



World and Continental Gliding Championships

Initial Bid Form

All the information sought in this bid document must be completed prior to its submission. Details, such as a diagram of the airfield, may be included as an Annex. When completed an electronic copy of this form must be sent to the IGC Bid Specialist Mandy <mandytemple.australia.igc@gmail.com> before the closing deadline of September 30 of the year prior to the presentation of the Bid to the IGC Plenary. When the information on this form has been checked and amended as necessary, the IGC Bid Specialist will forward it to the IGC Secretary.

Applicant:

Name: **Aeroclub of the Czech Republic**

Date of Application: **September 19th 2021**

Organising Gliding Club or other organisation: **Aeroclub Zbraslavice, z.s.**

Name and address of National Aero Club:

**Aeroclub of the Czech Republic
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Czech Republic**

Proposed Competition Director: **Matěj Rendla (Martin Hřivna)**

Matěj Rendla, member of Aeroclub Zbraslavice, glider pilot and well experienced competition director who was in charge of 35th World Gliding Championships at Hosín.

(Martin Hřivna, member of Aeroclub Zbraslavice, well experienced competition glider pilot, World Class Vice World Champion at 31st World Gliding Championships at Prievidza)

Proposed Organisation of the event:

Zbraslavice Aeroclub is more than ready to start preparing the airfield grounds for World Championships immediately. We would like to start with promotion of the championship to reach out to potential sponsors which could help us with ensuring all competitors feel like home at our airfield during the whole championship period. We intend to finish the main preparation for the championship year in advance of the championship.

Airfield: **LKZB, Zbraslavice**

Contact person (for the applicant):

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1. **Event and Year**

1.1 Name of Competition

13th FAI Women's World Gliding Championships in the Club, Standard and 18 meter class

1.2 Year of event

2025

2. **Site**

2.1 Name of the airfield

Zbraslavice, ICAO: LKZB

2.1.1 Co-ordinates

**49° 48' 51" N, 15° 12' 06" E
Elevation 1618 ft / 493 m**

2.1.2 Direction and distance to nearest town, population of this town

**2km W, Zbraslavice, 1412 (2021)
14km SW, Zruč nad Sázavou, 4834 (2021)
19km N, Kutná Hora, 20 858 (2021)
20km Čáslav NE, 10 350 (2021)
75km Prague, capital city, NW, 1 337 074 (2021)**

2.1.3 Experience of airfield staff in organising championships

The aeroclub has about 140 members to the date who are perfectly experienced in organizing gliding competitions both at the local, national and worldwide level. The aeroclub hosted IVGR back in 1993 and 2001 as the members are keen on organizing

such events to foster friendship, co-operation and share new experience and tradition among the gliding community. The organizing team doesn't consist only of top Czech glider pilots, pilots from the Czech national team, many other aeroclub members and even Paul Tissandier diploma holder (for dedication to gliding sport), but mainly gliding enthusiasts whose aim is to make everybody feel like home. Aeroclub Zbraslavice organized successful Women's World Gliding Championship in 2017 in Club, Standard and 18m Class with 12 flying days and 48 competitors when not only the champions were selected, but also the friendship among all nations was supported through many championship events. We promote achievements of our pilots through our Czech NAC to ensure the sport is promoted nationally and worldwide within the wider public. As many of our members work in aviation industry and few of them work in HpH Sailplanes factory, we are happy to say we encourage the technical development of the sport.

Just a few reviews from pilots competing the Women`s World Gliding Championship held in 2017:

“Last WWGC in Zbraslavice was one of the best world championships where I participated. Very good professional and loving organization, very good and sovereign team. Weather was fantastic. You just felt very comfortable.”
Sabrina Vogt, Germany

“WWGC in Zbraslavice was good. I will come back with pleasure!”
Melanie Gadoulet, France

“It was a really well organised competition run by a friendly team in a great soaring location.”
Liz Sparrow, UK

“The WWGC in Zbraslavice was one of the best I've ever seen. Fantastic organization, comfortable airfield with plenty of space and great amenities, interesting/fun tasking area, and excellent weather. I will be thrilled to come back!”
Sarah Arnold, USA

