



FAI Awards for Ballooning 2023

Nomination Form

(one nomination per form)

Name of the Award:

- Montgolfier Diploma / best sporting performance in Gas Ballooning (By-Law 7.2.1.2.1)
- Montgolfier Diploma / best sporting performance in Hot Air Ballooning (By-Law 7.2.1.2.2)
- Montgolfier Diploma / best sporting performance in Roziere Ballooning (By-Law 7.2.1.2.3)
- Montgolfier Diploma / contribution to development of ballooning (By-Law 7.2.1.2.4)
- Santos-Dumont Gold Airship Medal (By-Law 7.2.2)

Submitted by:



NAC: Deutscher Aero Club e.V., Bundeskommission Ballon

Name: Wilhelm Eimers

Position: Vice president

Date: 11.01.2023

Signature and stamp:

Nomination for:

Name: Benjamin Eimers

Birthdate: 14.04.1985

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Reasons for nomination (maximum 250 words, English only):

Benjamin Eimers (36 years old) is nominated for the Montgolfier Diploma (Gas Ballooning), for his extraordinary performance at the Coupe Gordon Bennett Race 2022, in St. Gallen, Switzerland.
Father and son Wilhelm and Benjamin Eimers won the Gordon Bennett race 2022. They flew 1572 km in 60 hours 45 minutes. Surrounded by restricted areas, rain, clouds and temperatures of minus 10 degrees celsius at over 18.000 feet after three nights, the journey led shortly before the end 60 km over the Black Sea to land back to Bulgaria close to the coast. After Benjamin himself managed his father's control center for the toughest gas balloon race in the world for over 15 years, he was able to put together an excellent team, which played a large part in the success.
For the first time in the history of the Gordon Bennett race, a father and son duo took the title. Benjamin was able to win three podium places in five Gordon Bennett participations also holds several national records in hot air and gas ballooning.