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of the IAU Executive Committee (EC) meeting

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The Venue: Hotel "Sport", Estanska cesta 4, Ivanić Grad

Time: 19:00 - 23:45

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(*Speaker and material Pero Stojnic*)

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(*Speaker and material Valeriy Ashikhmin*)

- d) Cooperation with WCSA as they've got some changes in their Executive board and a new President.
(*Speaker and material Violetta Samotaeva*)
- e) Awarding certificates to IAU Ambassadors

Participants:

Quorum: 5 members of the IAU Executive Committee:

- Pero Stojnic - the IAU President (HRV);
- Valeriy Ashikhmin – the IAU Secretary General (RUS);
- Andreas Henne – the IAU Chairman of the TC Field (SUI);
- Josef Beckman – the IAU Finance Chief (DEU);
- Christian Hunzinger – the IAU Chairman of the TC-Match (FRA);
- Harald Lugmayr – the IAU Vice President - Europe (AUT) was justifiably absent.
- Alexander Varennia - the IAU Vice President - Asia (RUS) was justifiably absent.

Other people invited:

- Ranko Cetkovic - Special Adviser for marketing of the IAU President;
- Vladimir Bessonov – Special Adviser of the IAU President
- Maiia Likova – IAU PR manager;
- Mikishanov Iliia – IAU IT manager;
- Violetta Samotaeva – an assistant of the IAU Secretary General;
- Elena Bogdanova – an assistant of the IAU Secretary General;
- Svetlana Salnikova – a Russian chief coach in “Field” division.
- Nediljko Vucetic – President of the Shooting Club “Dub” Malinska (CRO) was justifiably absent.

The IAU President Pero Stojnic welcomed all the IAU EC members and guests.

Ad 1: Adoption of the agenda

Speaker: the IAU President Pero Stojnic

The proposal was approved unanimously.

Ad 2: Adoption of the decisions taken at the IAU EC meeting, Ulyanovsk, August 16, 2019

Speaker: the IAU President Pero Stojnic

The IAU President Pero Stojnic announced the list of issues to discuss that were unsettled from the previous IAU EC meeting on August 16 in Ulyanovsk, Moscow.

Item 4 of the minutes: IAU Secretariat Report - business structure, already done and problems: IAU online-shop, IAU website and online registration for competitions.

(Speakers: Valeriy Ashikhmin, Iliia Mikishanov)

Iliia Mikishanov informed all the participants of the meeting that the organization of an IAU online store requires a legal registration of a separate organization, as the IAU does not have the right to conduct commercial activities. In case it is an online store, it does not imply the presence of a large area of space, and a large number of employees. Thus, one person and 20 sq. m premises for storage of these products will be enough.

Unfortunately, there occur logistical problems due to the fact that the souvenirs are produced in China, stored in Russia and delivered to Europe, which significantly affects the final cost of products. Therefore, there was a decision taken to locate the IAU warehouse in one of the EU countries as well as to look for a producer of these goods there.

Besides, beginning from the year of 2022 all the organizers of IAU events will be obliged to buy IAU souvenirs (of any kind they like) for the sum of 1000 EUR and then sell them at the competitions or give a part of them as presents to the participants and visitors of the event.

The IAU office at the same time is ready to take over the creation of a website of the IAU online store, provide all the models of existing products and develop a unique series of promotional products for each IAU competition.

Concerning the IAU website and online registration for competitions, it was mentioned that a special software for results calculation at "Field" competitions was created and then tested at the World Championship in Ulyanovsk. A link was posted on the IAU website where everyone could follow the progress of the competition in real time. The scoring at the competition took place with the help of tablets and then a score was shown on the screen. It's also possible to generate lists of final competition results using this program.

Thus, there was taken a decision to make the process of registration for IAU competitions online starting from the 1st of January 2020. All the entry forms for participation in IAU events must be submitted through the website. In order to generate an entry form, each country must have an administrator responsible for the data required for filling in the forms.

