Subject: BULGARIAN BID TO HOST WPC 2018, FREEFALL STYLE & ACCURACY LANDING

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Bid for hosting the World Parachuting Championship 2018

Aeroclub Montana

Bulgarian National Aeroclub

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Bulgaria
BID FOR HOSTING WPC 2018

Name of organization: Aeroclub Montana
Function of organization (NAC, etc.): Regional aviation structure
Meeting facility: Erden
City: Erden, 3431
Nation: Bulgaria

Dear IPC members,

We are hereby presenting you with our bid for hosting the World Parachuting Championship 2018. We are highly motivated to organize an event of this significance in Bulgaria, and confidently state that we have the ambition and resources to do so.

After successful EPC2015, we have the ambition to organize more strongly and major event like WPC 2018.

Below you will find a detailed description of the required information as stated in the IPC First Category Event Application Document (version from 2013), chapter 2.4. Should you require any further information, please feel free to contact us at any point.

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2. Event Details

1.1. Full name of event

FAI World Parachuting Championship 2018 for the following events:
Style & Accuracy landing

1.2. Letters of approval

There are no objections from any authorities. We already have approval for hosting this competition from the Bulgarian National Aero Club, the Ministry of Sport, and the Governor of Montana region and from the mayors of Montana and Boytschinovtsi.

1.3. Disciplines to be contested

Style & Accuracy (FS & AC) male, female and junior
(Team Accuracy 8+semi- and final round individual accuracy; style 5 rounds according to qualifying system)

1.4. Event dates

- 17th August 2018 – Delegations – arrival and registration; possible training jumps
- 18th August 2018 – registration and official training jumps; technical meeting, judges conference
- 19th August 2018 -beginning of competition jumps; official opening ceremony
- 20th August – 24th August 2018- continuing with competition jumps
- 25th August 2018 – continuing with competition jumps, award and closing ceremony, gala dinner
- 26th August 2018 - departure of delegations

1.5. Location of event

Drop zone Erden, Bulgaria
ICAO code: LBRD
Coordinates: N 43° 29.955' E 23° 18.281'; Elevation 188m/616ft

The drop zone is beautifully located on the outskirts of the nearby village Erden, with wide fields and a small forest surrounding the area. Easy access and no hurdles ensure a safe and pleasant environment.

Facilities on site include: a restaurant, a seminar room and briefing area, an office, rigging area, packing area, a room for keeping all parachutes and equipment, a big parking area, and a swimming pool. Bungalows, caravans and a kids' corner are also part of the drop zone.

1.6. Access to location

Drop zone Erden is located about 120km away from Sofia Airport. Pick-up of all delegations (by car/bus) will be arranged by the Organizing Committee. Everyone will be picked up from the airport and transported to the drop zone, so no individual arrangements need to be made. If someone is arriving earlier than the official starting date, we are happy to provide transportation and assist in any possible way.
1.7. **Weather conditions**

The climate in the Bulgaria is moderate-continental. During the month of August, the average temperature in Montana is about 24°C; average wind direction NW with average speed of 2 m/sec. below. You can see a synthesized overview of the weather conditions. We are happy to provide more detailed reports and explanations, should such be needed.

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1.8. **Airspace restrictions**

Drop zone Erden is the official training drop zone for Aeroclub Montana. Therefore, there will be no airspace restrictions of any sort and a flawless competition is guaranteed by the authorities. We are happy to provide an official letter for this statement, should our bid be approved.

1.9. **Landowner restrictions**

There are no landowner restrictions in the area surrounding the drop zone.

1.10. **Insurance (where FAI is named as an additional insured party)**

The necessary arrangements and required insurance, acceptable to FAI, will be promptly set up, should the bid for hosting the WPC 2018 be approved.

1.11. **Details of insurance required by participants**

According to Bulgarian law, all participants should have a medical health insurance – we have no requirements regarding the amount, so this is up to the competitor to decide. If the competitors have no such insurance, it is possible to arrange for a health insurance on the spot along with the registration process.

Bulgarian law also requires third-party insurance for a minimum of €10 000, which can also be arranged with us on the spot.
1.12. **Proposed budget, sources of income and entry fees**

The entry fees listed below are per person in EUR and include:

- competition jumps mentioned below;
- accommodation and meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner);
- local transportation (to- and from the drop zone);
- gala dinner;
- FAI sanction fee;
- social events, trip and sightseeing;
- free Wi-Fi at the drop zone;
- use of all facilities at the drop zone.

