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# Minutes

## of the **Bureau Meeting** of the **FAI Aeromodelling Commission**

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# FAI AEROMODELLING COMMISSION (CIAM)



## MINUTES

of the April 2017 CIAM Bureau Meeting  
held at Maison du Sport International (MSI), Lausanne  
on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 09.00 hours

<b>In the chair:</b>	<b>Mr Antonis Papadopoulos (Greece)</b>	<b>President of CIAM</b>
	Mr Bruno Delor (France)	1st Vice-President
	Mr Narve Jensen (Norway)	2nd Vice-President
	Mr Andras Ree (Hungary)	3rd Vice-President
		Treasurer
	Mr Massimo Semoli (Switzerland)	Secretary
	Mr Kevin Dodd (Australia)	Technical Secretary
	Mr Ian Kaynes (United Kingdom)	F1 Sub-Committee Chairman
		FF World Cup Co-ordinator
	Mr Peter Halman (United Kingdom)	F2 Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Tomas Bartovsky (Czech Republic)	F3 Soaring Sub-Committee Chairman
		F3B/J World Cup Co-ordinator
	Mr Dag Eckhoff (Norway)	F3C/N Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Rob Metkemeijer (Netherlands)	F3 Pylon Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Johan Ehlers (South Africa)	F4 Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Emil Giezendanner (Switzerland)	F5 Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Johannes Eissing (Germany)	F7 Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Joze Cuden (Slovenia)	SM Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Per Findahl (Sweden)	Education Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Richard Hanson (USA)	Observer – AMA President
	Mr Tim Jesky (USA)	Observer – AMA 7 <sup>th</sup> Vice President
	Mr Michael Giannoutsos (USA)	Observer – Multi GP
	Mr Pal Linden Anthonisen (Norway)	Observer
	Mr Harry Ells (Canada)	Observer
	Mr Sotir Lazarkov (Bulgaria)	Observer
	Mrs Sabine Pizzati	DHL Head of Sales
	Mr Bengt Lindgren	FAI Executive Board Member
	Mrs Susanne Schödel	FAI Secretary General
	Mr Markus Haggenev	FAI Sports and Events Director

The President opened the meeting at 09.00 and welcomed the members of the Bureau and observers.

The FAI Secretary General, Mrs Susanne Schödel, attended the meeting and made an introductory speech.

She welcomed all attendees and she mentioned that within the many ASCs that FAI is supporting, she is aware that Aeromodelling is the largest community managing almost half of the FAI events in the sport calendar.

CIAM has built a significant body of expertise in managing its many disciplines, not least the latest flying trend: Drones. Drones are the 'hot topic', they are affecting many areas in society. Three key strategies to consider are Safety, Sport and Innovation. The meeting was reminded to keep in contact with the NACs for new sports as well as traditional aeromodelling activities. Due to the rapidly increasing interest (sporting and commercial) in Drones, FAI is determined to be involved with its growth and development. FAI is negotiating with aeronautical authorities to mitigate the impacts on aeromodelling activity.

The CIAM President appreciated the excellent cooperation CIAM has with FAI HO and in particular with the FAI Secretary General and the FAI Sports and Events Director.

## Meetings Procedurals

### 1. **Agenda Review**

Mr Metkemeijer is going to refer to a proposal for section 12 of the CIAM sporting rules. It will be discussed at the item 15.

### 2. Mr. Ramel, F3 Aerobatics S/C chairman sent an email mentioning that he will not be available to attend the Bureau meeting. He will be present at the Plenary.

### 3. **Minutes of the December 2016 Bureau meeting**

No comments/remarks were offered and the Minutes were accepted.

### 4. **Schedule of Plenary Meeting, Technical Meetings and Awards Presentation Ceremony**

The CIAM Secretary, Mr Massimo Semoli, displayed his Plenary Meeting PowerPoint presentation for review by the CIAM Bureau.

The Technical Meetings' locations were assigned but they can be adjusted later in accordance with the number of attendees for each meeting. For the time being, 83 persons have been registered from a total of 34 countries with 6 proxies.

### 5. **CIAM S/C chairmen nominations and elections**

The F1 Free Flight, F3 RC Soaring, F3 RC Pylon Racing Subcommittee Chairmen confirmed they intend standing for re-election. The F3 RC Helicopters Sub-Committee Chairman declared that he will not stand for re-election.

