



FAI Rotorcraft Commission (CIG) Report to the 113th FAI General Conference Lausanne, 5-6 December 2019

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1. Important activities, projects or events since last FAI General Conference:

Events since the last FAI General Conference

FAI Category 2 Event – Helicopter World Cup 2019

This event is a parallel competition between helicopter crews (Pilot + Co-Pilot) in 2 events, a parallel slalom and a fender. (Description of this events in an attachment flyer).

4 stages were organized and points of each stage were calculated to determinate the ranking and the winners.

Stage 1 : Organized in UK during the Heli UK in Wycombe Air Park Marlow from 14 – 15 June 2019 and organized by the Helicopter Club of Great Britain.

7 crews from 3 nations (UK, Germany, Czech Republic, Poland) participated at the competition.

A brilliant commentator (Rob Hughes) has fascinated the public. Type of helicopters: R44 and R22

Stage 2 : Organized together with 54th Russian Helicopter Championship from 16 – 21 July 2019 in Konakovo 130 km North-West from Moscow). Organized by the Federation of Helicopter Sport of Russia and the International Academy of Helicopter Sport.

Participants at the Helicopter World Cup : 23 crews from 5 nations (Belarus, Czech Republic, Poland, Russia and Ukraine) Type of helicopters: R44 and Mil 2

Stage 3 : Organized by the Belarus Federation of Air Sports and Vitebsky Aero Club from 09- 11 August 2019 in Vitbsky, Kukovyachino Airfield.

5 nations participated at the competition (Belarus, Czech Republic, Poland, Russia and Ukraine)

Type of helicopters: R44 and Mil 2

Stage 4 : Final stage will be organized from 20 – 22 September 2019 on the Lososina Dolna Airfield in southern Poland.

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2. Positive and negative results:

Positive :

To standardize and implement the "Good Practice of Helicopter competitions", the Rotorcraft Air Sport Commission decided to prepare handbooks and guidelines. Already available this year:

Bid Handbook Competition entry Handbook Event Handbook Guidance to Risk Assessment

Negative :

There is a decrease of interest for helicopter competitions. An approach of new and young pilots to promote the Helicopter Sport is necessary.

3. Main problem(s) encountered and solutions adopted :

What's the future of the helicopter sport!

4. Planned activities and projects for next year :

A least 5 competitions are planned for 2020

5. Proposals (if any) to FAI Executive Board, FAI Head Office or for the next General Conference :

Closer exchange between ASC and EB

6. Free reporting:

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