



Minutes of EWF CONGRESS

Friday 5th April 2019 10:00

Hilton Hotel Batumi-Georgia

Meeting started at 10:00

1) Welcome

President Urso welcomed everyone in Batumi and said that is proud to be part of the 50th anniversary and to share the anniversary with activities with coaches and lifters. For the 50 anniversary there will be a folder with official stamp. Also, Urso thanked Kakhi and David for the great championships. This competition will bring some innovation in the organization. Then, IWF GS Jaloud on behalf of IWF thanked EWF and organizers. He continued that we are one family now and IWF EB worked hard and solved the problem to be safely in the Olympic program. We prepared the documents to sign with ITA and after that IOC will be satisfied and everything will be OK. Because if weightlifting will be out, we will lose the prestige and the support of the Government for the sport of weightlifting. I have to ask for one-minute silence for Vladimir Saltykov of Russia. After the minute of silence, he asked everyone to participate in Alexander Kurlovich cup. Again, to thank Dr. Antonio, Akkus and Kakhi for inviting to be here. Weightlifting in Europe is from 18 century.

President Urso gave the floor to Kakhi. Kakhi thanked EWF for giving the opportunity to organize the championships to Batumi in the 50th anniversary of EWF where Urso is leading now this federation. So, we organized a lot of championships but hosting this event is more different because of its special importance and that is a Gold event. He thanked the sponsors and Government of Georgia for the support. Very good support from EWF President and General Secretary and David Goldstrom. A big thank you to ELEIKO for providing the opportunity to have 40 platforms. The President of the country will be presenting at the opening ceremony. We thank Urso and Akkus for the support to have a beautiful design for the championships.

2) Roll Call & Approval of previous Board meeting minutes

E Memaj (ALB), P Alaverdyan (ARM), G Peya (AUT), R Rasulov (AZE), BLR, T Goegebuer (BEL), BUL, N Pechalov (CRO), D Offerman (CYP), P Krol (CZE), F Petersen (DEN), C Iglesias (ESP), T Kuoppala (FIN), JP Bulgaridhes (FRA), GBR, K Kakiasvili (GEO), S Schaefer (GER), A Kochliaridou (GRE), C Buckley (IRL), I Olafsson (ISL), O Shai (ISR), A Urso (ITA), A Hasani (KOS), V Ščerbatihš (LAT), C Antonio (MDA), S Borg (MLT), TS Herikstad (NOR), J Mariusz (POL), A Padure (ROU), M Agapitov (RUS), S Laljek (SLO), Stefano (SMR), M Mihajlović (SRB), J Stefanik (SVK), P Helgesson (SWE), T Taspinar (TUR) total of 36 member federations attended the congress.

Eight persons sit at the head table;

Mr. A Adamfi (IWF General Director), Mr. N Vlad (IWF Vice), Mr. A Urso (EWF President), Mr. H Akkus (GS EWF), Mr. M Jaloud (IWF GS), Mr. K Kakhiashvili (President of GWF), Mr. S Sirtsov (EWF 1st Vice President), Mr. A Hasani (EWF Treasurer).

The Congress Delegates unanimously approved the minutes of the previous Congress held in Zamosc.

3) Information about the Championships

EWF General Secretary Akkus gave information about the competition and warm up area, training area, hotels and food for the European Senior Championships in Batumi, Georgia.



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4) Selection of the Technical Officials

Mrs Tina Beiter, Chairwomen of EWF Technical Committee gave information about the selected technical officials.

Please see annex #1 for the selected Technical officials

5) Report of EWF General Secretary

The EWF General Secretary Dr Akkus gave information about his activities after Junior & U23 EWC in Zamosc-POL in October 2018.

He attended EBU meeting in Geneva with President Dr. Urso and TV Director Mr. Goldstrom on 22nd Jan 2019.

He introduced new module for EWF Seminar & Conference in EWFCEs which is used for online entries for EWF Seminar&Conferences.

He paid a second visit to Batumi to meet city authorities and Georgian WF President on 5-7 Feb 2019 to finalize all details of upcoming Senior EWC in Batumi.

On 7th March 2019, he attended the IWF Congress in Las Vegas.

He was in Tramelan-SUI for EWF Auditor Meeting with President Dr. Urso and EWF Treasurer Mr Astrit on 16th March 2019.

He gave details explanation about calendar of EWF Congress in April 2020.

He proposed to add following sentences in EWF Constitution:

- If a National Federation sent their candidatures for EWF Elections, after the deadline of the candidature procedure the NFs cannot change the names and position of their candidatures.
- If any federation candidate is elected by the congress, it will be the responsibility of that NF to cover the transportation and accommodation cost of their elected officials to the EWF meetings and European Championships.

Please see annex #2 for presentation of the General Secretary.

The Executive Board unanimously approved the report of General Secretary

6) Report of the EWF Treasurer

The treasurer Hasani presented the financial report of EWF from 1st January until 31st December 2018.

Please see annex #3 for report of EWF Treasurer.

The IWF GS Jaloud thanked the EWF treasurer for the very transparent report. He said it will be easier also for the IWF CF Contribution when we have a transparent report like this.

Mr. Vlad said why there is more contribution for Romania when only entry fee we received as support. The treasurer explained all the support that was given to Romania WF with Executive Board approval. Also, GS Akkus put in the screen the Executive Board meeting minutes and the support that was given to Romania. Mr. Vlad at the end remembered the support, said sorry and thanked EWF EB for the support to Romania WF.