Item 6 of the minutes: Reports of the Chairman of the IAU Technical Committee Match
Speaker: Christian Hunzinger

Mixed team competitions in "Match" division were first tested at the IAU WC event in Innsbruck in June 2019. Being successful and approved both by athletes and IAU judges, they were also included in the program of the WCH in Ulyanovsk. Thus, it was suggested to include Mixed team competitions in the IAU Match competition program for the year of 2020 and IAU rules. The decision is to be taken at the next IAU EC Meeting in Dubrava in December 2019.

Decision: *to add mixed team 10 m competitions to IAU rules 2020 and the competition program of the year. (A detailed description of a shooting programme is available in IAU Match rules).*

Item 7 of the minutes: IAU Financial Report, Current state, Annual membership fee payments

Speaker: Josef Beckmann

Decision: *The IAU Office should check whether all the IAU member Federations are legal organizations with several athletes regularly participating in crossbow competitions. Thus, the Office should request from the IAU Members to provide constituent documents and the list of the current members of their national federations. The report on this should be prepared for the next IAU EC meeting.*

Item 8 of the minutes: Approval of the calendar plan of the IAU crossbow shooting competitions for 2020

Speaker: Harald Lugmayr

The corresponding IAU agreements with the organizers of the events are to be prepared, signed by the organizers and sent to the IAU Office within 2 months.

Decision: *The IAU Office informed all the participants of the meeting that for the moment they've received the signed contracts from the organizers of the WC in Otrokovice, Innsbruck and Veliko Trgovisce. The contract for the ECH in Osijek hasn't been sent yet, the IAU Secretariat was assured that the document should arrive soon.*

Item 10.1 of the minutes.: Selection of a new member for the position of IAU Auditor (instead of Mr Gerold Pfister (SUI) who resigned there).

Speaker: Pero Stojnic

The IAU President Pero Stojnic informed all the IAU EC members and guests present at the EC meeting about the resignation of the former IAU Auditor Mr Gerold Pfister (SUI).

Decision: To select a new person from Switzerland for the post of the IAU Auditor at the next IAU EC Meeting in Dubrava.

The IAU Office informed everyone that The Swiss Federation suggested a former athlete Renato Harlacher for the post of an IAU Auditor, being currently a Controller / Assistant Head of F+C at Axians Schweiz AG.

There were also enclosed his contact details (in IAU Office).

The IAU EC members approved of the suggestion and according to the art. 16 of the IAU Statute it was decided to conduct IAU GA electronic voting in order to make a final decision. Thus, all the IAU member Federations will be given a due notice by the IAU Secretary General to inform the IAU office whether they agree about choosing Renato Harlacher (SUI) for this post or not within 30 days from the day of the receipt of the email. The results of the elections are to be declared in writing within 30 days from the closing date of the ballot.

Item 10.3 of the minutes.: Adoption of a new contract with Kruger for the year of 2020

Speaker: Pero Stojnic

Decision: All IAU EC members should submit their comments to the IAU Office on the contract proposal within 30 days.

Decision: *the new contract with Kruger for 2020 was adopted by the vote of the IAU EC members. The IAU Office must send a signed contract to Kruger company by the end of 2019.*

Item 10.4 of the minutes.: The solution of the issue with the 2nd place medal awarded to Valentina Pereglin at the WCH in Ulyanovsk.

Speaker: Pero Stojnic

Decision: Members of the IAU EC accepted the returned medal for 2nd place in the discipline Field, Absolute women 50m distance as an act of justice governing the IAU rules. It was also stated that Valentina Pereglin deserves an IAU Fair Play award.

The IAU Fair Play Plaque will be awarded to Valentina at the banquet after the WCF in Dubrava, Croatia.

Ad 3. Reports of the Chairman of IAU Technical Committee Field

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Speaker: Andreas Henne

Decision: The following changes to the IAU Field rules were adopted:

- To increase the number of medals in Field division: to introduce additional medals for the best result in the sum of 3 distances (65, 50 and 35 m) IR 900 on the 1st competition day - individual by category and teams. This competition will be called Classic (for example the World Championship Field Classic).
- On the 2nd competition day there will be Elimination 50 m. This competition will be named Match Play (for example, the World Championship Field Match Play).
- To introduce Mixed teams in "Field" division, consisting of athletes of different categories (for example, a cadet, a woman and a senior), in order to enable countries that do not have enough shooters to make full teams of cadets, women or seniors to participate in IAU competitions. This competition will be named Match Play Teams (for example, the World Championship Field Match Play Teams).

