Minutes of the Bureau eMeeting of the FAI Aeromodelling Commission

Held using Zoom on 16th April 2022
In the chair: Mr Antonis Papadopoulos (Greece)  
Mr Bruno Delor (France)  
Mr Andras Ree (Hungary)  
Mr Massimo Semoli (Germany)  
Mr Ian Kaynes (United Kingdom)  
Mr Vernon Hunt (United Kingdom)  
Mr Peter Uhlig (Germany)  
Mr Stefan Wolf (Germany)  
Mr Barrie Lever (Great Britain)  
Mr Pal Linden Anthonisen (Norway)  
Mr Emil Giezendanner (Switzerland)  
Mr Zoran Pelagic (Slovakia)  
Mr Per Findahl (Sweden)  

President of CIAM  
1st Vice-President  
3rd Vice-President  
Treasurer  
Secretary  
F1 Sub-Committee Chairman  
FF World Cup Co-ordinator  
F2 Sub-Committee Chairman  
F3 Aerobatics Sub-Committee Chairman  
F3C/N Sub-Committee Chairman  
F3 Pylon Sub-Committee Chairman  
F4 Sub-Committee Chairman  
F5 Sub-Committee Chairman  
SM Sub-Committee Chairman  
Education Sub-Committee Chairman

The President opened the meeting at 09.30 and welcomed the members of the CIAM Bureau, of FAI and the observers.

Meetings Procedurals

1. Agenda Review
   - No additional items to be included on the agenda.

2. Minutes of the December 2021 Bureau meeting
   Minutes will be released in a week.

3. Schedule of Plenary Meeting
   Nothing to add.
4. CIAM Bureau nominations and elections

The President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, 3rd Vice President, Secretary confirmed they intend standing for re-election. The Technical Secretary intend to resign. The following chairmen confirmed they intend standing for re-election: F2 Control Line, F4 RC Scale, F7 RC Aerostats, F9 Drone Sport, Education

The F5 RC Electric chairman intend to resign. The other Subcommittee Chairmen confirmed to remain in the post.

5. Date for 2022 December Bureau meeting. Dates for 2023 Bureau and Plenary meetings

The Plenary Meeting can be held in other locations than Lausanne. The President mentioned that Emil Giezendanner mentioned about a place near Zurich as cheaper location. There was a discussion about how to hold the technical meetings. Most are in favour to hold them remotely. Other commissions hold them in hybrid way.

The Plenary Meeting will decide.

TWG 2022

6. TWG 2022 – Birmingham USA

Using a power point presentation, Mr Delor explained the organisation of the TWG with the involvement FAI in the organisation: 3 FAI Jury members, 4 judges and 1 supervisor for the Drone Racing competition.

2 male competitors and 1 female were excluded because since Russia and Belarus ban from international events. We will try to replace by selecting competitors from the list prepared.

The participation will be with 10 women form 10 countries and 22 men form 19 countries. In total 23 countries will participate.

The President pointed out that this event is important for the aeromodelling promotion and for improving relationships between CIAM and AMA. For the transfer of the officials a total of 12,000 CHF were made available from CIAM budget. A similar amount will be released from FAI and for IGC.

The Secretary asked to include information about publicity, media, etc.

Reports

7. Reports by S/C Chairmen

All the reports except for F7-Aerostasts were provided.

8. CIAM Treasurer’s Report:

The treasurer informed that the CIAM bank account has been closed and the same happened for the other Airsport commissions. The Special Reserve for CIAM is now displayed in monthly statements which are provided by the secretariat. All the CAIM expenses shall be approved by FAI.

Anyway, the confidence in the FAI financial management is now improved and trust is re-established.

The President pointed out to take care when and who pay the sanction fees. The treasurer informed that not always the sanction fees are paid in time but due to the use of AMS system this is not happening as in previous years. The next year the income should improve due to the normal number of events (about 300).

The Treasurer showed the graphic of the financial balance status where it is showed when the Special reserve has been created in 2014.
9. **Sporting Code. Report by the Technical Secretary**
A report was sent by the Technical Secretary and there were no comments.

10. **Scholarship Selection**
Mr Findhal presented the analysis and the voting for the two candidates for the 2022 CIAM Scholarship. Mr Findhal was pleased to announce that the recommended candidate for 2022 is Adrien Gallet from France.
The Bureau accepted the proposal and the Plenary Meeting will be asked to approve the selection.

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11. **Contest Calendar.**
The Chairmen reported the status of the events for each category:

**World Championships**

2022
- F1: There are no issues about participation.
- F2: The World Championships will be held for the time being. Some judges resigned and some jury members are not available to attend.
- F3D: No issues there are about the Jury and the drone registration issue has been solved.
- F3F: No big issues informed the CIAM President. The event table needs to be checked by the Soaring Chairman.
- F4: The judges panels changed as notified by the Scale Chairman. The Bureau approved.