It was agreed that each of the new candidates will have 2 minutes for presenting themselves.

### 6. **Open Forum about "Future format of CIAM events"**

The section will be presented by the FAI President who prepared a PowerPoint presentation.

### 7. **Dates for 2017 December Bureau meeting. Dates for 2018 Bureau and Plenary meetings**

Bureau Meeting: The December Bureau meeting will take place at Lausanne on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> December 2017. The Plenary meeting dates will be notified by FAI. No offers arrived for other locations where the 2018 Plenary Meeting might be held.

## FUTURE WAG & AIR GAMES SERIES PROJECT

### 8. Air Games Series Concept

The FAI Secretary General presented briefly the concept.

Air Games is a new concept and is going to be similar to the WAG concept but not to such an extent. It will combine a maximum of four disciplines including aeromodelling for attracting media, spectators and the general public. They will appear like Air Shows.

There is interest for this new concept but now it is still under development and in the next weeks and months will be refined and after consultation with all FAI bodies a plan will be announced.

It has to be defined what is required in terms of: infrastructure, number of competitors and which ones, how the NACs have to be involved and the relevant costs.

There is a presentation about this concept which will be presented at the Plenary Meeting during the Open Forum section.

### WAG

The FAI Sports and Events Director informed about the future WAG. It will be similar to the WAG in Dubai. There was initial feedback from five countries for WAG 2019 – 2020. Two of them are still lining up. A South East Asia organiser should come to Lausanne in four weeks and USA (Albuquerque) organisers will meet with FAI in USA at the end of May.

The WAG in Albuquerque would be a mega million dollar turn over activity. It is much easier to organise an air show than a multidiscipline sporting event. They are interested in the format and in the concept but they want to get a smart proposal with commercial opportunities. It is serious work to convince the bidders.

## Reports

### 9. Reports of Subcommittee Chairmen

The reports are available as Plenary Meeting Agenda Annexes.

The F4 subcommittee chairman reported he had discussed real time scoring with the subcommittee members.

The F2 subcommittee chairman discussed the New Zealand proposal for creating a Working Group for setting the F2F rules for next year.

The F2 subcommittee chairman is performing an investigation/survey about the junior participations (old and new) using a questionnaire. It can be discussed during the Polish proposal (Junior age limit) discussion at the plenary meeting.

The summary of the results will be presented at the December Bureau meeting.

**Action: F2 subcommittee chairman  
December Bureau meeting**

The Free Flight subcommittee chairman pointed out about the difference in the junior championships which are independent from seniors.

### 10. CIAM Flyer Status Report. Emil Giezendanner, Editor

The CIAM President thanked Mr Giezendanner for his continued excellent work on the CIAM Flyer.

### 11. CIAM Treasurer's Report:

#### 11.1 2017 Budget

Income and Expenditure are in the report annexed to the Plenary Meeting Agenda. We still have Serbia and Poland which haven't paid yet for medals.

4000 € of sponsor money is in the budget but not yet available.

The Championships medals are available for many years.

The World Cup medals are sufficient for this year and next year.

The model stickers are sufficient for next year only. They need to be ordered next year if the system does not change i.e. to provide them only in electronic format.

### **11.2 2018 Budget Proposal**

It was presented on the screen. There were no comments.

### **11.3 Any other**

The CIAM Treasurer will send his report to the delegates before the beginning of the Plenary Meeting.

## **12. Sporting Code. Report by the Technical Secretary**

It is a huge task and the 107 pages of proposals were sent in due time for the Plenary Meeting agenda.

## **13. Scholarship Selection (item 22 of Dec Bureau Meeting)**

Mr Findhal informed that one expert has been substituted by a Russian one and presented the analysis and the voting for the six candidates for the 2017 CIAM Scholarship. Mr Findhal was pleased to announce that the recommended candidate for 2017 was Taron MALKHASYAN (USA).

The Bureau approved and the Plenary Meeting will be asked to approve the selection.

## **14. FAI Medals status**

From item 10.1, the CIAM Treasurer informed that Serbia and Poland still have to pay for the medals.

## **Sporting Calendar**

## **15. Contest Calendar.**

The F3 Soaring Sub-Committee Chairman informed that the World Cup F3F coordinator asked for exceptional late approval for a competition to be held in October in Chinese Taipei.

The Bureau is in favour. The F3 Soaring Sub-Committee Chairman will ask the Plenary to approve this exception.

