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2023 ISC - INTERIM BUREAU DECISIONS

IBD 2023-01 (06-02-2023) - MOTION OMITTED FROM THE PLENARY

SUBJECT:

During the 2023 ISC Plenary Meeting, Spain and Hungary jointly proposed a motion to modify Sporting Code Section 5 - 4.4.4. Withdrawal from an FCE.

Although no objection was raised to the principle of the proposal, a slight correction to the text was requested. Although the requested change was made, the subject was omitted from the remaining agenda and, consequently, not approved.

DECISION:

The ISC bureau decided to approve the updated text for inclusion in the 2023 edition of FAI Sporting Code Section 5. See below:

4.4.4 Withdrawal from an FCE:

A competitor who, or team which, withdraws before the official start date, from an FCE that does take place, having had their entry accepted, will be entitled to a refund of 50% of any entry fees paid (excluding Sanction Fees, which are not refundable). A competitor, who or team which, withdraws after the official start date, from an FCE that does take place, due to an injury or any other valid reason, having had their entry accepted, will be entitled to the refund of the amount corresponding to any jumps not yet executed or any wind tunnel time not yet flown. The final amount will be agreed to by the Organizer, the Jury President and the Competitor, team leader or Head of Delegation prior to the end of the event. fees. For this purpose, entry fees paid will exclude any fee levied for late submission of the entry or late payment of the entry fees.

IBD 2023-02 (20-02-2023) - ADDITIONAL RULE CHANGE - AE

SUBJECT

The AE Committee requested that the below line (bullet point 5 of Addendum A1) be struck out from the 2023 Artistic Events Competition Rules as this was omitted in the Plenary presentation of rule changes and consequently not adopted.

DECISION

The bureau unanimously decided to approve this additional rule change and the 2023 version of the Artistic Events Competition Rules will be adjusted accordingly.

IBD 2023-03 (29-05-2023) - CHANGE OF AIRCRAFT (PROSTEJOV)

SUBJECT

The organiser of the European Championship and World Cup of Wingsuit Flying and Speed Skydiving in Prostejov, Czech Republic informed the FAI Controller of a problem with the Caravan that was to be used. The plane is not airworthy. There is no possibility of renting a Caravan in Europe in the middle of the season. The organiser has bought a Pilatus PC-6 and would like to use it for the Speed Skydiving Event. The LET410 will still be used for Wingsuit Flying.

DECISION

After consultation with the FAI Controller and both Committee Chairs the Bureau approves this change from the bid. The Pilatus PC-6 is to be used for Speed Skydiving and the LET410 to be used for Wingsuit Flying.

IBD 2023-04 (04-07-2023) - 1ST FAI ASIAN INDOOR SKYDIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

SUBJECT

The organiser of the upcoming World Cup and European Championships to be held in April 2024 in Macau has asked to include an Asian Championships at the same time.

DECISION

For the development of Indoor Skydiving and in recognition of the growing discipline in Asia, the Bureau agrees to holding the 1st FAI Asian Indoor Skydiving Championships in Macau, at the same time as the other events already approved.

IBD 2023-05 (10-10-2023) - CANCELLATION - WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS, BAR YEHUDA

SUBJECT

26Tth FAI World Formation Skydiving Championships

15th FAI World Artistic Events Skydiving Championships

5th FAI World Wingsuit Flying Championships

5th FAI World Speed Skydiving Championships

The above FAI World Championships are due to be held in Bar Yehuda, Israel from October 29th to November 6th 2024. Following the declaration of the state of war by Israel and in view of the impossibility for the organiser to continue preparations, the bureau questioned whether it was possible to maintain these events. Discussions were held with the Organiser and FAI Secretariat and concerns regarding FAIs obligation to ensure athlete safety were also raised.

DECISION

The ISC Bureau unanimously, and in agreement with the organiser, took the decision to cancel the event for 2024 and to seek (an) alternative host(s) for the four Championships. Delegates will be informed and given the opportunity to bid for one or all the events during a short time frame ending on November 15th.