The Congress delegates unanimously approved the report of EWF Treasurer.



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7) Report of the Chairwomen/chairmen of TC, CRS C and MC

General Secretary Akkus explained that Medical committee had a meeting and tomorrow in the congress they will report about the medical committee meeting.

Chairwomen of Technical Committee Tina Beiter reported that IWF TCCR Modifications, about the seminar in Slagelse where they were TOs from 15 different countries and there were two category one examinations.

Chairmen of Coaching and Research committee Colin Buckley reported about the coaching and research and Scientific conferences, courses, meetings, the EWF Scientific magazines from April 2016 to 2019. Also, that it has been promoted the 21 century pathway, coaching the next generation and European Coaching Pathway which are athlete centered, coach and performance driven. Collin also presented that under the guidance of IWF it will be launched a unified coach program. In addition, Colin presented also for the coaching seminar in Slovenia and the Icoachkids.

Mr. Jaloud added that he attended the meetings. The EWF deals with scientific research and that's the way to move forward our sport in the scientific way. This way we will achieve good results.

Also Vlad said it is good chairmen of Technical Committee to be sent by EWF in the IWF Technical Committee meetings.

Attila said that the IWF CF could also be used for the chairmen of committees to attend IWF meetings.

Please see annex #4 for report of TC Meeting.

Please see annex #5 for report of MC Meeting.

Please see annex #6 for report of CRSC Meeting.

Coffee Break at 11:15

8) Award well-deserving personalities- proposal by the President

On behalf of Eleiko Group, Mr. Andreas Arden (SWE) was invited to the stage and awarded with EWF Gold Collar for Sporting Merit

9) EWF Constitution

EWF EB member Mr Oren Shai proposed following items to add on EWF Constitution:

Financial Schedule;

Member Federation organising the EWF's European Championships shall pay the following fees determined by EWF Executive Board.

A) European Senior Championships € 9,000 (nine thousand)

B) European Junior & Under 23 Championships € 7,000 (seven thousand)



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C) European Youth Championships € 5,000 (five thousand)

The fee should be transferred/payed to the EWF with in 60 days from the design of the executive board and the confirmation of the congress of the Hosting Nation.

The nations that will organize the championships, if for any reasons are no longer able, to organize the championships, the EWF will not return the Championship Fee.

The nation to be elected by the congress, to host one of this event, and will not be able to organize the championship will inform the EWF Executive Board with in 9 month prior to the date of the event.

If for any reasons, The host country announces that it will not be able to organize the event during the 9 months prior to the event, the host country shell pay a fine in the amount of 10,000 Euro, Unless the hosting country will provide a solution to the satisfaction of the EWF executive board.

GS Dr Hasan Akkus proposed

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The Executive Board unanimously accepted modification on EWF Constitution according to the above proposals.

10) Report of the EWF President

President Urso talked about meeting with EBU in Geneve about the future of the organization. We try to give some interest to the public. Hence, the EBU will give some proposals and we will discuss in the next Executive Board meeting. I'm working with the professional streaming. I have contacted one company and they made a proposal like this. To sell all the package of the competition and you can follow all the competition of the streaming.

Now all the sports are advertising through the streaming. Also this company is able to contact the local sponsors where the competition will take place for the livestreaming activity.

They are able to connect directly with the satellite and the wifi will not be a problem. They can support EWF also for news of special events. So the channel will have all the time news coming from Europe.

We spend a lot of money for TV Broadcasting and at the end we receive not so much money from TV. Now I ask the company to prepare a proposal and in the next EB meeting to give more information about it.

11) 2019 European Championships



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EWF General Secretary regarding the EWF Junior and U23 event in Moldova gave information about problem of MDA WF for the organization. Moldova will give latest information soon. If Moldova WF cannot organize the championships, EWF has another plan B that Israel WF may organize the Youth & U15 and Romania may organize Junior and U23 Championships.

12) 2020 European Championships

a-Senior EWC Moscow April 2020- Mr Maxim Agapitov took the floor to give information about upcoming organization that:

Teams' and Officials' Hotel: AZIMUT Hotel Smolenskaya 4* and YUNOST Hotel Moscow 3*

For VIP-guests: RADISSON Slavaynskaya 4*

Accreditation Fee - € 150 per person.

In addition, **€ 50** for IWF Athlete Special **Anti-Doping Fee** which will be paid by only athletes.

AZIMUT Hotel Smolenskaya 4*

Single occupancy + Full Board - € 170** per person per day

Twin/Double Occupancy+ Full Board € 125** per person per day

**** - including breakfast, lunch and dinner at the hotel.**

Transportation from/to the Airport **€ 40** (€ 20+ € 20) per person

Local Transportation cost **€ 20** per person

b-Youth & U15 EWC Ventspils- President of Latvian WF Mr. Victors Scerbatihs took the floor and gave information about the competition.

13) Proposal by National Federation and the Delegates

14) Anti-Doping

15) Any other matters

The Congress finished at 12:35

Minutes prepared by GS Hasan AKKUS.

Dr Hasan AKKUS
EWF General Secretary

Links for annexes:

[*Annex #1 for the selected Technical officials.....click for download*](#)

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