)			
		Deividas PINKEVICIUS (LTU)	X	László MÉSZÁROS (HUN)			
				Derry MOORE (GBR)			
				Ferenc NÁDHÁZI (HUN)			
				Mako OIWA (JPN)			
				Paolo OGGIONI (ITA)			
13	8	25	11			35	7
The above are qualified to serve as Jury President or Member at any type of event		The above are qualified to serve as Jury President at any type of event except World Championships, and as Jury Member at any type of event					
Total Jurors	73						
Total Jurors BX	26						

CIA JURY BOARD 01-12-2016
Hans Åkerstedt

CIA SANCTIONED EVENT RESULTS - 2017

CATEGORY ONE

20th FAI European Hot Air Balloon Championship – Brissac, France (22 – 27 Aug 2017)

1	Stefan Zeberli (SUI)	6	Helmut Poettler (AUT)
2	Sergey Latipov (RUS)	7	Rimas Kostiuskevicius (LTU)
3	Roman Hugi (SUI)	8	Marc Blaser (SUI)
4	Rokas Kostiuskevicius (LTU)	9	Ivan Ayala (ESP)
5	Uwe Schneider (GER)	10	David Hochreutener (SUI)

4th FAI Women's Europeans Hot Air Balloon Championship – Leszno, Poland (04 – 10 Sep 2017)

1	Beata Choma (POL)	6	Migle Vaituleviciute (LTU)
2	Agne Simonaviciute (LTU)	7	Kristine Vevere (LAT)
3	Elisabeth Kindermann (AUT)	8	Silvia Meinel (GER)
4	Lindsay Muir (UK)	9	Daria Dudkiewicz-Golawska (POL)
5	Daiva Rakauskaite (LTU)	10	Sanne Haarhuis (NED)

61st Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett – Gruyeres, Switzerland (08 – 10 Sep 2017)

1	Vincent Leys/Cristophe Houver (FRA)	6	Himke Hilbert/Dominik Haggene (GER)
2	Kurt Frieden/Pascal Witpraechtger, (SUI)	7	Thomas Lewetz/Christian Wagner (AUT)
3	Arnulfo Gonzalez Redondo/Angel Aguirre Rial (SPA)	8	Krzysztof Zapart/Bazyli Dawidziuk (POL)
4	Laurent Schiboz/Nicolas Tieche (SUI)	9	John Edward Rose/Colin Butter (UK)
5	Heinz-Otto Lausch/Tobias Lausch (GER)	10	Barbara Fricke/Peter Cuneo (USA)

REMINDERS

Future Competitions

The CIA Competition calendar has new events which may be attractive to some organizers and NAC's. Please take a look and see which events could be hosted by experienced organizers in your country. Ask the organizers if they are interested and contact EDS for information and assistance in working with these organizers.

Let's plan for many events in the future to develop new competitors.

EDS Chair: Les Purfield, EDS Chair

CIA Statistics

Members are reminded of their obligation under Chapter 8 of the CIA Internal Regulations to make an annual return of their national statistics. The CIA must rely more and more on these statistics to defend its position and interests in FAI, and an accurate return is therefore very important. All Delegates are urged to make a return on the new more detailed form attached to this newsletter, which should be returned to the **CIA Secretary by the 31st January 2018**

In 2017 the **COMPETITOR'S RANKING LIST** does not need to be submitted along with the return of the statistics as a new web based system has been implemented, nevertheless we kindly suggest that you submit a copy for this year.

20th FAI European Hot Air Balloon Championship, Brissac (France)



1st place
Stefan Zeberli (SUI)

2nd place
Sergey Latypov (RUS)

3rd Place
Roman Hugi (SUI)

Brissac, France
22 Aug to 27 Aug 2017

4th FAI Women's European Hot Air Balloon Championship



1st place
Beata Choma (POL)

2nd place
Agne Simonaviciute (LTU)

3rd Place
Elisabeth Kindermann (AUT)

Leszno, Poland
04 Sep to 10 Sep 2017

61st Coupe Aéronautique Gordon Bennett – FAI World Long Distance Gas Balloon Championship



1st place

Vincent Leys/Christophe Houver (FRA)

2nd place

Kurt Frieden/Pascal Witprachtiger (SUI)

3rd Place

Arnulfo Gonzalez Redondo/Angel Aguirre Rial (SPA)

Gruyeres, Switzerland

08 Sep – 10 Sep 2017

CIA Championships Calendar and Events Open for Proposals

- World and Continental Championships of the same sub-class, age and gender category shall not be held closer to each other than approximately two years.
- Continental Regional Championships in the same sub-class, age and gender category shall not be held more than once a year on the same continent, or in the same year as a World Championship in that sub-class.