“Really well run comp. Would love to go again!”
Jenny Ganderton, Australia

“Perfect organized on the ground (infrastructure) and in the air (weather). A super-duper crew that showed a lot of hospitality.”
Sarah Drefenstedt, Germany

“I keep raving about the comp at Zbraslavice, that was the best organised comp ever, while maintaining a really friendly, fun, laid-back atmosphere!”
Claudia Hill, UK

“WWGC in Zbraslavice was amongst the greatest comp I've ever flown; perfect airfield, smooth organization and an amazing playground to race in the sky! Within the French team we are still regularly talking about this fantastic championship.”
Aude Untersee, France

“I’m looking forward to be there again! It was the greatest champ I’ve ever been. Perfect organization, friendly people, amazing landscape. Argentina will be there for sure.”

Paula Drazul, Argentina

2.2 Proposed period for the event

2.2.1 Training Dates

Unofficial training 19th to 22nd July 2025
Official training 23rd to 25th July 2025

2.2.2 Competition Dates

Contest flying period 27th July to 9th August 2025

2.2.3 Alternate dates for training

Unofficial training 17th to 20th May 2025
Official training 21st to 23rd May 2025

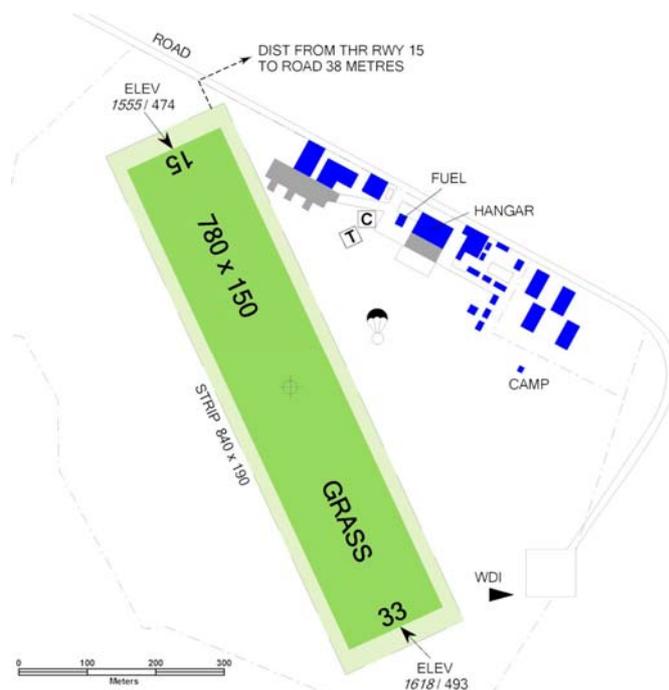
2.2.4 Alternate dates for competition

Contest flying period 25th May to 7th June 2025

2.3. Airfield operating data

2.3.1 Surface of airfield, number and directions of runways

RWY 15/33, grass 780x150m (available 900x150m and surrounding strip for emergency landing)



2.3.2 Number of towplanes that will be employed

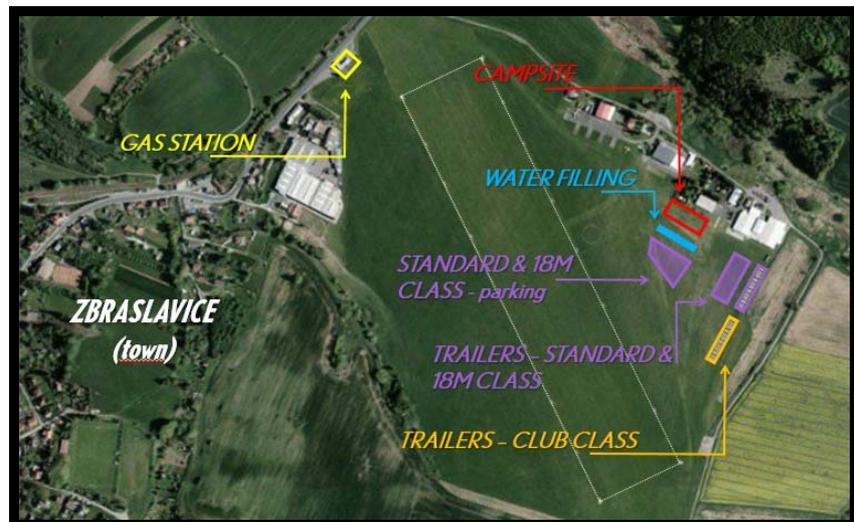
The number of tow planes will correlate to the number of participants. Currently, our team plans on having about 6-8 tugs, Piper Pawnee, Z-526, Z-226 or if Turbo Čmelák type is available at the time.