It was also stated that IAU courses for judges and coaches will be held next year. The lecturer of a course for judges will be Pavol Kaszonyi. This course will be held in Otrokovice during the WC Field.

The lecturer of a course for coaches – level 2 will be Branko Pereglin. This course will be held in Veliko Trgovisce during the WC Field.

By March 2020, Pavel Kaszonyi and Branko Pereglin should draft a Program for these courses. Members of the IAU EC will adopt these programs by electronic vote.

The information about a lecturer for the course for coaches and the dates and times of the events should be provided to the IAU Office later.

IAU TC Field's proposal was accepted that in the future WCFs could be held outdoors at 35m and indoor at 18m. It depends on the Federation's nomination, the annual calendar and the decision of the IAU EC.

The new [IAU Field Regulations](#) and the [text of Agreement](#) with the organisers IAU competitions were unanimously adopted. Application from 1.1.2020. Available on the IAU website.

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Ad 4. Reports of the Chairman of IAU Technical Committee Match

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Speaker: Christian Hunzinger

Decision: The following basic changes in the IAU Match Rules were adopted at the EC meeting in Dubrava:

- A number of medals awarded was not reduced from 3 (for standing, kneeling and combination) to 1 (combination only), like it is in ISSF.
- The number of teams in each category allowed to participate in Match 10 m and 30 m competitions per nation is 2, a minimum number of teams per class is 3.
- Each athlete (also guest) must have an IAU ID number. This ID number is to buy (from federations) by the IAU office in time before the competition.

- The awards ceremonies shall be held in consultation with the IAU President or his delegate and shall take place in a festive setting on the day of the competition if possible. It can be dispensed with playing national anthems and raising national flags except at WCH, CC and WC and WCF.
- All associations and guests invited by the IAU-TC must be able to participate in WCH, CC, WC, WCF and CCE.
- Each athlete (also guest) must have an IAU ID number. This ID number is to buy (from federations) by the IAU office in time before the competition.
- The entry fee per athlete and competition is 120,00 € for “WCH”, “CC” and “WC” (or the equivalent in another currency). The entry fee must be paid on the IAU. The entry fee for Mixed Team on WCH and CC is 120,00€ per Team.
- In all-events, non-verbal coaching is allowed.
- Mixed team competitions 10 m:
30 shots "Standing - Time 60 minutes
Team = one (1) Women + one (1) Men
- WCs, CCs, WCEs and CCEs, WCF and country competitions may only be held at a shooting range accepted by the IAU the acceptance is given by the IAU-TC.
- Conduct of the competitions at WCs, CCs, WCEs and CCEs is supervised by the IAU-TC. During the Preparation Time and Sighting Time for all competitions, announcements and/or visuals displays may be used to inform spectators about the event. During Preparation and Sighting and Match firing Times for Elimination and Qualification competitions, music may be played.
- A team, of which a member has been disqualified, must not be ranked and must be shown in the result list with the remark "DSQ".
- All protests must be handling and made the final decision by the Jury. The Jury consist of tree (3) persons, who don't have other duties during the final.
- The top 8 scoring athletes of the qualification round participate in the single final, and by Mixed Team final the best five (5) teams. If more than eight athletes have reached the maximum result and this score equality cannot be decided, this score equality must be broken before the final as follows:
 - a) All affected athletes will be assigned a shooting firing point
 - b) Sighting time 3 minutes, unlimited shots.
 - c) Shooting time for each soot-off 50 seconds on command until the tie is broken.
 - d) The athlete or Team who have the highest result is reaching the highest ranking.
 - e) In Mixed Team only one athlete disputes the soot-off.

