FAI International Gliding Commission (IGC)

Report to the 112th FAI General Conference

Luxor, 26-27 October 2018

Reported by Eric MOZER - President

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


Series IX Sailplane Grand Prix – 7 National Events held in 2018
(Australia, USA, Poland, Russia, Sweden, France, Italy, Germany)

35th FAI World Gliding Championships, Ostrow (POL), 7 - 22 July 2018
Club Class Champion - Rasmus ØRSKOV (DEN)
Standard Class Champion - Sjaak SELEN (NED)
15m Class Champion - Sebastian KAWA (POL)

35th FAI World Gliding Championships, Hosin, (CZE), 28 July – 12 August 2018
Open Class Champion - Michael SOMMER (GER)
18 Meter Class Champion - Wolfgang JANOWITSCH (AUT)
20 Meter Multi-seat Class - KAWA/MATKOWSKI (POL)

IGC Fall Bureau meeting – Paris, France, 6-7 October

Perlan 2 – New World Altitude Record Claim – 4 September, 2018 - Perlan 2 glider pilots Jim Payne and Tim Gardner rode an Andes mountain wave to an unofficial glider record of 76,124 feet pressure altitude Sept. 2 near El Calafate, Argentina - http://perlanproject.org

World Soaring Cup 2018 – The initial winner of the World Soaring Cup, which recognizes the best performance by a World Champion in a calendar year, is Michael SOMMER (GER)

2. Positive and negative results:

World championships in both Poland and the Czech Republic were well organized and safe.

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

The new technology of the Open Glider Network (OGN) and the tracking and real time data that is now available has caused significant consternation amongst pilots.

The IGC will establish a new technologies working group that will study and make recommendations on this new technology and the impact on IGC Championships
4. **Planned activities and projects for next year:**

- 3rd FAI World 13.5m Class Gliding Championship, 2019 Pavullo, Italy
- 11th FAI Junior World Gliding Championships 2019, Szeged, Hungary
- 10th FAI Women’s World Gliding Championship 2019, Lakekeepit, Australia
- 20th FAI European Gliding Championships 2019, Turbia - near Stolowa Wola, Poland (18m, 20m, Open)
- 20th FAI European Gliding Championships 2019, Prievidza, Slovakia (Club, Std., 15m)
- 3rd FAI Pan-American Gliding Championships 2019, SW Ontario, Canada (18-Meter and Handicapped Classes)
- 9th FAI Sailplane Grand Prix Final – La Cerdanya (ESP)
- IGC Plenary – Istanbul (TUR)

Continued planning for the IGC events to be competed at the 2020 FAI World Air Games – no test event is envisioned at this time

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