



## **CIVL 2022 PLENARY – ANNEXE 23 B BUREAU PROPOSAL – PARAGLIDING XC CAT 1 EVENTS**

PG XC is CIVL leading discipline with more than 7,000 pilots ranked and Cat 1 events attended by top-pilots representing 40+ nations.

PG XC World and Continental championships have always been a mix of Overall, Women and Team categories.

The selection of pilots has always been done to favour diversity of nations vs best pilots.

Most of the other PG XC top events are organised by the PWCA.

The PWCA has a different approach: only the quality of pilots matter, with no regards to their nationality.

The CIVL Bureau believes that both approaches are acceptable, that they are in fact complementary and that we are lucky to have such a diversity of top events: they can only take the discipline further.

The CIVL Bureau would like the plenary to consider how to make CIVL Cat 1 PG XC events better.

Its proposal on Fairness in Team Events (annexe 23a) is one step, there are other steps possible, hence the following possibilities.

### **Proposal 1 – A separate championship for Women**

Current reality shows that our “x any gender + 1 woman” format for allocating pilots never ends up with selecting more than one woman, hence limiting the number of women participating: 18 in Tukulman 2021, 21 in Krushevo 2019, 16 in Monte Avena 2017...

Today, the top 1,000 of the WPRS includes 50 women. A separate championship would allow more women to participate with obvious consequences on the development of the sport.

### **Proposal 2 – Full Allocation Rounds Only**

This proposal comes in complement to the Fairness in Team Events one (annexe 23a).

When allocating Cat 1 spots, only full rounds are completed (from top to bottom).

If a round cannot be completed in full, it is discarded.

This will ensure that all team are, as far as possible, on equal terms. Teams do not get extra pilots just because they are at the top of the list.

The only drawback will be that the organisers will not be able to count on the maximum number of pilots allowed. We will have to find ways to allow them to balance their budget.