As for IAU training courses, it was decided to organize a training course in Osijek one month before the European Championship. Judging by the experience gained in Ulyanovsk, one day for conducting a course is enough and it may be combined with the visit of the TD match and field like it was in Ulyanovsk. The course is supposed to be held at the shooting range “Pampa” (Osijek). The detailed information about the course and the name of the lecturer is to be provided to the IAU Office later and published on the official website.

The new IAU Match Regulations ([eng](#) and [de](#)) were unanimously adopted. Application from 1.1.2020. Available on the IAU website.

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Ad 5. IAU Financial Report

- Current state, annual membership fee payments, problems with paying entry fees...

- Plan for 2020 (Permanent Expected Costs and Marketing Revenue Plan)

Speaker: Josef Beckmann

Decision: The IAU Finance Chief presented a financial report to the participants of the meeting. According to the data provided, there are 4 countries (Great Britain, Japan, Mongolia and Italy) that haven't paid their membership fees for the last two years. The IAU Office must send them a warning letter, saying that in case they do not wish being IAU members any longer and are not determined to pay the membership fees required in the term of 30 days, this National Federation is to be excluded from IAU. If there is no reply and payment received from these Federations during this period, they will be sent a notification letter about their exclusion from IAU.

Besides, beginning from 2020 entry fees for participation in IAU competitions may be also paid on spot, at a competition venue, on the day of participants' arrival. This can only happen at the express request of the IAU member.

Ad 6. Report about IAU Development and Marketing Program

Speakers: Vladimir Bessonov, and Ranko Cetkovic

6.1. Ranko Cetkovic outlined the main problems we face implementing IAU marketing:

- ✓ There are few national federations – IAU members. In marketing, strength is in abundance. Few IAU members does not initiate any interest in potential sponsors. Thus, we must urgently increase the number of national federations in IAU membership.
- ✓ It is necessary to go beyond Europe. Sponsors want to see different continents within the IAU.
- ✓ Crossbow as a sport does not follow any kind of industries (except target manufacturers).
- ✓ Crossbows as a sport are not in the media at all. Without media and publicity, there is no marketing. It's alphabet marketing. We need to find a way to be present in the media more frequently as a sport.
- ✓ Through media presence IAU will also get RECOGNITION.
- ✓ In order to get RECOGNITION, a crossbow should occasionally exit a competitive process and enter the EXHIBITION in public.

Without addressing the issues listed above, there is no marketing in the IAU.

6.2. Then an adviser of the IAU President, [Vladimir Bessonov in his report](#) noted that in Lithuania they got an interesting and valuable experience on making amendments to the legislation related to facilitation of handling a crossbow. There were a number of amendments introduced in the legislation and thus the obstacles to crossbow shooting development were destroyed. It is not considered to be a weapon anymore!

At the moment the work is in process on the issue of making amendments to the legislation of Bulgaria as it's obligatory to have 17 sports club in order to set up a new national federation, which is quite problematic now.

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Vladimir Bessonov also mentioned that after participation in the World Crossbow Championship in Ulyanovsk a number of countries have already started cooperation with us on the issue of creating new national federations. Unfortunately, not all the

guests of IAU competitions are so active and we need to pay our attention to cooperation with Africa, Southern America, Poland, Romania and some others.

The methods of work on IAU development show their efficiency. In Ulyanovsk it was the first time when sponsors showed initiative in cooperation with IAU. Referring to the sponsorship activity as a means of product promotion at the market and capitalization, companies can set different goals the most obvious of which are the following:

- Positioning of a company brand with a brand of winners (Mercedes – in the top 10!)
- Creation of traditions of the winners,
- Discovering new business opportunities,
- Developing the spirit of enthusiasm and corporate unity in the company.

This job requires being confident in the chosen direction of activity, being able to conduct negotiations with the most serious and world-famous companies such as Mercedes, in search of mutual interests.

Moreover, we have to work with new IAU member federations, organize workshops for athletes, coaches and judges. We should consider their applications on providing them with necessary equipment and support informal relations in different fields, even the ones not connected with sport. I managed to learn about the opportunities of Latvia and Lithuania for organizing IAU World Cup and European Championship competitions. In order to take a final decision about this IAU EC members should visit these countries. Valeriy Ashikhmin noted several times comfortable location of these countries.

