Annex A:

Bid to host the
24th FAI World Hang Gliding Championship - Class 1
15th FAI Women World Hang Gliding Class 1 Championship
10th FAI World Hang Gliding Class 5 Championship

1. Organisers

Club Zenith Vol Lliure (Nuria Moreno, Gabriel Navarrete, Joel Mirón)

2. Name of the Championship

24th FAI World Hang Gliding Championship - Class 1 - “Àger 2025”
15th FAI Women World Hang Gliding Class 1 Championship “Àger 2025”
10th FAI World Hang Gliding Class 5 Championship “Àger 2025”

3. Proposed dates of Championship

Pre-World 2024 (practice event): July 21st – 27th 2024

World HG Championship – Class 1
Registration: July 13th, 2025
Opening Ceremony: July 13th, 2025
Practice day, team leader briefing and mandatory safety briefing: July 14th, 2025
Competition flying days: July 15th - 25th
Closing & Prize Giving Ceremony: July 26th

4. Location of Championship

Flying site: Àger – Catalunya – Spain (42°0'16"N 0°45'57"E)
5. **Launch sites**

Flying site: Coll d’Ares in Montsec d’Ares (42º02’46.3” N 0º44’44.1” E)
Launch site take off direction South and Southwest.
Nearest towns: Àger 17km 30 min, on an exceptionally good, paved road from Àger to launch. Also, Tremp 46 km, Balaguer 57 km,
Nearest larger city: Lleida 73 km and Barcelona (nearest international airport) 180 Km on a good motorway.

In 1995 Àger held the World Championship and the European championship in 2010. Also, several National Championships have been held in Àger; the latest were in 2010, 2012, 2015, 2016 and 2020.

The competition team is highly experienced. Jose Manuel Sánchez García (Juaki) has organized another World Championship 2001 in Algodonales, and with Gabriel Navarrete González, Joel Mirón de Soto and Nuria Moreno Barranco have organized several national championships, European Championship in 2010 Àger, among many other competitions.

We will run a Category 2 test event – Pre-world championship in 21st-27th July 2024.

6. **Launch sites details**

There is one launch area (1586m asl) with three huge ramps all of them facing South. Taking several aspects into account, we would be using two or three ramps on each launch and, to make the whole process more efficient and organized, we would be using “ordered launch” system.
The launch has huge rigging area that allow 120+ gliders.
The car parking area is also huge for many cars and vans.
There are no main hazards. The launch is faced to all the valley with many landing fields and the official one in Agulló
Big area on the launch that allow helicopter landings if necessary.
**Official Landing Zone**

The official landing (42°0’32.641” N 0°43’35.605” E) is property of the organizer (Club Zenith Vol Lliure). It is located at 625 m asl and allows to reach it in safety from the launch. This would also be the official goal in some tasks.

The valley has many other landing options fields.
7. **Distance/access to launch site**

From Àger 17 km on an exceptionally good, paved road, accessible on any type of car, no need of 4-wheel drive vehicles.

8. **Task flying area**

It is a mainly safe flying area all around, with huge landings on the North and South valley. All the directions and tasks have good landings and in every briefing task the director will give pilots different options. The flying area combines flatland flying with ridge soaring. Easy retrievals with good roads in many directions.

9. **Airspace**

No major restricted/prohibited flying areas, but we will run with the correspondent NOTAM for both competitions.

10. **Safety Issues**

Smooth to strong thermals along the ridge. Only some summer thunderstorms in the Pyrenees. These issues will always be considered when task setting.

11. **Maps of task area**

Aeródromo Calaf-Salavinera (N 41º44'35.624", E 1º33'36.406")
Gerb (N 41º49'23.729", E 0º48'12.862")
Laspuña (N 42º30'31.154", E 0º9'20.26")
Aeródromo de La Cerdanya (N 42º23'39.899", E 1º52'1.763")

Attached to this document there are three documents:
Âger Waypoints.kml ----- Kml google file showing all the waypoints
ÂgerMap.pdf -------------- Pdf map of all the flying area, similar map will be handed out for all pilots.

