



## **CIVL 2024 Plenary - Annexe 38K - Proposal from France**

### **PG XC Cat 1 Worlds Championships / Fairness**

#### **Background & Rational**

*After discussions within the committee about a topic started by the Bureau.*

Due to the combination of current selection rules between Team composition and Individuals, for PG XC Worlds Championship, some nations are allowed to be represented by more pilots than the maximum team size defined in the local regulations. Having extra pilots can give an advantage, to the point that fairness in current team championships could not be a reality anymore.

Also the current selection criteria limit the number of participating nations in Teams championships.

On the other hand, fairness issues have also been raised regarding individual competition when organized together with the Team event, as some of the most talented pilots in the world cannot be qualified to compete individually according to current selection process, thus decreasing the value of the PG XC Individual Worlds Championship.

Also, today, Worlds and Continental XC championships are not organized the same year to keep an appropriate time and cost burden for pilots and nations, thus insuring highest sportive value standard to each title.

The proposal intends to reinstate fairness in Team Championships, starting with the 2025 PG XC Worlds Championships, as well as in Individual Championships, through allowing more top pilots to compete in future PG XC Worlds Individual Championships.

#### **Proposals**

CAT.1 Worlds championships in PG XC are organized separately for Team and Individual titles, alternatively every second year starting in 2025.

Next PG XC Worlds Championship to be held in Brazil 2025 will be Team only.

Selection criteria for Team will be within Top 1500, with 4 maximum size (with maximum 3 of one gender), with scoring by the best 2 pilots of a team in each task (no discard).

LR will determine other parameters, especially allocation process calendar.

Consequently, the next PG XC Individual Worlds Championship will be held in 2027.

Following PG XC Team Worlds Championship will then be held in 2029, and following PG XC Individual Worlds Championship in 2031; and so on ..., which allows keeping PG XC Continentals Championships to be held as currently every 2 years in between (PG XC Continental Team & Individual championships can still be organized jointly).

Mandate is given to the Bureau to work out a proposal (*deadline 2025 Plenary*) for the Individual PG XC Worlds championship format, either to be held in the frame of PWCA superfinal, with a process to be worked out between PWCA & CIVL (in particular about deciding Pilots qualification and selection, and the location), or, in case of no such agreement, as a CIVL-only organization with current criteria.

Possibility to adapt contribution to WPRS from pilot performances during the Team Championships (with possible combination with Team performance) will also be worked out to reach a *proposal for 2025 Plenary*.