2.3.3 Meteorological facilities that will be provided

Mgr. Jan Horak who will be in charge of weather forecast and who will be right hand of a task setter is our aeroclub meteorologist with enormous experience speaking about gliding forecasting during national and international competitions. His forecasts are supported by gliding forecast webpage FLYMET (www.flymet.meteopress.cz) and Czech hydrometeorological institute (www.chmi.cz)

2.3.4 Parking facilities for gliders

There is huge area at the airfield earmarked for trailer and glider parking. Gliders from classes flying with water ballast have parking area near water filling area.



2.3.5 Repair facilities for gliders

Hph Sailplanes based in Kutná Hora (19km N) in their company workshop, aeroclub workshop supported by experienced Hph specialist.

2.3.6 Repair facilities for radios and instruments

Local workshop, LX Nav representative will be invited to be available during the whole competition for troubleshooting.

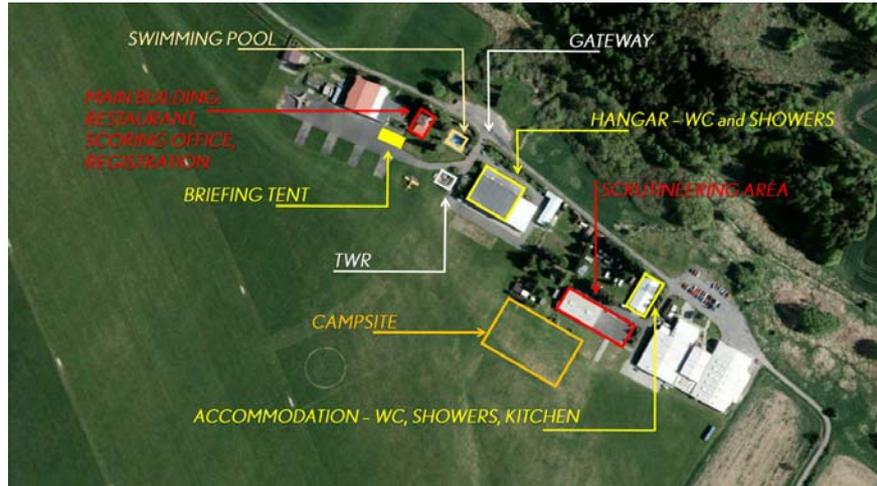
2.3.7 Oxygen requirements and supply facilities, if required

Not required.

2.3.8 What plans do you have to implement the FAI Environmental Code of Conduct during your event?

In general, environmental awareness is at high level around Zbraslavice / Czech highlands. Aeroclub Zbraslavice agrees with all points of FAI Environmental Code of Conduct and its proceeding and plans fulfil all these points.

2.3 Airfield Infrastructure



2.4.1 Briefing Room

Big tent equipped with air conditioning if required in front of the main aeroclub's building, multimedia equipped, WiFi connection, capacity more than 150 people.



2.4.2 Common Room(s) for the competitors

Spacious area of our aeroclub main building, multimedia equipped, Wi-Fi connection, capacity about 80 people.

