



Notes from the IGC Bureau online meeting Thursday 30th November 2023 at 06:00 UTC

Participants

- Peter Eriksen, president (PE)
- Rick Sheppe, 1st vice-president (RS)
- Brian Spreckley, vice-president (BS)
- Frouwke Kuijpers, vice-president (FK)
- Angel Casado, vice-president (AC)
- Mandy Temple, vice-president (MT)
- Vladimir Foltin, secretary (VF)
- Christof Geisler, vice president, (CG)

Apologies

- Patrick Pauwels, treasurer (PP)

1. Welcome (PE)

2. Bureau Action List (PE)

The Bureau reviewed and updated the list of actions.

3. Finance (PE due to PP absence)

a. 2023 status

b. Sanction fees for coming years

The proposal for an automatic increase in sanction fees, adopted at the last IGC Plenary, has resulted in a more predictable situation for both organisers and the IGC.

c. Ranking List contract adjustment

Still to be implemented.

4. Championship Management (MT)

a. Report from the CMWG

MT referred to the written report:

- Poland indicated a possibility of bidding for the EGC 2026

- Question from the FAI about PAGC numbering after the cancellation in 2022.

Decision: The next event will be called 4th PAGC.

- The number of entries per NAC in 23rd EGC 2025

Decision: The Bureau approved 2 crews per NAC in 20m two seat class at the EGC 2025

- Realignment of the contest schedule as proposed by MT

Decision: The Bureau agreed to include the new structure in the Bid document

b. Request from Tabor (JWGC) to increase tow prices

The formal request is still pending.

c. JEGC/WGC 2024 Ostrow



Action: MT to ask organisers for analysis based on original process and official inflation to demonstrate they are within these margins.

5. Certification of Championship Sporting Directors (PE)

6. Clarification of Committee and WG roles regarding Plenary proposals

The Bureau recalled that the GFAC is a sub-committee of ANDS. All proposals by GFAC must be submitted to ANDS committee for review and decision on whether a formal proposal will be submitted to the Bureau for final consideration. This should not result in GFAC ideas not being put forward if in line or consistent with established IGC policies or the Sporting Code.

Action: RS to inform GFAC about the clarification.

Action: VF to incorporate the clarification into the IGC Rules and Procedures document.

7. Annex A (RS)

RS referred to the written report.

MT sent list of all items that need to be in Local Procedures as of 2024.

DE will not submit one of their proposals if that item goes to Annex A in Oct 2024.

8. Sailplane Grand Prix (BS)

a. 2024/25

The bid from PL got stuck in the FAI server and was never received by the management team within the timeline.

The next series events were allocated. The website is being updated. The Scoring SW needs to be updated – the discussion with Naviter could be initiated if no happen progress by the end of the year.

The discussion took place on how to encourage more junior and women pilots at the SGP event. The DE event will be mixed as a test. As of 2025 there may be limited junior only series and the junior SGP final. More details to be presented at the bureau meeting just prior to the 2024 IGC Plenary.

9. Low emission Gliding WG (PE)

a. Status

Nothing to report since the last meeting.

10. Feed-back - FAI General Conference, Dayton Ohio, USA (RS)

RS represented the IGC. It was a 4-day event including the meeting of the FAI Commissions Presidents. Among the main topics discussed was the possibility of two FAI licences (traditional via NACs, licences for drones directly with the FAI but limited to Cat2 events only). The IGC will align the Simulated Gliding events with this policy - the winner of the World Cup (Cat2) and the WGC Champion (from the same contests). Additionally, the existing suspensions were extended, the code of ethics was adopted and the reversed budget (like the previous year +2-3% increase) was adopted (due to limited resources available in 2024). The FAI GC also included the FAI Awards dinner. The next FAI GC will be in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

Action: The IGC to align the rules for Simulated Gliding events with the FAI's policy on sporting licences.



The FAI was invited to select disciplines to participate in virtual Olympic Games – gliding is a strong candidate.

11. The IGC Champion Pilot of the Year (PE)

The feedback received from the FAI secretariat of the ways forward.

Decision: The IGC decided to include "The IGC Champion Pilot of the Year" in the FAI By-Laws.

12. Awards nominations

a. 2024 Plenary nominations

b. How do we increase the interest to get more nominations?

IGC Bureau to intend to seek and nominate worthy candidates for all IGC/FAI awards.

Action: PE to include the topic of IGC Awards in the agenda at the next Bureau meeting in January.

Action: VF to draft a message to delegates about the process.

13. 2024 IGC Plenary, Toulouse 1-2 March 2024 (VF)

a. Review of Bureau proposals

b. Preparation of Year-2 proposals

c. Subjects for discussion

d. Guests

e. Awards

Action – PE to initiate the contact with the local organisers for the meeting invitation.

14. AOB

Action – VF to disseminate the link to access the Bureau's Cloud.

The next meeting to take place on 9-Jan 2024 12:00 - 14:00 UTC