### **15.1 2017 World and Continental Championships.**

The CIAM Secretary showed the status of the 2017 championships on the screen.

A problem was identified with the organisation of the Space Models European Championships in Poland. Without requesting the CIAM Bureau approval, the organiser changed the location (for organisational reasons) of the championships from Nowy Targ to Wloclawek i.e. 400 Km away. It is the same location where the 2017 Helicopter F3CN WCh was organised.

The Space Models Subcommittee Chairman was not informed as well and since this field was not used before for SM events he was unable to provide comments for the suitability of the new location. He is in contact with the organiser.

Three countries complained about this change due to the fact that they had already made all the travelling arrangements and hotel reservations. Nine countries are now registered to attend the Championships.

After discussion, three options have been identified:

- Keep the original location
- Cancel the championships and ask the organiser to refund the sustained costs
- Accept the new location on condition that the new location is considered acceptable by the Space Subcommittee Chairman and refund the already sustained trip costs.

This issue and the options can be discussed with the organisers during the Plenary

Meeting if the Polish organiser will be present. If a solution is not found, this issue needs to be discussed with the Plenary. The CIAM Bureau agrees.

## 15.2 2018 and Future World and Continental Championships.

The CIAM Secretary showed the status of the championships up to 2021 on the screen. He pointed out that Romania made offers for 23 Championships and the CIAM President expressed concerns about so many offers from one country only.

### Championships bids issue

As occurred last year, some NACs provided late, after the due date (45 days before the Plenary Meeting), the necessary documents for participating in the 2018 and 2019 FAI Championships bidding process at this year's Plenary Meeting.

After discussion, it was agreed that:

- the NACs with documentation received after the deadline ~~set~~ cannot be included in the process if other NACs which submitted documentation on time are bidding.
- when NACs with late documentation are the only bidders and are checked as recommended by the relevant Subcommittee Chairman, the approval to allow the bids to proceed, will be given by vote by the Plenary.

The Free Flight Subcommittee Chairman pointed out that the due date for presenting the Bids documentation is the same for presenting the Plenary Meeting agenda. Therefore, the bids received at the last minutes cannot be included in the Plenary Meeting agenda even if they are complete bids. The discussion showed that the solution to this issue is not easy.

The Bids status was presented by the CIAM Secretary and it was checked with the various Subcommittee Chairmen. It was established which Bids (late or in time) they recommended or not for being presented at the Plenary Meeting.

Mr Markus Haggene, the FAI Sports and Events Director, described the Championship Organiser Agreement and he stated that it should be signed by any bidder. Very often the local organiser makes changes to the championship and FAI cannot claim any previous agreement. Even the involved NACs could not agree about the changes made by the local organiser. Therefore, the Organiser Agreement should be signed by the relevant NAC as well.

## 15.3 Bulletin – 0 Approvals for 2018 Events organised between January and April (if any).

One championship will be organised early next year: 2018 FAI F1D WCh in USA.

Bulletin 0 was recently sent but not yet checked. It will be assessed and approved via e-mail and the Bulletin 1 published by June.

**Action: F1 subcommittee chairman and CIAM Secretary**

## Proposals

### 16 Plenary Meeting Agenda and Sporting Code Proposals

The CIAM President saw that a lot of proposals are referring to the same article of the Sporting Code mainly in free flight and space models proposals. He asked the technical meetings to make recommendations and combine the proposals.

He had the following comments about the proposals in the Plenary meeting agenda:

Proposal 14.3 b): is a proposal from Poland about Junior age. It will be discussed at item 26. He also mentioned that this is a matter for CASI as well.

Proposal 14.3 e); this proposal is relevant to F2 Category. A technical meeting is not

scheduled for this year so this proposal cannot be properly commented on. Therefore, it has to be referred to the Subcommittee for consideration. It is known that most of the subcommittee members are against this proposal.

Proposal 14.3 e): this proposal asks to introduce timing devices. The CIAM President clarified that the EDIC working group shall be involved for approving the devices.

Mr Metkemeijer made the proposal to establish an Expert Group assisting the Bureau for the Section 12 Sporting Rules (Records). The group could be composed of the following persons: Dr. John Langford (USA), Art Greenfield (USA), Sergey Ananov (Russia and CASI member) and Bengt Lindgren.

