

Report of the Bid Expert

Once again I did not receive any bids for any competition before the deadline of October 1st, 2001. Since that, actually very late, I have received two bids. One for the Club Class World Gliding Championships for the year 2004 from Norway. And one from Lithuania for the European Gliding Championships 2004. Because of being in Mafikeng as a Jury President I had very little time to comment the bids. I have asked for some additional information. The amended bids will be available direct from the bidding countries before the Plenary meeting in Lausanne. In my opinion both are able to organise good Championships.

In addition to the Norwegian bid for the Club Class 2004 I received a request from UK for the same contest, but because I have not heard anything from them until January 15th, I do not recommend to accept their bid at this late date.

For some reason it seems to be all too common to send the bids well behind the dead lines. If there are no bids early enough, we have little choices. However, we need information within the scheduled time to give delegates good time to become familiar with the papers. I urge every future bidder to start their paperwork earlier.

The experience shows that often the organiser will forget the terms decided by the Plenary. In my opinion we must follow the decisions. For example the number of pilots per country per class must not be changed without the approval of the IGC. We have to make clear decision and obey them.

The list of Steward and Jury Member candidates is updated frequently. The latest list is available by request from me. There is always space for new names. I ask the delegates to send me information about good candidates, who have the approval of the National Aero Club.

The organisers should consult with the bid expert or Bureau before publishing the list of the Stewards. And the Jury selection must remain purely an IGC responsibility, as is laid down in the Sporting Code, General Section 4.3.2.

The bids for the Multi WGC2006, Female and Junior WGC for 2005 must reach the Bid expert before, I repeat before October 1st, 2002.

Helsinki January 15, 2002

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Annex 1: Bid for the European Gliding Championships 2004 in Lithuania
Annex 2: Bid for the Club Class World Gliding Championships 2004 in Norway

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