12. **Transport**

We will not provide transport services to launch. Pilots must drive up to launch by their own means. But we will provide a driver list and vehicle arrangements for those who need so.

13. **Rescue/Medical Services**

We will have an experienced on-site paramedic & first aid arrangement, the medical first response in task area & helicopter response time will be around 10 min.
First-line hospitals in less than 40 kms from flying area Tremp, Lleida and Barcelona.

14. **Liaison with police, military, public services**

We will have good communications with all of them if necessary.

15. **Insurance**

All pilots must have an insurance that covers the minimum required for FAI competitions. The organization has its own insurance for this event that cover the organization but not the pilots.

16. **Communications**

i) Radios: Details including any restriction on frequencies or types of radio, particularly 2m, and any licence requirements. We will mention the range of 2m frequencies that will be allowed in during the competition.

ii) Live Trackers. We have live tracking for the competition

iii) Exceptionally good 4G Mobile/Cell Phone Coverage in all the area.

17. **Weather**

High time range of thermal activity in the months of July and August from 13:00 to 19:30.
The recommended maximum wind speed: on launch and for task flying will be 40 km/h.

18. **Meteorology**

Experienced forecaster in many previous competitions and HG pilot. We will be using xcskies and arl noaa web sites together with local wind stations of the flying area.

19. **Event Headquarters**

We will use the camping office with huge rooms for safety pilot briefings, registration and for equipment checks. We will have office equipment, Wi-Fi and charge point areas.

19. **Local facilities**

http://www.campingager.com
https://www.albergvalldager.com
https://www.calmaciarol.com
https://casa-portola.business.site/?utm_source=gmb&utm_medium=referral
There are other villages near Àger where you can find good places to visit and sleep: Tremp, Balaguer, Sort, etc.

20. Media coverage, publicity, sponsorship

We have a very reduced budget but obviously we will try to promote the event with local and regional TVs and will offer as much media coverage as possible. We will also have a community manager.

The launch areas are easily accessible for spectators, we will delimit the area so they can follow the competition without interfering with pilot launches. We are working in local sponsorship, but nothing closed yet.

21. Competition website

The web site will be working for the Pre-worlds 2024 if this bid succeeds and will be the main of all the information about the competition. Both will be hosted on FAI-CIVL official web site, https://civlcomps.org/ We will have online registration facilities for both events. All the relevant documents will be pinned on the web, together with maps, turnpoints, lodging facilities.

21. Organisers, Directors and key officials

Organisation/Event director: Nuria Moreno Barranco & Gabriel Navarrete González & Joel Mirón de Soto
Meet Director Pre-World: José Manuel Sánchez García (Juaki)
Meet Director HG World: José Manuel Sánchez García (Juaki)
Steward both events: T.B.A
Safety Director: Gabi Cunill
Chief Launch Marshal: Gabi Cunill
Launch assistants: Nuria Canet, Gabriel Navarrete, Montse Mongay, Romi Fiorio
Chief Goal Marshal: T.B.A
Meteorologist: Josep Maria Pujades
Scorer: Sergi Canadell
Retrieve/Check in: Pau Samarra
HQ/Admin manager: Nuria Moreno Barranco

All key officials are highly experienced in previous competitions, speak English fluently.
22. **Finance and sponsorship**

As mentioned before along this bid, we will not have anticipated sources of finance. The attached budget in Annex B is made basically on entry fees. Local authorities will support the championship in species providing HQ facilities and all the equipment necessary.

23. **Entry Fee for Category 1 championship**

Pilot: 500 € / 600 €
Team Leader/Assistant: 200 €

The entry fee includes:
- Welcome dinner for pilots and assistants
- Closing ceremony dinner.
- Daily lunch packages.
- Maps, waypoints.
- Free tickets for the swimming pool.
- T-shirt

For those pilots that need transport and retrieval services we can offer the with a small supplement charge.