For the time being and since the Section 12 is not finalised, in case of record claims Mr Dodd will work on them.

The Bureau accepted the proposal and the approval at the Plenary Meeting will be requested.

Mr Dodd mentioned that if the Draft Record Volume (Aeromodelling) is accepted, some existing Records need to be retired and it has to be approved by the Plenary.

It will be discussed with annex 7 of the Plenary Meeting agenda.

In addition, Mr Halman pointed out that three proposals included on the agenda are the same as last year when they were rejected. Bureau has to think about repeating proposals.

## 17 Review of Bureau Proposals

### 17.1 Plenary Agenda Bureau Proposals

Mr Eckhoff mentioned a proposal about new manoeuvres for RC Helicopters from Switzerland but this was submitted last February. Therefore, it is too late and it should be referred back to the S/C.

Mr Halman is proposing to amend some Bureau CGR proposals as send via e-mail to the CIAM Bureau.

- About the Rule A.6.4, he stated that the appeal process must be independent, confining it to the plenary where many of the bureau members are also delegates would mean that the prosecutors are also the appeal jury, this is not fair. The appeal must be considered by another FAI committee or tribunal.

The CIAM President asked which body of FAI should take care of the appeal and that CIAM should consult FAI before involving them in a decision process. In any case the appeal as proposed will be treated by the Plenary which already has the authority to elect the Bureau members and therefore to dismiss them.

Mr Lindgren, member of FAI EB, proposed to discuss this matter tonight with the FAI General Secretary and with the FAI Sports and Events Director and to provide a decision by tomorrow ready for the presentation of the right proposal at the Plenary Meeting.

**Action: Mr Lindgren**

The Bureau agreed that "Subcommittee Chairman" at the beginning of the proposed amended proposal should be deleted.

- About the Rule A.8, Mr Halman defined all clear means which must be allowed for submission of the Technical Experts list.
- About the Rule C.4, Mr Halman proposed a wording clarification.
- About the Rule C.9, Mr Halman defined all clear means which must be allowed for submission of the Judges Experts list.
- About the Rule C.13.1, Mr Halman stated that it is essential that the rules are available for all to see, the old rule which required a copy of the rules to be displayed no longer makes sense due to the size of the sporting code. A printed copy of the rules in English must therefore be made available so that competitors may check the rules.

After discussion it was agreed to include the following sentence:

"The organiser must make available on request for inspection a printed or electronic copy of the English version of the rules."

Mr Halman will take responsibility to prepare the agreed definition of the proposals to be presented at the Plenary Meeting

### 17.2 Additional Bureau Proposals

None.

## Interim Decisions

### 18 Bureau Approval of the Judges and Jury Composition changes (if any)

The changes of Judges and Jury composition about the 2017 FAI F2 EChs have been discussed and agreed as an interim decision. It will be published in the next bulletin. No other comments.

### 19 Any Other

None

## Drones Matters

### 20 F3U – FPV Racing Volume considerations

The CIAM President stated that this volume remains out of the frozen documentation and asked how it can be managed.

Mr Delor informed that the FPV racing subcommittee is composed of technical experts from 21 NACs.

The World Cup is a success. This last year had 230 competitors with FAI licenses. There were 16 events in 12 countries, this is double compared to the previous year. He asked for flexibility for modifying the rules in accordance with the organisers' needs and with the experience acquired and the lessons learnt. In March the rules could be changed due to the provisional status of the class.

It was discussed how to ensure flexibility with the CIAM rules which require 2 years of provisional phase before organising FAI CAT-1 championships. Creating an exception for this class was commonly acceptable.

Mr Giannoutsos, observer from USA, concurred that UAV technology is changing rapidly and, for that reason, informed that also AMA consider the UAVs a special case.

Mr Lindgren pointed out that in Sweden the Drones cannot fly over 120 meters and its community is not considered aeromodelling since they fly using a computer. He asked to consider this aspect as well.

Mr Dodd spoke about safety when many people fly with drones. In Australia, the Civil Aviation Authority has brought out a safety pamphlet which outlines rules for flying drones such as being limited to 400 feet and not within 5.5 km of an airport. However, membership of the MAAA and operating under our manual of procedures can relax some of these regulations.

Mr Metkemeijer informed that the FPVs flying outdoor are strictly forbidden in Netherlands.

