



Meeting Minutes – 2023 Plenary Meeting

FAI Rotorcraft Commission (CIG)

The Meeting was held at Maison du Sport International in Lausanne, Switzerland
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1 ATTENDANCE

President	Jacques BERLO (JB)	
Chairman of Rules	David MONKS (DM)	GBR
Austria Delegate	Stefan SEER (SS)	AUS
Czech Delegate	Marek VASTAK (MV)	CZE
Czech Alternate Delegate	Andrzej MIGUS (AM)	CZE
France Delegate	Jacques ESCAFFRE (JE)	FRA
German Delegate	Hubert HESANG (HG)	GER
Poland Delegate	Serafina OGONCZYK-MAKOWSKA (SO)	POL
Swiss Delegate	Alain BUHLER (AB)	SUI
United Kingdom Delegate	Hugh BARKLEM (HB)	GBR
FAI Secretary General	Markus HAGGENEY (MH)	
FAI Members and Commissions Relations Manager	Kamila VOKOUN HAJKOVA (KV)	

The CIG President Jacques Berlo welcomed FAI President, David Monks and FAI Secretary General, Markus Haggeneay. He thanked the Secretariat for their support over the last year. He thanked the delegates for their presence and their interest in CIG. He warmly welcomed everybody present in Lausanne.

The FAI President welcomed delegates to this first in person meeting in several years. He expressed his appreciation of the work of CIG President. The FAI matters will be presented later in the meeting by MH and DM will be willing to answer the questions.

1.1 ROLL CALL

Markus Haggeneay carried out the Roll Call. There were 7 FAI Members present physically.

1.2 APOLOGIES

The apologies were received from New Zealand delegate who was registered to the meeting, but unfortunately had to cancel his attendance on the last moment.

1.3 PROXIES

The proxies were received from/given to:

- from ITA to CZE
- from BEL to AUT
- from TUR to GBR
- from SLO to POL

1.4 ESTABLISHED MAJORITIES

In total 11 countries are present. Majority is 6 votes.

1.5 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None declared.

1.6 AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda has been distributed to the delegates on 06 February 2023. The agenda was approved without further change request.

1.7 MINUTES OF CIG 2022 PLENARY MEETING

Annex 1 -2022 CIG Plenary Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the 2022 were accepted as a true and accurate account of the meeting.

2 CIG PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Annex 2 -2023 CIG President Report

The CIG President JB presented the report covering the actual situation of helicopter sport its evolution and future. He mentioned his visit of the FAI archives and shared the results of his founding – in 1975 first CIG event and until 2012 professional pilots participated at the FAI events, after year 2012 only private pilots are taking part in the event organised by FAI. JB also stressed his support to clean and safe sport and mentioned the CIMP Safety webinars. He suggested goals and express his willingness to improve the communication within the CIG. At the end he thanked to the delegates and FAI Secretariat their contribution during his election period, and he stated that he will not stand for next election period due to his health.

DM asked– Why the participation and interest is low? Why do we not have more delegate in the room?

JB explain that he contacted each delegate listed in the Commission individually and event with these efforts the interest is low.

3 FAI REPORTS

3.1 REPORT OF THE FAI SECRETARY GENERAL

Annex 3 -2023 FAI Secretary General Report

FAI Secretary General, Markus HAGGENEY presented his report on the screen.

3.2 REPORT ON FAI FLY CLEAN CAMPAIGN

Annex 4 – ppt on the FAI Fly Clean Campaign

The FAI Anti-Doping Manger KV presented the FAI's mission to contribute and to protect the clean athletes and the integrity of air sports through the fight against doping and clarified the actions of the FAI in accordance with the requirements of the World Anti-Doping Code.

DM asked – If the FAI has clear procedure in informing the event organiser about the doping controls planned from the FAI side?

KV clarified the procedure.

4 FINANCIAL SITUATION

4.1 FINANCIAL RESULTS 2022

The presentation of the financial results 2022 was part of the FAI Secretary General – see 3.1

4.2 APPROVED BUDGET FOR THE FY 2023

The presentation of the approved budget 2023 was part of the FAI Secretary General – see 3.1

4.3 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE FY 2024

It was stated by the CIG President and confirmed by FAI Secretary General that this would be main activity for the incoming CIG President and CIG Bureau during the course of 2023.

5 CIG AWARDS

5.1 FAI GOLD ROTORCRAFT MEDAL

No application received for year 2023.

5.2 PRODUCTION OF THE FAI GOLD ROTORCRAFT MEDAL

Annex 5 – ppt on CIG Gold Rotorcraft medal

Stocks for the FAI Gold Rotorcraft Medal are used up. A replenishment is necessary during 2023. The presentation, dimension an image of the old medal was presented to the attendees of the CIG Plenary. The plenary agreed to move this item for further discussion to CIG Plenary Meeting 2024.

