



Bureau Meeting February 5, 2025 online meeting

Present:

1. Pascal Tesch– President
2. Etienne Van Cann – Vice-President
3. Jacek Slupski – General Secretary
4. Nuala McGarrity - Treasurer

AGENDA

N	Agenda Item
1	Approval of the meeting minutes from Bureau meeting (2024-01-20)
2	Sabre course in Slovenia – new date
3	Comex and Congress – Genova
4	Agenda of the Comex meeting in Antalya (2025/02/21-22)
5	Check lists for inspection visit in Genova
6	Request for Data on Fencing Participation and Diversity in Europe
7	Request for Transcript – Solidarity Programme 2023
8	Urgent daily business

1. Approval of the meeting minutes from last Bureau meeting (2024-01-20)

The meeting minutes was approved unanimously. Jacek to publish on the website.

2. Sabre course in Slovenia – new date

Following the email sent to Bureau members on January 9, 2025 by Jacek Slupski there were problems to keep the date of the sabre course in scheduled time: 31.01-02.02.2025 because:

- SLO Federation confirmed accommodation on 07.01.2025
- Coach from HUN will be able to provide updated programme of the course after 14.01

The new date of the course agreed by the Coach and the Federation was set up between 3-6.04.2025.

Jacek Slupski to asked the HUN Coach to update the programme of the course and to ask SLO Federation to confirm organization arrangements such as: accommodation, board, transfers, unit prices.

Jacek Slupski to prepare application form to be send out to MF-s.

3. Comex and Congress – Genova

The Bureau members reviewed the offer received from the Hotel President and LOC of Genova. The hotel was booked to organise Comex meeting and Ordinary Congress on 12-13.06.2025 during inspection visit on April 2024. Jacek Slupski to send the offer to the assistant of the President to check the offer, conditions and prices

4. Agenda of the Comex meeting in Antalya (2025/02/21-22)

The Bureau members mentioned about main topics which must be included in the agenda for upcoming Comex meeting in Antalya.

Main topics:

1. Report from Commission' activities
2. Solidarity Programme on 2025
3. Report from inspection visits

Jacek Slupski to prepare completed draft agenda for the next Bureau meeting scheduled on February 12.

5. Check lists for inspection visit in Genova

Bureau members reviewed the check for inspection visit in Genova. Check list for the Championships was prepared by Julius Kralik and Jacek Slupski. Check list for the Congress in Genova was prepared by Jacek Slupski.

Jacek Slupski and Julius Kralik are to prepare the report from inspection visit to be presented during Comex meeting in Antalya.

6. Request for Data on Fencing Participation and Diversity in Europe

The Bureau members discussed the email received from Royal Belgian Fencing Federation concerning statistics on fencers and coaches in Europe.

Purpose of the Request:

The information collected will serve as a valuable input for our Erasmus project submission, which aims to analyse participation trends, promote gender equity, and develop strategies to encourage greater diversity and inclusion in fencing across Europe.

Fencing participating data:

Number of fencers across Europe, broken down by:

- Discipline (Weapon): Foil, Épée, Sabre
- Country
- Gender
- Age Group: Cadet, Juniors, Seniors, Veterans
- How many of fencers participate in EFC competitions per weapon, per country, per gender, and per age group.
- How many compete in other competitions (national or international) within the same parameters.

Coaches Data:

The number of coaches broken down by:

- Discipline (Weapon): Foil, Épée, Sabre
- Country
- Gender
- Age Group

Equality and Diversity:

- Gender representation in fencing (athletes and coaches).
- Initiatives or projects aimed at improving diversity and inclusion in the sport.
- Data on female dropouts in fencing and strategies to address this issue.

7. Request for Transcript – Solidarity Programme 2023

On 29.01.2025 the EFC received an email with a request from Fencing Coordinator in one of the fencing club in Türkiye, concerning one of the coaches from AZE who took part in the sabre course in Budapest in 2023. The TUR Federation has started the collaboration with the Coach from AZE and the Turkish Ministry of Sports has requested an official transcript detailing the course content, training hours, and assessments he completed of the Coach from AZE.

Pascal Tesch prepared the draft response to the email which was approved by Bureau members.

Jacek Slupski to send out the reply.

8. Urgent daily business

The Bureau members discussed email received from Nikolay Mateev and Vilem Madr concerning the meeting minutes from Comex meeting which was held in Munich in date 23-24.11.2024. Jacek Slupski to send out the meeting minutes to Comex members for approval.

Pascal Tesch presented the draft of the job announcement for the position of assistant DT. Bureau members accepted the draft which will be presented during Comex meeting in Antalya.

Jacek Slupski was asked to send to Comex members for validation:

- Turkish Safeguarding Officer
- Festival U14 2025

Meeting minutes drafted by Jacek Slupski.