Mr. Hanson, AMA President, pointed out the safety aspects and the public image of the drones and mentioned that AMA is cooperating with MultiGP, as a special interested group (SIG) and he mentioned that AMA is only concerned about the safety issues and not the technical ones.

### 21 Separate F-class and maybe separate ASC

The CIAM President pointed out that new categories with Drones are emerging e.g. the free style. The F8 identification could be used as a solution. In CIAM a separate F-class can be considered and if so decided a separate ASC has to be approved by FAI General Conference.

Mr Metkemeijer considers the FPV outside of aeromodelling and a new ASC should be created or the CIAM rules should make an exception for this class.

Mr Delor asked the meeting to consider that the drones' activities are aeromodelling. If a new ASC is to be established, this would require new resources and persons which are already

available in CIAM. In addition, the F3U subcommittee is working very well, but requires flexibility in particular for Drones racing.

Mr. Hanson, AMA President, stated that barriers considering only FPV should not be introduced to drones' activities and that technology will be able to remove actual concerns like for VLOS.

Mr Lindgren asked not to look at the past but to the future and he made the examples of the IJMC and of the IMAC. Good rules have to be established and to be understandable by the people.

The FAI Secretary General pointed out that sooner or later a dedicated FAI body will have to be established. The rapid changes are understood and FAI shall organise events even with temporary solutions. However it is too early to conclude what the best management option could be.

The CIAM President made the example of the Red Bull Air Race which is an FAI class and doesn't constitute an ASC. It is working very well and we can follow this scheme for the Drone Racing.

Mr Giannoutsos pointed out that flexibility is the requirement and the rules should follow this so that more people will be interested to be involved.

## **22 Drones World Championships**

The FAI Secretary General confirmed that for now the F3U class cannot be disconnected from CIAM. Mr. Hanson, AMA President, recommended keeping the F3U class within CIAM's rules and procedures.

Mr Delor pointed out the activity of the F3U subcommittee as the dedicated entity within CIAM. A solution could be to consider the Drones World Championships like the Red Bull Air Race.

Another possible solution could be to consider the Drones World Championships different from the classical championship like World Series event and it has to be managed by FAI EB together with CIAM.

However, the best solution now is to consider the World Championships with name "Drones Racing" not "F3U", following the existing rules, but keep them as provisional so that they can easily be amended.

A sponsor and other resources will be necessary.

Mr Halman noted the two years rule before organising a World Championship for that class. It could be necessary to explain to the delegates that what is in the CIAM General Rules might not be applied to this class.

The FAI Secretary General pointed out the high interest in drones and she provided the example where they are now preferred to helicopters for making video reports of motorsport events. There is the perception of a new and fast technology. Therefore, it is urgent to organise World Championships for drones and contacts have been made with Australia and China. 70% of Drones are manufactured in China. The first World Championship should be organised at the end of 2017 or beginning of 2018.

Considering it is different from the classical World Championship, a qualification criteria and scheme has to be carefully developed.

The CIAM President proposed to provide a simple proposal to the 2017 Plenary meeting:

- Keep the F3U class in CIAM
- Provide details of the concept of how to organise the first Drone Racing World Championship.

## **23 Ruling Authorities and future considerations (Annexes 1 to 4)**

This item was discussed on a separate meeting which was scheduled just after the Bureau meeting and started about 18.00. Annexes 1 to 4 are the presentation and data relevant to that meeting.

## **24 JARUS Meeting update**

The CIAM President reported the summary of JARUS meeting.

The JARUS is the Joint Authorities for Rulemaking on Unmanned Systems.

It is an advisory group with support from ICAO and it will take care of the future of the unmanned aviation. EASA, FAA and Eurocontrol are key members of JARUS.

The authority considers that model aircraft and unmanned aviation are something similar. If CIAM stays with the position of considering them different, we will not achieve any useful agreement for the model aircraft recreational activity. We are better off working with their definition.

Mr. Hanson, AMA President, agreed with the CIAM President and informed that AMA was already focusing on the activity of the recreational flyers in its discussions with FAA.

## **25 Any other**

No other matter.

<b>Issues</b>
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## **26 Delivery of the Junior Medals of the 2016 FAI F3 European Championships for Model Helicopters held in Poland. (item 12.5 of Dec Bureau Meeting)**

Issue closed.