			2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Hot Air Balloons (AX)	General	World	Austria - sanctioned		Slovenia - bid		OPEN
		Continental		Mallorca (Spain) - bid		OPEN	
	Women's	World	Poland - sanctioned		Croatia - Intention		OPEN
		Continental		OPEN		OPEN	
	Junior	World			OPEN		OPEN
		Continental			OPEN		OPEN
Gas Balloons (AA)	General	World					
		Continental					
	Women's	World					
		Continental					
	Junior	World					
		Continental					
	Gordon Bennett		Switzerland – sanctioned	France – winning NAC			
Hot Air Airships (BX)	General	World	Germany - sanctioned				
		Continental					
	Women's	World					
		Continental					
	Junior	World					
		Continental					

- ➡ White background indicates event bids may be accepted for that year
- ➡ Grey back ground indicates NOT open for bidding in that year

The Event Development Service (EDS) invites and encourages all NAC's and Delegates to review the Championship Calendar and consider what competitions they could host in their country in the coming years. Please contact EDS before the CIA Conference so they can help you with your bid and sanction application.

The EDS Chair is: Les Purfield (les.purfield@gmail.com)

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As of 01 December 2017

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Venezuela	Delegate	Mr. Jorge Andres Delano

Venezuela	Alternate Delegate	Mr. Pedro Luiz Gonzalez
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Representative to	EnvC	Mr. Steve IRELAND (AUS)
Representative to	CIEA	No representative
Representative to	CIMP	Dr. David BAREFORD (GBR)
Europe Air Sports		Bureau will appoint if necessary



3rd FAI Junior World Hot Air Balloon Championship – Mariampole, Lithuania

CONFERENCE TIMETABLE



CIA PLENARY MEETING 2018

16th to 17th March 2018

Paguera (Mallorca), Spain

For Guidance only – official time table will be sent later

Agenda Items

All items for inclusion in the agenda for the 2018 Plenary Meeting must reach the CIA President and the CIA Secretary NOT LATER THAN 15th JANUARY 2018. These may then be included in the agenda, which will be mailed in late January 2018. Agenda items should include any supporting documentation and position papers, all of which will be included with the agenda.

Remember that the CIA Plenary Meeting cannot make final decisions on items that do not appear on the agenda.

CONFERENCE DETAILS	TIMETABLE			
<p>DATES 14 & 15 March SC and WG Meetings 16 & 17 March Plenary Meeting</p> <p>MEETING LOCATION TBD Paguera (Mallorca), Spain</p> <p>REGISTRATION Please register by filling the online form: http://www.fai.org/cia-about-us/cia-meetings/37983</p> <p>ACCOMMODATION TBD Paguera (Mallorca), Spain</p> <p>Each attendee is responsible for booking their own hotel rooms.</p> <p>Hotel reservations and payments need to be done directly thru Majorca Balloons ricardo@mallorcaballoons.com</p>	ROOMS	Room tbd Capacity: tbd pers.	Room tbd Capacity: tbd pers.	Room tbd Capacity: tbd pers.
	Tuesday 13th March 2018 – evening			
	Bureau meeting tbd			
	Wednesday 14th March 2018 – meetings in tbd			
	08:30-10:30	Jury Board	BA/BX WG	AX WG
	<i>Coffee Break: 10:30 – 11:00</i>			
	11:00-12:30	Jury Board	AA/AM WG	AX WG
	LUNCH 12.30 – 14.00			
	14:00-15:45	Hall of Fame	Event Development	Scoring WG
	<i>Coffee Break: 15:45 – 16:15</i>			
	16:15-18:00	Public & Media relations	Event Development	Scoring WG
	Thursday 15th March 2017 – meetings in tbd			
	08:30-10:30	Records SC	Officials SC	Rules SC
	<i>Coffee Break: 10:30 – 11:00</i>			
	11:00-12:30	Records SC	Safety & Education	Rules SC
	LUNCH 12.30 - 1400			
	14:00-15:45	S & SC WG	New Technology	Competitors
	<i>Coffee Break: 15:45 – 16:15</i>			
	16:15-18:00	S & SC WG	New Technology	Competitors
	18h30 – 19h30 OPEN FORUM tbd			
	19h30 – 20h30 Opening-Cocktail Reception tbd			
	Friday 16th March 2017			
	ROOM	TBD		
	09.00-18:00	PLENARY MEETING		
	19:30 Evening social event - tbd			
	Saturday 17th March 2017			
	ROOM	TBD		
	09.00-18:00	PLENARY MEETING		

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
CIA PLENARY MEETING 2018
16th to 17th March
Paguera - Mallorca (Spain)**

Dear Delegates and CIA Conference attendees.

To date I cannot give all details about the venues of the next CIA Ballooning Commission Plenary meeting to be held in Hong Kong. I will be gathering all info during the next few weeks and send an update as soon as possible.

