



**FAI Ballooning Commission (CIA)**  
**Report to the 108<sup>th</sup> FAI General Conference**  
**Pattaya, 17-18 October 2014**

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

CIA Plenary Meeting in Lausanne, March 2014

**Major Events since last FAI GC:**

- 21st FAI World HAB Championship, Rio Claro (Brazil), July 2014
- 2nd FAI Junior HAB World Championship, Vichy (France), Sept. 2014
- 1st FAI Women's World HAB Championship 2014, Lezno (Poland), Sept. 2014
- 58<sup>th</sup> Coupe Aéronautique Gordon Bennett, Vichy (France), August 2014
- 2013 Tochigi HAB International Championship, Motegi (Japan), November 2013
- Canowindra International Balloon Challenge and Australian Nationals, April 2014

**2. Positive and negative results:**

- Women and Junior category World and Continental Championship events are now firmly established and are very successful
- CIA Loggers for sanctioned events are very popular and well accepted.
- International Ballooning Youth Camp very successful in Czech Republic
- Safety at sanctioned events remains very good with no incidents/accidents

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

- *Relationships with event organisers are very tedious and urgently require a new Organiser Agreement.*
- Logistics for the CIA Logger scheme are becoming more and more complex and there is a serious risk that the volunteers handling these may end up in overload mode very soon. It would therefore be very helpful if FAI would in the near future consider obtaining some kind of cooperation from professional logistics partners who would be available to handle the various ASC equipment schemes.

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

- 19th FAI European HAB Championship, Debrecen (Hungary), August 2015
- 59th Coupe Aéronautique Gordon Bennett, Sept. 2015
- 3rd FAI Women's European HAB Championship, Drenthe (Netherlands), Sept. 2015
- 2014 Tochigi HAB International Championship, Motegi (Japan), November 2014
- International Ballooning Youth Camp
- International Ranking List goes on-line

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

FAI to make logistics assistance available to the ASCs

**6. Free reporting:**

None

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