## **27 Issues using FAI Licence database (item 13 of Dec Bureau Meeting)**

The CIAM President discussed this issue with Mr Leinikki. In addition to the FAI database this year a new utility was introduced for the Judges and Technical Experts. There are some issues which need to be solved so as to avoid using the paper forms in the future.

Mr Kaynes pointed out that the Contest Management System is not very helpful for the World Cup. We need to enhance it and he will provide some ideas to Mr Leinikki.

Another matter is that some members do not have access to the utility because FAI is providing access only to the NACs. CIAM President will discuss this with Mr Leinikki to find a proper solution.

## **28 Trophies (item 18 of Dec Bureau Meeting)**

The Technical Secretary presented the status of trophies.

Some trophies were lost and investigation is in progress.

FFAM of France donated two new trophies to be awarded at the 2017 championships.

One existing trophy has been nominated and another became FAI perpetual trophy.

All the above trophies will be presented at the Plenary Meeting for approval.

## **29 Sanction fees of cancelled already registered events. (item 19.3 of Dec Bureau Meeting)**

Already part of the Bureau proposals to be discussed at the Plenary Meeting.

## **30 F3J Intertour using FAI rules and logo (item 23.1 of Dec Bureau Meeting)**

The CIAM President is going to discuss this matter with the Slovakian Delegate and he will report later.

**31 How to award championships that are missing the approval of the Plenary Meeting (item 25 of Dec Bureau Meeting)**

This matter will be discussed at the December Bureau Meeting.

**Action: CIAM Bureau  
December Bureau meeting**

During the 2017 Plenary Meeting and according to the existing CGR, CIAM Bureau will ask the authorisation to approve late championship offers.

**Action: CIAM Secretary  
Plenary Meeting**

Mr Haggenev asked to include the championship organiser agreement as item to be discussed at the December Bureau Meeting. With the Bid documentation the organiser agreement can be submitted by the organiser, not yet signed but ready to be signed as soon as the championship is awarded.

**Action: CIAM Secretary  
December Bureau meeting**

**32 List of Judges and Technical Experts – New applications for on line input (item 26 of December Bureau Meeting)**

This matter was discussed together with the FAI SL database matters in item 27

**33 F2C Noise Plan Development (item 28 of Dec Bureau Meeting)**

The F2 Subcommittee chairman informed that little progress has been made.

Mr Metkemeijer proposed devices able to reduce the noise. Some competitors appear to accept the idea and some others not.

The CIAM President mentioned that there is a specific Plenary decision which has to be followed.

The deadline is 2018 for providing a proposal and if no other acceptable solutions are identified, the original proposal which was postponed shall be adopted.

A meeting on the matter will be held during the 2017 FAI F2 ECh in Hungary.

**34 Medals and Diplomas awards (Juniors) (item 29 of Dec Bureau Meeting)**

A new proposal will be defined for considering less than four nations for the Juniors.

**35 Clarification of the FAI Contest Registration Form (item 31 of December Bureau meeting).**

Issue closed.

**36 CIAM Mailing lists - Contact person per case (item 34 of December Bureau meeting).**

Two CIAM mailing lists: Delegates and General information. Some information didn't flow due to the NACs which are not passing emails on.  
More contact points per country should be established.

The CIAM President will discuss it with Mr Leinikki.

**37 Junior Classification (definition)**

The CIAM President observed that the age limit for juniors is not the same among the various ASCs. For other sports the limit for juniors is not based only on the birth date but also on the physical and psychological attitude.

This will be discussed during the Polish proposal assessment at the 2017 Plenary Meeting

and it will be suggested to Poland to refer back to the bureau for discussion at the December Bureau Meeting.

**Action: CIAM Secretary  
December Bureau meeting**

The CIAM President is going to discuss at the next CASI plenary but since most of the junior competitors are in aeromodelling a position from CIAM bureau is required.

## Activities

### **38 Comments and improvement to the CGR volume**

The document will have new look with a new format defined by FAI office. The new FAI website will be implemented in June and it will forecast the new format of the documents. The Hyperlink feature will be used.

The Technical Secretary asked to move the early implementation date of the proposals approved at the Plenary Meeting to the 1 of June 2017.

No other comment was provided.

### **39 Safety guidelines for CIAM General Rules considerations (item 32 of December Bureau meeting).**

The CIAM President proposed to prepare a new document describing the CIAM safety guidelines. It will be of general use and not limited only for competitions. He informed that FAA accepted AMAs Safety Code and the same kind of document has to be issued by FAI for all members.