6 SPORTING CODE AND COMPETITION RULES

CIG documents (Section 9: Rotorcraft) are available for download on <https://www.fai.org/cig-documents>

JB – Introduced into the topic

DM – as the Chairman of the Rules WG lead the discussion.

- No request for rules change has been submitted.
- Suggestion to new CIG Bureau members to look at Sporting Code
- Request to review the cost for diploma (circumnavigation diploma)
- Request to review the language and logo on CIG diploma
- Proposal to review CIG CoP
- The change to be communicated and promoted via FAI communication channels

The CIG President concluded the discussion with invitation to continue the communication and asked the Chairman of the Rules to propose amendments.

7 CIG OFFICIALS

Annex 6 – List of the International Judges from 30 March 2019

Status and approval of the CIG International Board of Judges. The presented list was unproved until the next FAI CIG Championships.

The critical situation and lack of experience and safety of current International Judges was mentioned during the meeting by delegates. There is need for an improvement in safety protection of acting officials and their education by helping and supporting the organisation of the educational courses for judges.

- Proposal and comment from SO: Guidance for judges by RUS (the core judges) – let's talk about the problem “nothing is perfect” we should raise the problem - level of knowledge is poor without Russian.
- HG: suggested to improve judging level
- DM: proposed to reduce number of required judges by implementing technology.
- JE: proposed to reduce number of judges for slalom – example of safety, technology instead of personal, training of judges in different level.

Communication and thoughts expressed by all delegates.

- DM suggested that the slalom scoring should remove a requirement to have personal at the field.
- JE suggested to check the knowledge of the judges by CIG at the event “quality control of the judges” by possibly new created CIG Judging Sub-Commission.

8 CIG ACTIVITIES

8.1 REVIEW OF THE CIG CALENDAR EVENTS

Delegates were invited by JB to provide a report on activities in their countries.

- Reports delivered by Czech delegate – invitation to attend the event in Kunovice – “helifun meeting” – no official competition.
- Report from Poland – activity from 2021 presented, proposal for “heli festivals” instead of official competition, video from the last activity in 2021 was shown by SO
- Report from Austria – young crew should be contacted – many activities stopped due to the lack of interests.
- Report from Germany – building new crew, in May the training “fly safely – social meeting with flying” – championships in July with minimum 7 teams, FAI category 2, will be communicated.
- Report from UK – willing to develop the sport in UK – navigation competition – encourage people from heli school, no plan now.

8.2 DEVELOPMENT OF HELICOPTER SPORT

- Future events
- Enlargement in participation and interest in organisation of events

Proposals and thoughts were shared. The round table discussion concluded to continue this discussion at the CIG Plenary Meeting 2024

9 ELECTIONS

FAI By-Laws chapter 3.2 outlines the rules related to the composition, responsibilities, and elections in a Commission.

FAI By-Law 3.3 specifies the 'Commission Voting Rules'.

9.1 CIG PRESIDENT

- Proposed candidates: Hubert GESANG (GER), Serafina OGONCZYK-MAKOWSKA (POL)
- Voted by secret ballot.

The CIG President for period of two years was elected - Serafina OGONCZYK-MAKOWSKA (POL)

9.2 1ST VICE-PRESIDENT

- Proposed candidates: Hugh BARKLEM (GBR), Hubert GESANG (GER), Serafina OGONCZYK-MAKOWSKA (POL)
- The candidate from POL was elected as CIG President and the candidate for GBR was not eligible (alternate delegate)
- Voted by acclamation

The CIG 1st Vice President for period of two years was elected – Hubert GESANG (GER)

9.3 2ND VICE-PRESIDENT

- Proposed candidates: Stefan SEER (AUT), Andrzej MIGUS (CZE)
- The candidate from Austria did not accept the nomination.
- Voted by acclamation

The CIG 2nd Vice President for period of two years was elected – Andrzej MIGUS (CZE)*

** Following to the request received from Aero Club of Czech Republic - FAI member with sporting power for rotorcraft sport - Mr. Andrzej MIGUS was withdraw from the FAI CIG*

9.4 SECRETARY

- There were no candidates.

The CIG 1st Vice President Hubert GESANG (GER) accepted to be CIG Secretary for period of two years.

9.5 RULES WORKING GROUP

- David MONKS accepted the nomination

The CIG Chairman of the Rules for period of two years was elected – David MONKS

10 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Conclusion of the plenary by JB. He congratulated the newly elected CIG President and CIG Bureau and wish them well for their term and for global helicopter sports. He thanked all attendees for their inputs and contributions.

SO proposed JB as the CIG President of Honour. The delegates unanimously accepted.

11 DATE AND LOCATION OF NEXT PLENARY MEETING

The Plenary decided to hold the next Plenary Meeting in Switzerland, Lausanne - MSI, 22-23 March 2024.



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