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<td>Style &amp; accuracy</td>
<td>€750</td>
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<td>Accompanying persons</td>
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1.13. **Facilities**

Below you can see a photograph (taken from Google Earth) of the drop zone.
All event stations and facilities, such as registration area, judging area, media area, office facilities, competitor indoor area, bulletin boards, etc., will be located within a 300-metre radius. The rigging area, restaurant, showers and toilets, are already present at the drop zone and situated at a very close distance from one another.

1.14. **Aircraft details**

For all events, we will have the following aircrafts at full disposal:

- three-four AN-2
  - average exit speed 120-130km/h; approx. 50 jumps per hour (1000m)
- two Piper 32 (back-up aircrafts)
  - average exit speed 130-160km/h; approx. 30-40 jumps per hour (1000m)

1.15. **Pre-event training jumps**

Training jumps can already start on August 10\textsuperscript{th} 2018. The aircrafts depend on the number of participants who have requested training jumps but will surely be among the aircrafts mention in paragraph 2.14 – AN2 or Piper32. The prices for the training jumps are as follows:

Style: €20

Accuracy: €12
1.16. **Accommodation**

Accommodation for all delegates and accompanying people will be arranged and is included in the entry fee. All hotels are located in the city of Montana – about 10km away from the drop zone in Erden and are conveniently situated in the city centre with easy access to the main streets and parks. The atmosphere is nice, comfortable and relaxed, with all the needed amenities for a pleasant stay. More details will be further provided once we have an approval, and an estimate of the number of participants.

There is also an area for camping, so there is the possibility to have participants camp in tents, which will lead to a discount in the entry fee (to be announced in the bulletin, if the bid is approved).

1.17. **Local transportation**

Local transportation will be provided for all delegates and guests. It is included in the entry fee and ensures transportation to and from the drop zone.

1.18. **Media and PR**

National media will be present throughout the competition days, in addition to daily local media coverage. We will have an assigned media manager who will be responsible for coordinating and cooperating with the IPC Media liaison officer. He/she will also be in charge of media accreditations, which will be available for journalists and PR teams.

1.19. **Accommodation for FAI/IPC officials**

The accommodation for FAI/IPC officials will also be arranged in a hotel in the city centre of Montana. Convenience, comfort and easy access are ensured. Further details will be provided on a later notice.

1.20. **Judging and Scoring equipment**

We are happy to provide the necessary judging and scoring equipment as requested or recommended by the IPC Judges Commission.

1.21. **Public address system**

There will be two big screens available for the public, as well as a big stage, in addition to the manifest station. Loudspeakers will ensure that everyone is clearly informed about the ongoing happenings around the event.

1.22. **Medical care**

On-site medical care will be provided at all times. There will be two medical teams and one or two ambulances at our disposal, present at the drop zone at all times. The nearest hospital is located in Montana – about 10km (~7min) away from the drop zone. The hospital is big, modern and well equipped. The doctors at the hospital will also be notified about our event and be fully ready to react timely to any situation that might occur.

1.23. **Proposals for event officials**

No current proposals. To be defined further.
1.24. **On-site communications**

There is wireless Internet at the drop zone that is free and available to all guests. Communication with the aircraft crews is carried out via radio stations.

1.25. **Organizer legislation and rules**

The Organizing Committee requires that all competitors wear helmets, and that their parachutes have AAD devices.

1.26. **Visa requirements**

The Organizing Committee will gladly assist all guests and delegates in obtaining the proper visa for entering Bulgaria. Further details regarding prices and assistance will be provided in the bulletin, should our bid be approved.

Additionally, we would like to say that we have an established system for arranging visas – we work closely with the Ministry of Sport, where there is a department, responsible for arranging visas for sports teams – this ensures a quick and easy process in obtaining the necessary documents.

1.27. **Medals**

All necessary medals and awards will be purchased by the Organizer in accordance with the FAI specifications and the IPC Medal Policy.

1.28. **Anti-doping requirements and processes**

We have no anti-doping requirements or processes that need to take places. However, if the EU or FAI requires that an anti-doping test is carried out, we would be happy to cooperate.

1.29. **Medical/emergency cover**

The Organizer will cover the immediate medical assistance on-site at the drop zone, as well as the transport to the hospital and the medical team that will take care of the competitors up until their arrival at the hospital (should there be such an occurrence).

1.30. **Additional information**

We can confidently state that the opening and closing ceremonies will create the necessary mood for a wonderful atmosphere and an overall great event, and we will be happy to provide further details, should our bid be approved.

We will also organize trips to local sights and places of cultural-, historic- and artistic heritage. Social events and entertainment are an inevitable part of our program as these are engrained in our culture and national spirit, and we look forward to sharing these with everyone.