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Working Group Members:

Chair: Mohammed Al-Delayel

Deputy chair: Ron Miasnikov

- Chris Dixon
- Claire King
- Martin Lemay
- John Hitchen

Chair's Annual Report 2015

The Indoor working group does not interfere with competition rules, but is here to establish better communication between the IPC and the Tunnels around the world.

All tunnels are commercial, and not all are familiar with the IPC procedures.

This year we updated a bid guide, to help tunnel managers to understand the process and bid accordingly.

We are also updating a list of all known tunnels and contact details.

The first world championship in Prague was a very successful event. We believe that future events will be bigger. In addition, the first junior event in Freestyle and a demo event in Junior FS 4-way were very attractive.

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Indoor competitions open a window to the future of our sport. The live streaming and judging gives the audience the opportunity to see our beautiful sport.
Some feedback about the live stream: "It was like watching ESPN. I couldn't move away from the screen.."

There is a great interest from tunnels to host future events. On the table are 3 bids for the world cup in 2016, and 5 for the world championship in 2017.

Proposals for the future

There is an Initial brainstorming regarding "tunnel world tour", where top competitors and the tunnels get sponsored and spread the word. While it is still early days as the competition rules settle down, we hope to get more into it during the IPC meeting.

We know not all IPC delegates and NACs are happy with the fact the indoor is under the IPC, as it is not a parachuting activity. For some, it makes more sense to have it separately directly under the FAI. But at this early stage it will kill the momentum. It takes time to grow and become a mature, independent organization.

Most of the athletes are skydivers. Except for Dynamic events that can stand alone, the AE and FS skills are fundamentally the same as their respective skydiving competitions. The fact that the current World Champion team in Indoor and Outdoor are the same team with the same line-up emphasizes the tight relationship and natural grouping of the two formats. So it looks like the Indoor should be able to grow under the wings of IPC and in cooperation with it.

We believe there should be a point of contact within the IPC for all tunnels managers and manufacturers out there. To help establish good relationships and better cooperation, and encourage more events.

Within the working group, we are still debating whether our work is done, and the discipline committees should take care of the indoor and outdoor together, **OR** maybe this working group should become a committee of itself, representing 3 groups:

- IPC (competitions rules of FS and AE)
- Competitors
- The industry

Once again – the goal is to push the sport forward, get better, audience friendly events. The benefit to our Skydiving sport in general is huge. The committee, if decided upon one, will not be dealing with competition rules, as those will stay other the relevant committees.

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Mohammed Al-Delayel