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Agenda:

- Committee members
- Events 2018 and future events/bids
- Guideline/Checklist for the Organizers
- How to present our sport to a wider audience?
- Separating FS and AE?

Committee members:

Chair: Trude Sviggum Deputy chair: TBN

- Alberto Martin Paracuellos
- Clair King
- Domitille Kiger
- Melanie L-Guerin
- Sarka Blaskova
- David Grauwels

Events:

1st European Indoor Skydiving Championships (Voss, Norway)

o Participation:

Competitors:

FS open – 10 teams

FS - female - 6 teams

FS - junior - 4 teams

VFS - 5 teams

Freestyle open – 10 competitors

Freestyle Junior – 7 competitors

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D2W - 11 teams D4W - 3 teams

3rd World Cup of Indoor Skydiving

o Participation:

Competitors:

FS open - 22 teams (15 different NAC's)

FS – female – 8 teams (6 different NAC's)

FS – junior – 4 teams (3 different NAC's)

VFS – 4 teams (3 different NAC's)

Freestyle open – 17 competitors

Freestyle Junior – 13 competitors

D2W - 19 teams

D4W – cancelled due to lack of teams signed up

See CJ reports (FS + AE) and FAI controller report for these events.
Rules changes suggestions – under the relevant committee.

○ Changes from last year –

no major changes

 Both Cat 1 Competitions were well Organised with no major issued and received good feedback from Competitors and Officials.

2019 – 3rd World Indoor Skydiving Championships, Lille, France

 $2020-4^{\rm th}$ World Cup of Indoor Skydiving and $2^{\rm nd}$ European Indoor Skydiving Championships, Charleroi, Belgium

2021 – Bid from Slovakia (reviewed by the Committee and comments forwarded to the Bureau)

Guideline document/checklist for Organizers:

The Committee feel this is much needed and we think this should be the core of our contribution. We think it is our responsibility to organize the knowledge we, individually as competition organizers, and as a group, gathered over the last few years.

We believe the IPC, and the Indoor committee, separated from financial interest of individual tunnel, is the best suited to create such a "bible", for the greater good of the sport.

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How to present our sport to a wider audience:

We need to work on how we present our sport to a wider audience.

Things to consider:

- -what is good on a sport level (what the competitors want, what motivates people to keep competing, what keeps the sport evolving on a mental/physical aspects)
- -what is good for a general audience understanding
 - change how we broadcast the event to audiences (working time countdown display and live points-counter displayed for FS, more information, interest and detail, broadcast programming, flight scheduling, and so on).
 - broadcasting of the finals only?
- one example is the length of our events: Competitors would not want to train all year and travel far to compete in one or two rounds. On the other hand, no outsider wants to watch 2 days (indoor or outdoor) skydiving competition.

Separating FS and AE:

Is it benefitting FS and AE to combine the AE and FS Indoor events? FS and AE are logistically, structurally and visually vastly different (tunnel vertical heights versus tunnel diameter for instance). By combining them, we are not giving adequate attention to the specific needs and presentation of each one. This could potentially mean totally separate events maybe, or running one event on days 1-2 and the other on days 3-4.

In favor of separating:

- managing will be easier for the Organizer
- FS in bigger tunnels; 8 way can be included
- less competitors more space

In favor of combining events:

- meeting and exchanging knowledge and experiences between competitors, judges and other participantes from different events
- audience can see bigger variety of types of flying.