2.4.3 Meeting Room for the International Jury

- 2.4.4 **Press Centre**
- Offices in the main aeroclub building prepared according to the needs, in basic - multimedia equipped, internet cable/Wi-Fi connection, computer available.
- According to current needs it will be held in the separate area of the common room for competitors in the main aeroclub building or in separate office in the main building. PR will be supported by Czech NAC, national TV, newspapers, websites and social media. Social media person will actively promote the event on social media with the aim of promoting the gliding and its public image.
- 2.4.5 **Communication and internet equipment**
- Great coverage of classic and GSM network (5G, LTE), high speed internet over Wi-Fi, internet cable available in the offices in the main building.
- 2.4.6 **Post and Banking**
- There is an ATM at Zbraslavice town (2km W), possibility of credit card payments at the airfield office.
- 2.4.7 **Insurance availability**
- ČSOB, Allianz, Uniqua
We are available to provide an insurance consultant who specializes in insurance of glider pilots (glider pilot himself).
- 2.4.8 **Toilets, wash rooms and shower rooms and other facilities**
- WC & showers at the main building, main hangar, accommodation building, portable WC available at the grid.
Common kitchen area with fridge, cooker and oven, two washing machines available.
Swimming pool and small children's paddling pool available at the main building area.
- 2.4.9 **Car parking**
- In the campsite for the teams, parking lot in front of the main building (outside the gate or inside). Only registered people or aeroclub members will be allowed to enter non-public part of the airfield.
- 2.4.10 **Emergency (including fire)**
- Available at the airfield according to ICAO standards, local fire station, health centre (with ambulance) and police station at Zbraslavice (2km).
- 2.4.11 **Medical and First Aid**

Local ambulance and health centre at Zbraslavice (2km) with district doctor, pediatrician, gynecologist, dentist and physiotherapy. Hospital is in Kutná Hora (19km).

2.4.12 Conference and office rooms for the OSTIV Congress, if required

Hosting aeroclub is ready to meet any OSTIV Congress requirements. Airfield facilities or a nearby chateau hall (7km) are both available.

3. Accommodation and food for competitors

3.1 Accommodation facilities available in the local area

Accommodation facilities at the airfield (approximately 7-8 rooms for 3-4 persons each), one local hotel in Zbraslavice town (2km) where we can provide a discount thanks to our partnership, beautiful hotel in nearby town Bohdaneč (7km) or many guesthouses in the area (we are willing to help with actual requests made by the teams).



3.2 Camping facilities at the airfield

Fully equipped camping area close to glider parking.



3.3 Catering for competitors at the airfield

Restaurant at the airfield with rich meal options, indoor capacity 100 people (common area included), outdoor seating options.

4. Competition area

4.1 Topography in the contest area

Slightly hilly area with elevation 300-1400m with very good thermal conditions, area suitable for safe outlandings.

4.2 A comprehensive survey of meteorological conditions

The area around Zbraslavice usually provides good thermal triggering conditions in the early morning during summer, therefore, gliding day may start earlier. The area of usual tasks of 300-750km provides good thermals conditions with average cloudbases 1200-2500m AGL with thermals 2-5 m/s. Every area has its bad days of course :)

4.3 Airspace restrictions in the contest area

Task set from Zbraslavice can go in various of directions, West, East, North East or South. The airfield is situated on the border of MTMA Čáslav (NATO base) and close to TMA Prague. The Czech Aeroclub has very good cooperation with both civil and military airspace users and there should not be any significant airspace restriction during the competition. The TMA Prague close to the airfield starts at FL 75, resp. FL 65, maximum height in the whole competition area is FL95.

4.4 Typical tasks to be expected

300-500 km usual daily task in the gliding season, triangle or polygon tasks which will be always aligned according to strict safety measures.

4.5 Road and traffic conditions

Road reconstruction in the airfield surroundings during 2020-2021, great accessibility to big towns and cities.

5. Rules (*Note: The Championships must be conducted in accordance with Annex A*)

5.1 Indicate the options intended to be used from Annex A for:

5.1.1 Starting procedures

Start line 5km radius

5.1.2 Tasks

Racing task, Speed task

5.1.3 Finish procedures

Finish ring 3km radius with applied minimum safety altitude (and with many spots for landing within the Finish ring)

5.1.4 Scoring

1000 points system, no deviation from usual scoring procedures

5.2 Indicate any particular conditions or possible restrictions that may be applied:

5.2.1 For pilots and crews

No special restrictions applied by the organizer, restrictions are subject to current Covid-19 rules and health measures.

5.2.2 For sailplane and equipment

Anti-collision system (Flarm) required, otherwise no special requirements

5.3 Number of competitors:

5.3.1 State the maximum number of competitors that may be entered the competition

Maximum of 90 in total is the decisive number.

