

# Bureau Meeting March 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**

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# 1. European Cup of Club Champions – 2026 and 2027

Bureau members approved the text of the information letter and application forms prepared by Jacek Slupski. Jacek Slupski to circulate the invitation letter to MF-s.

# 2. Call for candidates of European Championships

The bureau decided to send invitation letters to MF-s for candidates to host:

- 2026: Junior and Cadets/U23
- 2027: Junior and Cadets/U23/Senior
- 2028: Junior and Cadets/U23/Senior

Jacek Slupski will prepare an application form for MF-s with information that:

- 2027 Istanbul, Türkiye Istanbul will host the European Games, and we aim to integrate the European Fencing Championship into this major event. This integration would provide enhanced visibility and support from the European Olympic Committee (EOC).
- ② 2028 Bourges, France Bourges will be the European Capital of Culture and has successfully proposed to incorporate the championship into this prestigious event.

As already stated in Antalya the bureau and the executive committee support both applications Istanbul/Bourges and would recommend to the congress to vote for them.

#### 3. Assistant to Technical Director

Following the decision of the Executive Committee, Pascal Tesch presented requirements and the description of the job announcement for position of the **Assistant to the Technical Director**.

Bureau members approved the text to be published.

#### 4. Material Aid - 2025

Based on the calculation form of the Material Aid from last 9 years (2015-2024), the President presented list of 25 countries to receive Material Aid in 2025:

AUT; BEL; BUL; CRO; CZE; DEN; ESP; EST; FRA; GEO; GER; GRE; HUN; IRL; ITA; LAT; LUX; MKD; NED; POL; ROU; SRB; SUI; SVK; TUR.

The selection is based on the organizational and general activities of the member federations and notably targeting those organizing FIE events.

The bureau members approved the proposal along with the justification.

Jacek Slupski is tasked to submit the proposal to the executive committee members for ratification. The list will be sent to the FIE therafter.

#### 5. Wuxi – consultation with MF-s

Following the request of the FIE, the President tasked Jacek Slupski to prepare the questionnaire in Forms and send out to MF-s urgently.

# 6. Channels in Teams

Following the decision of the Comex from Antalya to improve communication and upload all necessary documents in Teams the Bureau members discussed to update all channels in the proper order. Jacek Slupski to prepare the general topology.

Following the discussion in Antalya the bureau also calls to all the presidents of commission to:

- 1. make sure the commission members have an EFC-email (free of charge as paid by sponsoring)
- 2. upload the minutes of their meeting / list of decisions to their respective team.

While the new topology will be setup presidents are invited to send the minutes to the bureau members.

## 7. Erasmus Project

The president explained that both Erasmus+ projects have been submitted to the EU. It will take a couple of month until we will get the confirmation, in any case the E&D commission would continue preparing the Gold project for re-submission, should it not be accepted in 2025.

# 8. Refereeing award in Genova + 9. EFC Medal of Honor

Following the decision of the Comex from Antalya Jacek Slupski was tasked to prepare the visualisation of the award and EFC Medal of Honor. Nuala McGarrity proposed to ask previous designer Szymon Sikora from Polish Olympic Committee. Bureau members agreed on Nuala's proposal.

# 10. Zrenjanin – EFC U14 Cup

Jacek Slupski informed Bureau members that Zrenjanin is asking to host U14 Cups on 10-11.05.2025 in 4 weapons:

- Women's foil
- Men's foil
- Women's epee
- Men's epee

Jacek Slupski to inform MF-s.

The president insisted once more that in the future season ad-hoc additions should be excluded. He explained the absolute necessity to have a synchronised and coherent calendar throughout the season in order to allow proper preparation.

## 11. Urgent daily business

- The bureau accepted the proposal of a SEMI-Seminar in Istanbul ahead of the U14 festival. This would allow the preparation of the team for 2027 EG.
- The bureau accepted the request of the TUR Federation to keep the same number of participants as for Budapest. (8 per event, 16 for the host).
- The president will contact the EST federation to find a male SGO WITH required training.

Meeting minutes drafted by Jacek Slupski.