CIA Secretary

Web Registration for the Conference

Conference registration will be done through the FAI's online conference registration system at:

<http://www.fai.org/cia-about-us/cia-meetings/37983>

Please look at the suggested hotels at the bottom of the registration web page and decide where you will be staying before you complete the registration form. The participants must directly book hotels. Payment method will be clarified soon as well.

Electronic Plenary Agendas and Minutes

As implemented with success at the 2014 plenary meeting we will again this year use an electronic distribution system

At the start of the 2018 Plenary meeting the attendees will be given a website address and password to access the final agenda, Subcommittee and Working Group minutes and any other files which can be distributed electronically. Internet access will be available to all Plenary attendees.

Although the Secretary will try to display all the material on the overhead projector, it is **strongly** recommended that all plenary attendees bring their own laptop or tablet computers to read the web files.

Link from last plenary is valid for 2018

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ANNEX 1 - CIA ANNUAL STATISTICS QUESTIONNAIRE FOR THE YEAR 2017

FAI Member country	
Name of National Aero Club (the FAI Member)	
Name of National Balloon Federation President	<i>Name</i>
	<i>Phone</i>
	<i>Email</i>
Name and address of National Balloon Federation	<i>Name</i>
	<i>Address</i>
	<i>Phone</i>
	<i>Email</i>
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	<i>Phone</i>
	<i>Email</i>

		AA	AM	AX	BA	BX	TOTAL ¹
1	Number of licensed aerostat pilots (P1)						
2	Number of aerostat pilots under training (PuT)						
3	Number of licensed aerostat flight instructors						
4	Number of aerostats with valid Certificate of Airworthiness (CofA)						
5	Number of active aerostat manufacturers						
6	Number of aerostats built in current year						
7	Number of National Records claimed						
8	Number of FAI World Records claimed						
9	Cost of National Record Fees in US\$ (if any)						
10	Cost of World Record Fees in US\$ (if any)						
11	Number of aerostat accidents ²						
12	Number of aerostat incidents ³						
13	Number of fatalities in aerostat accidents						

14	Number of injured in aerostat accidents						
15	Number of CIA sanctioned FAI CAT1 events						
		AA	AM	AX	BA	BX	TOTAL ¹
16	Number of CIA sanctioned FAI CAT2 events						
17	Number of events not sanctioned by CIA, NAC or Federation						
18	Number of National Championship tasks flown						
19	Number of National Championship participants						
20	Number of FAI Sporting Licenses (aerostation) issued by NAC						
21	Number of FAI Sporting Licenses issued by Balloon Federation						
22	Number of aerostat flights during the year						
23	Hours flown (all aerostat flights) during the year						
						YES	NO
							DON'T KNOW
24	Has your Balloon Federation been delegated the FAI Sporting Powers for ballooning in your country						
25	Do you have a National Ranking List in operation in your country						
26	Is the selection process for FAI Championships (World-, Continental-, WAGs) in your country based on	your National Ranking List					
		the National Championship ranking					
		a combination of both					
27	Does your National Aero Club or Balloon Federation organise dedicated ballooning youth activities						
28	Does your Balloon Federation accept individual members						
29	Does your National Aero Club accept individual members						
30	What is the cost (in \$US) of the FAI Sporting Licence in your country						
31	How many ballooning "officials" (national and international competition officials and observers, jurors, record observers, etc.) do you have in your country						
32	How many ballooning associations (clubs) are there in your country						
33	How many ballooning associations (clubs) are member of your Balloon Federation or National Aero Club						
34	How many commercial balloon operators are there in your country						
35	What are the proportions (in %) in your country of	competition- and record flying					
		recreational flying					
		commercial- and passenger flying					
36	Aerostation Pilot Licences are issued in your country by	Government Authority or Administration					
		National Aero Club					
		Balloon Federation					
37	Aerostation Certificates of Airworthiness (CofA) are issued in your country by	Government Authority or Administration					
		National Aero Club					
		Balloon Federation					

	AA	AX	BX
38	Please indicate the place and dates of your National Championships and give the names of your National Champions <u>Dates:</u> <u>Place:</u> <u>Mr / Mrs</u>	<u>Dates:</u> <u>Place:</u> Mr / Mrs	<u>Dates:</u> <u>Place:</u> <u>Mr / Mrs</u>
39	Please indicate this year's best performance in your country (can be for distance, altitude or duration), and give details re. pilot, aerostat and date.		

¹ TOTAL may be different than sum of all categories.

² accident: any occurrence with bodily harm or death

³ incident: any occurrence without bodily harm or death

Notes: (please add any further relevant information or comment)	
This is a true and accurate summary of statistics for our country as at (date):	
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Thank you to those who submitted articles and photos.

Contributions are welcome and should be sent to the CIA Secretary at the address below.

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