24. **Pilot Entry & team size**

The maximum number of pilots will be 125 or 140 (subject to CIVL approval)
Team size:  6+2 (subject to CIVL approval)

25. **Visas, Vaccinations**

No FAI member will be refused to entry the country
No visas required for UE nations; other countries please contact Spanish embassy if visa is required.
The vaccinations subject to the WHO and local authorities at that moment.

26. **Early arrivals**

Early arrivals are allowed, contact the organizer if so, I we will give all the details necessary to access to launch.

27. **Customs & equipment importation**

No special arrangements are necessary for temporary importation of gliders and other competition equipment. If necessary, please contact us previously and we will do the proper arrangements. The main entry points for those who arrive by plane, will be Madrid and Barcelona.
29. **Test Event**

Proposed dates of Test Event: 21\textsuperscript{st} to 27\textsuperscript{th} July 2024
Pilot qualifications according to the WPRS order
Open event
Entry fee: Pilot 275 €, Team leader 100 €

30. **Additional information**

No additional information in support of the bid

Name: José Manuel Sánchez García        Signed:

Position in Organisation: meet director        Date: 17/10/2022
125 pilots, 11 task days + practice task

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<td>PREPARATION (over 2 years)</td>
<td>1,300 €</td>
<td>Includes bank transfer fees, accountant charges, etc</td>
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<td>Administration, post &amp; bank charges, stationery</td>
<td>1,300 €</td>
<td>Meetings with co-financiers, suppliers, airspace or other authorities etc</td>
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<td>Travel expenses for organisers, volunteers</td>
<td>- €</td>
<td>Local town may offer free use of suitably sized and furnished building.</td>
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<td>Setting up &amp; maintaining website</td>
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<td>Including logo design, hosting etc</td>
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<td>COMPEITION</td>
<td>38,875 €</td>
<td>Sanction fee: 9,00€ x pilot (125) per competition days (11) approxim.</td>
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<td>FAI Sanction Fee</td>
<td>12,375 €</td>
<td>Allow for 2-3 days more than no of comp. days: 500 each travel; 60/day each food &amp; lodging; 14/day x 3 Juror</td>
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<td>FAI Officials (4): Travel, accommodation, meals, daily allowance, car rental</td>
<td>6,500 €</td>
<td>Consider IT requirements, computers, software, printers &amp; wifi, phones/mobiles, noticeboards, giant screens etc. Could be much more if live tracking used, for example.</td>
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<td>Rental of suitable HQ building/rooms/marquee for briefings (180 people+), meeting rooms, scoring room etc.</td>
<td>- €</td>
<td>Consider IT requirements, computers, software, printers &amp; wifi, phones/mobiles, noticeboards, giant screens etc. Could be much more if live tracking used, for example.</td>
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<td>Rental/buy IT &amp; equipment for HQ, launch, goalfields/target etc</td>
<td>1,200 €</td>
<td>Design/artwork &amp; print costs, consider several large examples for HQ and Launch</td>
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<td>Road, airspace, turnpoint maps for pilots, team leaders &amp; HQ</td>
<td>600 €</td>
<td>Design/artwork &amp; print costs, consider several large examples for HQ and Launch</td>
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<td>Tshirts</td>
<td>2,000 €</td>
<td>Count in pilots, team leaders, drivers, staff, volunteers, press, VIPs, sponsors</td>
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<td>Trophies, day prizes, gifts for pilots</td>
<td>1,500 €</td>
<td>FAI medals &amp; diplomas provided by FAI free of charge. Consider trophies, champagne, local souvenirs/produce. Local region may provide some goodies, such as pens. Manufacturers may sponsor prizes</td>
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<td>Transport</td>
<td>1,500 €</td>
<td>PG comp: transport normally included. Factor 3 buses and/or 6 minibuses. HG comp: transport for staff, press, VIPs, reimburse fuel for volunteers</td>
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<td>Medical services (doctor, paramedic, ambulance etc)</td>
<td>2,000 €</td>
<td>Wholly dependent on what is available or can be negotiated locally</td>
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<td>Option: Rental &amp; cleaning of portable toilets</td>
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<td>Rental Trackers Gps</td>
<td>3,000 €</td>
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<td>Option: packed lunches or snack/water for pilots/TLs</td>
<td>5,200 € Allow 4€/flying day/person</td>
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<td>Contingency</td>
<td>3,000 € Improvements to launch, equipment purchase/rental, insurance, extra personnel</td>
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<td><strong>PERSONNEL</strong></td>
<td>24,500 €</td>
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<td>Fees for Meet Director, Safety Director, Event organiser, Launch Marshal, Scorer etc.</td>
<td>20,000 € Increasingly common that key personnel are remunerated for these positions of high responsibility, skill and experience. May also need to cover travel</td>
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<td>Food/expenses for organisers, staff, volunteers, helpers 15 days</td>
<td>4,500 € Even if all staff are volunteers, it is usual to provide some food, camping fees, T-shirt, reimburse fuel for own transport etc</td>
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<td><strong>CEREMONIES &amp; SOCIAL EVENTS</strong></td>
<td>9,000 €</td>
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<td>Opening &amp; Closing Ceremonies</td>
<td>9,000 € Buffet for 200+ people, music/entertainment, flags, decorations. This is a minimum.</td>
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<td>Other social events (bbq, live music evening etc)</td>
<td>According to budget. Local sponsorship may be possible.</td>
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<td><strong>MEDIA &amp; PROMOTION</strong></td>
<td>4,325 €</td>
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<td>PR or Press person/services prior to &amp; during event</td>
<td>Local tourist office or local authority people may help. Should have someone handling press during the event.</td>
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<td>Official blogger, photographer, video cameraman, film maker</td>
<td>4,325 € Writing task reports, press releases, providing photos or video footage to news agencies, web tv etc.</td>
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<td>Option: Film of the event for promotion of sport, region etc</td>
<td>Making a film for promotional purposes could cost at least 15,000€. See also FAI rules on media rights.</td>
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<td>Promotional items: stickers, pens, mugs, postcards etc</td>
<td>According to budget.</td>
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<td>Press hospitality, local media coverage, souvenir programme, newsletters, advertising etc</td>
<td>According to need. Grants from local authorities often dependent on seeing a ‘return’, promoting the sport, tourism etc.</td>
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### PROJECTED INCOME