2023
- F1: no issues and bulletin will be issued at the end of 2022.
- F3A: The competitors will be also from countries outside Europe.
- F3D: Netherlands could make an offer which could be approved by the next Plenary.
- Space: No issues.
- F3P: The bulletin 1 has to be approved by the Bureau and published.

2024
- F1D: Romania could make an offer.
- F1: Romania and North Macedonia could make an offer.

**European Championships**

2022
- F1 and F1E no issues.
- F3A: Due to the low number of participants there are financial issues. The Chairman requested to approve the use of only one flight line. The Bureau approved.
- F3 Helicopter: The organiser intends to cancel the Championships due to various reasons: Low number of participants and no support from the Italian NAC including the financial one.
- F5: no issues

Space: only 7 countries registered compared with 17 usually participating. Only one judged change. It is waited the support from Mr Manfred Lex about the altimeter.

2023
- F1: Location and dates still to be provided
- F1D: It is likely will be held in March.
- F2: Approved and recommended.

2024
- F3 Helicopter in Denmark is approved.
- F5J: The form signature has to be verified.
Proposals

12. Plenary Meeting Agenda and Sporting Code Proposals
   Two corrections are required to the agenda relevant to the 2021 F2B World Cup but a new issue of agenda is not required.
   The F3 Helicopter Subcommittee Chairman suggested to make clarification even if a technical meeting is not planned.

13. Review of Bureau Proposals
   The Bureau agrees with the CIAM Legend award proposal.
   The F2 Subcommittee Chairman explained why to postpone the rule relevant to the retractable landing gear.
   12 Bureau members are in favour to keep the proposal as is and 2 against.
   A similar situation occurred about the noise reduction when the proposal was postponed and nothing was done without respecting the Plenary decision.
   The CIAM President pointed out that the Plenary decisions have to be respected.
   In addition, the rule will be easier and cheaper to follow increasing the safety due to the reduction of speed.

Interim Decisions

14. Bureau decisions in between the meetings
   - Revision of the CGR volume to be in line with FAI Sporting Code General Section
   - Approval of the Bulletin 1 for 2022 FAI F4 Scale World Championships
   - Approval of the Bulletin 1 for 2022 FAI F3D/E World Championships
   - Hosting a zoom meeting for UAV regulations around the world
   - Approval to change the panel of judges for the 2022 FAI F3A European Championship.

15. Any Other
   Nothing to report

Drones Matters

16. Rules affecting our activities
   Mr Delor described the webinar which was held on the 26th of February 2022 about the UAV regulations effective in various countries.

17. Drone Soccer
   Mr Delor pointed out that the Drone soccer activity is attracting many young pilots and it is useful for education.

18. Any other
   Mr Delor and the CIAM President informed that the e-sport will be considered in the future.

Issues

19. Female participation and Medals
   The F3 Helicopter Subcommittee Chairman asked to avoid situation when a woman at the last place of the overall ranking can receive a medal. He proposed to consider a minimum of three women competitors for awarding medals.
The Space Subcommittee Chairman informed that there are years when at least 12 women form 4 countries participated. He suggests to award diplomas instead of medals when there is a limited participation of women.

The CIAM President proposed to discuss this issue within the Subcommittees and making a proposal for the December Bureau meeting.

**Action: Subcommittee Chairmen**  
**December 2022**

The other issue is the risk to engrave medals for women prizegiving without being sure of the sufficient women participation.

**20. Proposals which are affecting EDIC Specs - Timeframe**

The CIAM President will prepare a timeframe for defining the EDIC specifications.

**Action: CIAM President**

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<td>The CIAM President made a proposal to introduce a new volume or class not under the Plenary authority. The Education Subcommittee chairman and the Bureau agrees.</td>
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<td>The Space subcommittee chairman suggested to manage and distribute in a better way the information using Basecamp or Google. They will be useful for making the documents on-line.</td>
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<td>The CIAM President informed that such tools are used for the CASI meetings and for the Drone subcommittee.</td>
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<td>Mr Delor warned to use basecamp for the documents, he prefers to use google which is more reliable and controlled. Google is able to manage the version control for editing and comments.</td>
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<td>Mr Lever introduced the problem relevant the Championships costs. Mr Delor asked to consider both the travelling costs and the entry fees. Mr Žoran Pelagic concurred that an accurate analysis shall be done.</td>
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<td>The CIAM President proposed to hold a zoom meeting dedicated to discuss this argument.</td>
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**Action: CIAM President**

The CIAM President closed the meeting at 12.30