CIAM Bureau decided to establish a Working Group which will work to prepare the "CIAM Safety Guidelines" document. On proposal of the CIAM President, Mr. Hanson, USA Delegate and AMA President, accepted to be the Chairman of this Working Group. Mr Giezendanner proposed himself for this group. During the Plenary Meeting the additional members of this WG will be appointed.

### **40 Record registration during a championship (item 36 of December Bureau meeting)**

Mr Ree took the task to prepare a proposal to be submitted to CASI for managing records which are achieved sequentially during a championship.

**Action: 3rd Vice-President**

### **41 FAI Agreement with DHL – Opportunities (item 40 of December Bureau meeting) (Annex 5)**

FAI is now cooperating with DHL as of last September taking advantage of their expertise for dispatching sporting goods.

Mrs Sabine Pizzati, DHL Head of Sales, joined the meeting and explained to the attendees how DHL can manage the transportation of models boxes, batteries and fuels to and from the events location.

She provided information and links useful for understanding how to manage the transport of sporting goods. Annex 5.

The CIAM President stated that he didn't want the organisers, competitors and team managers to contact DHL individually and asked if, months in advance of a championship, DHL can be contacted for organising the transportation of all competitors' equipment. In this way, DHL, as one company, can provide a better service and the cooperation of FAI with DHL will add value to the competitor support.

Mrs Sabine Pizzati replied that this contact in advance can be with her or with her team.

CIAM Bureau with Mr Haggenev (FAI Sports and Events Director) will be in contact with DHL in order to find a way to assist CIAM event organisers and participants to take advantage of the agreement between FAI and DHL.

On request of the CIAM Secretary, the contact information for taking advantage of DHL service will be able to be downloaded soon from the FAI website.

**Action: FAI Sports and Events Director**

The FAI Sports and Events Director explained that the DHL process includes custom management and other steps for transporting sporting goods and FAI should educate members how to use DHL services.

For Moto GP organisation, DHL is still proving a global service for transferring the goods of the competing teams. It could be taken as example for managing the transportation needs for FAI Championships.

The CIAM President asked the subcommittee chairmen to consider the possible advantages of using this agreement.

**42 Maximum amount covered by insurance provided by championships organisers (item 25 of April Bureau meeting).**

Mr Delor found that it is not easy to define a universal minimum or maximum amount to be covered by insurance for CIAM events.

Mr Haggenev proposed including a generic sentence in the organiser agreement and the organiser should provide the relevant data before organising a championship. Three topics: the organiser shall have insurance i.a.w. the legal specification of the country; It has to be notified to FAI; some FAI responsibility.

Mr Delor proposed to include information about the insurance policy for the event by the organiser directly in the Bulletin 0 template. He will modify the template.

**Action: 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President**

**43 CIAM events involving Jet Models (item 48.1 of December Bureau meeting)**

The CIAM President reminded the meeting that the FAI Secretary General requested activity from the jet class of model aircraft.

The Scale Subcommittee Chairman mentioned that some rules changes (like accepting Gyros) were introduced to make it easier for jet competitors. Three classes are now in the Scale category and the Jet one should be promoted.

The CIAM President informed about various meetings held with the IJMC organisation but it was evident that their opinion versus a possible cooperation with FAI hasn't changed, i.e. they want to remain independent.

Mr Lindgren stated that the present CIAM sporting rules include 20 Kg weight limit, not acceptable for IJMC. In addition, they are using their rules and they are not looking to pay sanction fees to FAI. They think FAI/CIAM has remained in the past. He is going to attend the next IJMC Jet Master championship.

Mr Dodd stated that it is too late to recover the situation with model jet events In Australia, there are jet competitions with models up to 150 Kg and in USA there is the Top Gun event without weight limit.

## Any Other Business

### 44 Any Other Business

It is confirmed that the December Bureau meeting will take place at Lausanne on the 8th and 9th December 2017. The Plenary meeting dates will be confirmed by FAI HO.

The CIAM President congratulated Mr Dag Eckoff and expressed CIAM's appreciation for his long service and dedication as Helicopter Subcommittee Chairman. The FAI book "1905-2005 High Flyers - A Century of Sporting Achievement in the Air" signed by the CIAM bureau members was offered to him.

The CIAM President closed the meeting at 17.20