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9th FISO Congress and World Obstacle General Assembly

18h30 CET, Saturday 16th September, 2023

Location of Meeting:

Thor Park Genk theatre, Belgium and Zoom

1) Call to Order by the President:

The regular meeting of the FISO Congress and World Obstacle General Assembly was called to order at 18h30 Central European Summer Time by the President Mr. Ian Adamson.

2) Welcome by:

Ms. Chloe Henry, Ninja Technical Committee Chair

3) Approval of the following:

a) Minutes of the 8th Congress

The minutes of the 8th Congress were approved by the assembly.

b) 2022 Annual Accounts

The 2022 Annual Accounts were presented by the treasurer, Mr. David Lim and unanimously approved.

c) 2023 Statutes and Internal Regulations

The President proceeded to clarify the 2023 Statutes and Internal Regulations remain active through the integration process with UIPM.

4) Reports from the Continental Confederation Presidents:

- Mr. Claude Eksteen, Africa
- Mr. Panna Utpaul, Americas
- Mr. Al Agra, Asia-Pacific
- Ms. Parihehi Singh, E. Asia, S. Asia, and Pacific
- Mr. Fahad Taqi, W. and Central Asia
- Mr. David Lim, SE. Asia
- Ms. Léa Frugier & Mr. Stefano Zappa, Europe

5) Confirmation of new member federations, officials, chairs, and committee members.

All were confirmed by the assembly.

6) Membership progress, Mr. Michel Cutait, Acting Secretary General

Mr. Cutait gave a summary of the national federation membership progress with the 102 countries established and in progress: Africa 11, Americas 21, Asia Pacific 30, Europe 41. Other countries in development.

7) Recognition Progress and Collaboration with UIPM, Mr. Ian Adamson

President Ian Adamson explained that GAISF has been dissolved, and that FISO remains a member of AIMS, the Alliance of Independent Recognized Members of Sports which is recognized by the IOC.

He further noted the integration agreement signed in August with UIPM and the establishment of an Ad Hoc workgroup, including American Confederation President Mr. Panna Utpaul and Asia-Pacific Confederation President Mr. Al Agra, to manage the integration over the coming years.

8) UIPM Obstacle Discipline, Mr. Ian Adamson

President Adamson explained the IOC Session will approve the obstacle discipline on the Olympic program in October.

9) 2023 world level events:

- Ninja: World Cups (WC) & World Championships (WCH)
- OCR: W. Series, WCs, WCH, 24hr WCH, Spartan WCH
- Adventure Racing, WCs, WCH

10) Other Matters

There were no other matters to be discussed.

11) End of official proceedings of the Congress

Mr. Ian Adamson thanked everyone for their presence, ratified all the deliberations and approvals of the items on the agenda, and declared the Congress session closed.

12) General discussion

Discussion regarding the 2024 OCR World Championships in Costa Rica with President Rodolfo Villalobos, FISO recognition, UIPM integration and ensued.

13) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 19h30. The 10th Congress, if required, will be scheduled on a date to be confirmed in due course, according to the statutory rules.

Minutes:

Submitted by the Deputy Secretary General, Mr. Michel Cutait.

Approved by the President Mr. Ian Adamson.

Transcribed in the presence of the Presidents of the Continental Confederations Mr. Panna Utpaul, Mr. Alberto Agra, Mr. Stefano Zappa and Mr. Claude Eksteen.



Ian Adamson

President



Michel Cutait

Deputy Secretary General



Panna Utpaul

President Americas



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