IBD 2023-06 (10-10-2023) - REFUND OF SANCTION FEES

SUBJECT

Two Israeli entrants to the FAI European Championships and World Cup of Canopy Piloting and Canopy Piloting Freestyle have been obliged to withdraw as they have been called up by their country to serve in the Army. The Organiser has agreed to give a full refund and the ISC has been asked if is it possible to refund the Sanction Fee, usually withheld in the case of such late withdrawal.

DECISION

The Bureau unanimously decided to allow for a full refund of the Sanction Fee and the Organiser will be advised accordingly.

IBD 2023-07 (10-10-2023) - MACAU DATES AND PACKAGE

<u>SUBJECT</u>

1st Asian Indoor Skydiving Championships 3RD FAI European Indoor Skydiving Championships 5th FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving

The organiser has made several proposals to ISC regarding the organisation of this competition.

- 1) To avoid clashing with a local festival, the Organiser requested to slightly change the dates of the event to 16th 21st April 2024.
- 2) In order to give the best deal possible to all delegations and ensure that everyone is located close to the wind tunnel, the Organiser now proposes a complete package which will include accommodation for the 5 nights, lunch on competition days and the Gala Dinner on April 20th. it will also include a Tour of Macau on the morning of April 21st, a goody bag, discounted precompetition tunnel time and use of the hotel shuttle services (airport and ferry terminals). Single or shared room options will be available. Exceptional hotel rates will be available for the period prior to (6th-15th April) and just after (21st) the events. Full details will be annexed.

DECISION

The bureau unanimously decided:

- 1) to accept the change of dates
- 2) to accept the full package option as the only option, considering that this is the most economical solution for delegations and will facilitate the organisation due to the closeness of the hotel to the wind tunnel.

The first Bulletin for this competition will be issued as soon as possible

IBD 2023-08 (10-10-2023) - CHIEF JUDGES, MACAU

SUBJECT

1st Asian Indoor Skydiving Championships 3RD FAI European Indoor Skydiving Championships 5th FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving

CHIEF JUDGES: Due to the fact that these events take place in April 2024 and a visa is required for entry into Macau, Chief Judges need to be selected, and in a position to select their panel as soon as the 2024 Judges List is available and definitely prior to the upcoming 2024 ISC Plenary meeting in early February.

DECISION

The Bureau accepted the nomination of the Chief Judges for the 1st Asian Indoor Skydiving Championships, 3RD FAI European Indoor Skydiving Championships, and 5th FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving - as follows:

Formation Skydiving: Peta Holmes Artistic Events: Thi Bich Van Ha Dynamic Flying: Kristian Moxnes

IBD 2023-09 (30-11-2023) - 2024 FAI FS, AE, WS, SP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

SUBJECT

2024 FAI FS, AE, WS, SP World Championships

Following the decision, together with the Organiser, to cancel sanction to Israel to host the above competitions (IBD 2023/05), the ISC again solicited bids from interested Organisers giving a deadline of November 15th, 2023.

At that time, only one bid was received. This was submitted by the USPA for all four events to be hosted at the Crystal Coast Skydiving Drop Zone in North Carolina from October 4th to 12th, 2024 and to be jointly run by Skydive Chicago and Skydive Paraclete XP.

The bid was submitted to the four discipline Committees for feedback and approval. Various questions raised by them were answered by the USPA and all four Committees, although expressing their concern over the cost, all supported the bid.

The ISC bureau received the full budget from the organiser and explanation for all related costs. The explanations were shared with the Committees, the budget remains confidential.

DECISION

The ISC bureau, following the support of the four Committees concerned by these World Championships decided to accept the bid.

However, in doing so it acknowledges that the bid is expensive but that the costs are justified considering the site being used and need for additional infrastructure.

The bureau also took into consideration the following facts:

- There are less and less bids being submitted to ISC to host our events,
- Host are finding fewer and fewer opportunities for sponsorship and governmental subsidies and that, consequently, costs reflect a financial reality that we cannot ignore,
- As a world-wide organisation, even though a high percentage of our membership is in Europe, we need to be able to host events throughout the World and this has a significant impact on travel costs for both participants and ISC.