



**FAI Parachuting Commission (IPC)**  
**Report to the 110<sup>th</sup> FAI General Conference**  
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**1. Important activities, projects or events since last FAI General Conference:**

**1. IPC-Bureau composition**

In January 2016 the IPC Plenary restructured the composition of the IPC-Bureau. This brought into office 4 new IPC-Bureau members together with a new IPC-President and the confirmation of an existing Bureau member. Long term previous IPC President Graeme Windsor was accredited as IPC President of Honor.

**2. Sports activities**

IPC 's biggest sporting event in 2016, the „Mondial 2016“ took place near Chicago, USA from Sep 09-20, 2016.

700 attendees in 5 IPC disciplines (except for Paraski, Wingsuit Flying, Canopy Piloting and Indoor Skydiving) gathered on one main airfield for the majority of parachuting/skydiving activities and one nearby satellite landing area for Freefall Style. The organizer succeeded in completing all rounds in each disciplines-6 new World records and 9 new Continental records were achieved.

The 6th World Championships in Canopy Piloting were held in Farnham, Canada from Aug 20-27, 2016.

Whilst reading this report an IPC First Category Event is taking place in Warsaw, Poland; the 2nd World Cup of Indoor Formation Skydiving and Artistic Events from October 09-16, 2016

The year 2016 will be concluded with the 1st World Wingsuit Performance Flying Championships in conjunction with the 1st Acrobatic World Cup 2016 in Wingsuit Flying from Nov 01-09, 2016 in Zephyrhills, FL, USA.

In preparation for the 2017 World Games in Poland a test-event for all FAI World Games FAI disciplines including Canopy Piloting was held under the umbrella of the FAI in Wroclaw, Poland in early July 2016, which fulfilled the expectations and provided a promising perspective for the 2017 event. IPC is enthusiastic and ready for presenting Canopy Piloting at its best at the WG 2017.

To conclude, preliminary informal talks were started with the IWGA-CEO pointing to the rapidly evolving Indoor Skydiving IPC event activities as a very potential Airsports platform for a future presentation at the World Games.

**3. Pilot project:**

**- Direct FAI World Record Claim procedure :**

The Mondial led to the inauguration of a direct documentation claim procedure for Competition World Records, where applicable, in conjunction with Continental Records, to FAI Head Office from the IPC FCE, since all official personal needed for record approval are prepared on site already. Additionally, the payment of the claim application fee is done directly through IPC. Whilst writing this report, the process has been initiated. More information may be available during the GC.

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#### **4. Performance/result presentation**

More work needs to be done, particularly in event presentation and also in result creation and presentation. It is obvious, that there is a discrepancy between the possibility to present on the competition side (assisted by Skydive TV) and the limitation when feeding the same presentation online to the FAI server.

The World Games 2017 in Wroclaw are being planned to have a similar set-up as for the Mondial 2012 in Dubai and improved to that which was presented at the WG 2103 in Cali.

#### **2. Positive and negative results:**

N/a

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

N/a

#### **4. Planned activities and projects for next year :**

##### **2017:**

- At the World Games 2017 in Wroclaw, Poland, Canopy Piloting has been selected for the 4th time in a row.
- All IPC Parachuting/Skydiving disciplines, except for Wingsuit-Flying have approved the following FCEs:
  - o World Championships in Paraski, St. Johann, Austria
  - o World Cup and European Championships in AE, CF, FS, SP, Saarlouis, Germany
  - o World Cup in Canopy Piloting, Wroclaw, Poland
  - o Junior European Championships in AL+ST, Podgorica, Montenegro
  - o European Championships in AL+ST, Podgorica, Montenegro
  - o World Indoor Skydiving Championships FS+AE, Laval, Canada

##### **2018:**

- Approved FCEs:
  - o World Junior FS+AL Championships, Montana, Bulgaria
  - o World FS+AL Championships, Montana, Bulgaria
- Bids for FCE:
  - o WPC in AE, FS, CF, SP from Russia and Australia
  - o WPC in CP, Wroclaw, Poland
  - o WCup in IS, FS and AE from Australia, Bahrain, Italy, Norway, Slovakia
- to be decided at the IPC Plenary 2017

##### **2019:**

- Bid for WCup in IS, FS and AE from Italy to be decided at the IPC Plenary 2017

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

- a) Improve the web site to a standard required to make it the first place for IPC information.
- b) Install an electronic archive for record achievements including dossiers documentation in electronic form.
- c) ASC autonomy over the ASC financial account for named ASC-Officials combined with reporting duties and information to FAI Head Office/Finance Secretary.
- d) Clarification of status of elected CASI board members, when status as a Delegate or as an ASC President ends during the term. **Proposal for all positions:** immediate and automatic substitution by the most senior Board member until the next election-
- e) Revision and specification of FAI-By-Laws 2016 paragraph 1.3 Air Sport Person, especially 1.3.3 and 1.3.4 regarding relationship with FAI.
- f) FAI guidance for the determination of a lowest age limit for IPC-competitors engaged in Indoor Skydiving in the Junior Category, as windtunnel operators have a legal age limitation as low as 3 years of age.

**6. Free reporting:**

N/a

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