5.3.1.1 Provide explanation for this number

Runway length and width ensures safe operations at any time. To our experience 90 number of pilots is the maximum to maintain comfort and avoid any safety concern.



5.3.2 Indicate how the classes will be separated for:

5.3.2.1 Starts

Different start line points for each class.

5.3.2.2 On task

Different directions of tasks between classes with maintaining safety with avoidance of task crossings.

5.3.2.3 Finishing and landing

Width of RWY allows competitors to safely land even during mass landing, in case of need a safety strip is available for landing.

6. Costs (Provide details of the following costs in Euros or USD. The Entry Fee and the Aero Tow Costs are considered as firm estimates that may only be changed in exceptional circumstances and then only with the consent of the Bureau or The Plenum.)

6.1 Entry fee

850 EUR

6.1.1 Services included in the entry fee

Maps, meteorological service, gift package for competitors including T-shirt and skort (shorts and skirt in one popular within women glider pilots) and other gifts from our sponsors.

6.1.2 Cost of aero tows

Club class 55 EUR* / 600m AGL

Standard, 18m class 60EUR* / 600m AGL

* price is valid according to recent currency level and oil prices

6.2 Price of car fuel per litre/gallon (*estimate*)

1,40 EUR/l (September 2021)

6.3 Rental cars

Limited number in the area, rental companies in Prague.

6.4 Accommodation

6.4.1 Hotels

<http://www.hotel-hubert.cz/>

<http://www.agneshotel.cz/>

<https://www.svecenyrybnik.cz/>

<https://www.ukata.cz/en/homepage/>

<https://www.hotelzruc.cz/>

<https://hostinecujanatu.wbs.cz/>

6.4.2 Apartments

Subject to current Airbnb offer.

Guest houses with self-catering:

<http://www.wama.cz/hourai/>

<https://www.pensionhetlin.cz/>

<https://www.penzionukatlova.cz/>

<http://www.petrovicky-mlyn.cz/>

6.4.3 Bed and Breakfast

<http://www.penzion-aviatik.cz/>

6.4.4 Camping

Enough camping area for all competitors at the airfield.

6.5 Catering

6.5.1 Hotels

<http://www.hotel-hubert.cz/>

<http://www.agneshotel.cz/>

<https://www.svecenyrybnik.cz/>

6.5.2 Restaurants

<https://uceskekoruny.eatbu.com/?lang=en>

And as per above.

6.5.3 Airfield

There will be a catering arranged from one of the local restaurants who are regular catering providers during competitions held at LKZB.

6.6 Provide an indicative example for the expected total costs during the contest period for a pilot with 2 crew members

Prices calculated for official training period + contest flying period and includes accommodation and full board meal

Hotel at Zbraslavice app. 2000 EUR

Campsite at Zbraslavice airfield app 1500 EUR

Accommodation in the aeroclub's facilities app. 1700 EUR

*prices are estimated in regards with the current offers

** prices do not include entry fee and costs of aerotows

7. Glider Hiring

7.1 The availability of local gliders for hire

Subject to current availability.

7.2 The costs of hire

Standard European Prices

7.3 Any restrictions on hire (e.g. license requirements)

Standard EU/EASA requirements

8. Glider Import (provide information on the following)

8.1 Ports or cities of entry

Main EU ports

8.2 Customs requirements

Can be guaranteed by ATA carnet

8.3 Customs brokers

Will be provided upon particular request

8.4 Estimated costs and fees, including cost of transport of containers

Due to recent containers transport pricing situation, we feel there is no sense to predict something for 2025

9. Training

9.1 Provide details of any proposed training opportunities for teams and individuals prior to the Championships.

Aeroclub Zbraslavice organizes national cup competition AZ CUP each year with usual participation of top Czech pilots and we are more than happy to welcome foreign pilots for training. AZ Cup is so called small National Championship. 1000 points system is applied as well as FAI Sporting Code and Annex A. Airfield is available for individual training anytime during the year prior further request. We plan to apply for the Czech National Championship organization one year before the WWGC to ensure a proper pre-World Championship is held.