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<td>Team leader fees</td>
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<td>Grant from local/host town</td>
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<td>Grant from county or region</td>
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<td>Grant from national Federation or NAC</td>
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<td>Sales of promotional items, productising</td>
<td>1,000</td>
<td>See FAI rules on promotion &amp; media rights</td>
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**Notes:**

1. Even by cutting costs dramatically, with volunteers and minimum facilities, a Category 1 event cannot be financed entirely through Pilot Entry fees. Additional funding is essential.
2. Towing fees or optional transport/retrieve services are presumed to be run at cost.
3. Accuracy & Aerobatics events may cost less as sanction fees will be less, and, equipment, maps, etc may not be needed. Income may be less too.

**Signed:**

**Position in organisation:** Meet director

**Name:** José Manuel Sánchez García  
**Date:** 17 November 2020
Dear CIVL President,

The Catalan Aeronautical Federation supports the bid presented for the 2025 FAI World Hang Gliding Championships Class 1 to be held in Àger, Lleida (Spain), as well as the Pre-Worlds event to be held in 2024, both organized by Club Zenith Vol Lliure.

Nuria Moreno
Hang Gliding Section

Alfred Sànchez
President
Letter of support

Madrid, 28th December 2022

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Kind regards,

José Javier Álvarez Castillejo
President
Royal Spanish Aeronautical Federation
Letter of support

With this letter we want to highlight that we are a municipality strongly involved into flying activities and high level competitions.

Therefore we are very proud to be able to support the 2025 FAI World Hangliding Championship Class 1 to be held in our town, Àger, as well as the Pre-worlds to be held in 2024.

The mayoress of Àger,
Mireia Burgués Novau