



MINUTES

of the meeting of the
EUROPE CONFEDERATION WATERSKI COUNCIL
held via Teams
on Monday 12th June 2023

1. Attendance and apologies for absence

Candido **Moz** *Chairman*
Dimos **Alexopoulos**
Hannu **Rintanen**
Ricardo **Botas**
Gavin **Kelly**
Aliaksandra **Berazouskaya**
Martin **Kolman** *Athlete Representative World Council*

Apologies for absence:

Amanda **Scherer** *Secretary*
Stian **Lilleberg** *Treasurer*
Morten **Froulund**
Howard **Ramsden** *Africa Confederation Representative*

The meeting commenced at 19:00 CET.

2. Wild Cards - 2023 IWWF E&A Youth Championships

The Council has received an email from Spain requesting “extra” wild cards for the upcoming 2023 IWWF E&A Youth Championships. Spains request, as the hosting national for this event, was based on the assumption that there were no Wild Cards available for this competition. The question obviously then arose about whether the Wild Card rule 14:14 had actually officially been accepted or rejected by the organisers and included in the LAO for this specific event. After some discussion, the Council realised that this rule had not been clearly accepted or rejected for this event. Taking into consideration that Wild Cards were included in the Bulletin for the 2023 Youth Championships, the Council decided that rule 14:14 must be accepted for this event. Therefore each Federation may enter 5 additional single event wild card skiers. Spains request for Wild Cards was, on hand from this decision, obviously granted.

3. Officials

In March of this year, the Council had discussed all activities of our Officials. Officials were upgraded or downgraded accordingly as a result of this discussion. There were some activities that still needed verification. All status changes have now been updated on EMS and published in the minutes from March 23rd and 24th.

The Council has received a request from the German Federation and Joachim Strack himself asking to reinstate his status to H1. Joachim Strack had been downgraded in March 2023 from H1 to H2 due to a lack of activity in 2022. The German Federation and Joachim Strack were able to confirm to the Council that Joachim had in fact homologated at an event in Germany in 2022 and would have also homologated at the German National Championships. Unfortunately, Joachim was not able to attend the German Nationals due to a Covid-19 infection. Based on this information, the Council agreed to grant the request and Joachim Strack will be reinstated to H1.

4. AOB

Candido informed the Council, even after more emails had been sent out requesting officials for the 2023 IWWF E&A U21 Championships, that the panel for this event is still not complete. The Council discussed the problem and officials were suggested or proposed who may be able to officiate at this event.

Aliaksandra then asked the Council to clarify exactly who should apply for exams. If the candidate is able to independently apply for an exam or if the application should be made by the candidates Federation. The Council agreed that the candidate can apply independently to take an exam but that their Federation must also send an email to Aliaksandra agreeing or confirming the candidates application.

All registration deadlines in 2023 for submitting competitions will be checked and late registration fines will be applied for any late submissions.

Gavin then informed the WSC of the current position of AdminCom regarding E&A or IWWF Ambassadors at Titled Events. The WSC believes the E&A should always be represented by an Ambassador at all Titled Events and through all divisions. AdminComs present position is to only send an Ambassador to represent the E&A or IWWF at a titled event at the request of that divisional Council for that particular event. The WSC does not agree with this position and is also of the opinion that only a member of AdminCom should be an ambassador for the E&A. A Council member should not represent the E&A at a titled event.

The queries regarding trick events and the rule about 3 people being in the boat was discussed again. This will be discussed in more detail and decisions will be made during the upcoming November Council meetings in Budapest.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20:00 CET.

Secretary
Amanda Scherer

Chairman
Candido Moz

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The Minutes are subject to approval at the next Meeting.

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