Decision: To plan a trip to Latvia and Lithuania in order to investigate the venues and consider a possibility of organizing IAU competitions there.

To continue working on cooperation with the archery federation, inviting archers to Field crossbow competitions in order to involve them in crossbow shooting and establish new IAU member federations. Visiting archery competitions with IAU athlete ambassadors in order to promote crossbow shooting worldwide.

Ad 7. Experiences and activities of introducing the category of GUESTS competitors.
Giving crossbows as presents from IAU to new IAU member federations for the development of this sport in their countries.

Speaker: Valeriy Ashikhmin

Decision: Valeriy Ashikhmin noted that a special competition for guests – beginners in crossbow shooting, was organized for the first time at the 20th World Crossbow Championship in Ulyanovsk, Russia and turned out to be very successful as the archers from Turkmenistan, Belarus and Bulgaria that participated in field events there, got excited with crossbow shooting and decided to continue doing this sport on their return home and moreover, to establish National crossbow Federations in their countries.

Thus, Vepa Sahedov, an archer from Turkmenistan, got a permission and approval from the Ministry of sports and Youth of Turkmenistan to found an Archery and Crossbow Federation in this country and in the year of 2020 one more Member Federation will join an international IAU family.

Conversely, the legislation system in Bulgaria is very strict and requires the existence of 17 shooting clubs in the country for establishment of a crossbow Federation. So, the creation of a federation here is still problematic.

Nevertheless, the experience of guests competitions, organized in Ulyanovsk, showed that crossbow shooting and archery are related sports having a lot in common. It's also a good idea to hold "Carousel" competition in order to give archers an opportunity to demonstrate their high archery skills and make a spectacular show for the audience.

In conclusion, Valeriy Ashikhmin noted that some new IAU members that have recently started crossbow shooting need IAU support on the issues of making amendments to the legislation, the rules of organization and conduct of PR campaigns in their countries in order to attract sponsors and receiving financial support as well as organization of IAU training system for coaches and judges. Moreover, a great solution would be to provide new IAU member federations with crossbows as presents in order to stimulate the development of this sport there as each national federation is responsible for organizing a number of national tournaments annually, which is impossible without having at least several crossbows.

Ad 8. World ranking rules for 2020 and the WCF rules

Speaker: Valeriy Ashikhmin

Decisions:

- The IAU ranking includes the period of one calendar year and starts from zero at the beginning of the next year.
- IAU World Cup Final Field (held at the end of September or later for Indoor 18m.
- Program: Qualification - Outdoor IR300 or Indoor 18m, 35m; Elimination – Outdoor 35m or Indoor 18m, Final - Outdoor 35m or Indoor 18m.
- The first athlete to reach five (5) points will qualify for the next round. If there is a tie (5:5), the athlete with the highest qualification score will be the winner.
- Special regulations for medals match: The first athlete to reach five (5) points is the winner. If there is a tie (5:5), the winner will be determined in a shoot-off. The shoot-off consists of one shot. The shot that is the nearest to the center is the winner.
- The scoring system has been extended to the top 25 athletes to have fewer athletes with zero points. This facilitates the nomination to the WCF.

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Decisions: Unanimously adopted Regulation: [IAU World Cup And Rank Rules](#), edition 2020-01.01. This document forms an integral part of these minutes.

The presidents of IAU TC for Field and Match, should adequately incorporate these rules into IAU Field and IAU Match rules. The deadline for this is 01 January 2020.

Ad 9. [GAISF issues - Associate membership in GAISF \(SportAccord\)](#)

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Speaker: Elena Bogdanova

Decision: The IAU EC members and the other people invited were presented a report on the two types of GAISF membership: full and associate (A full report is available in the application). According to SportAccord (GAISF) Statute, an associate member may be any sport organization which groups together the activities of several members

generally for the purpose of organizing competitions or any international organization contributing to sport in various fields. It is not obligatory to have 40 member federations for summer sports and 25 – for winter sports in this case. Thus, the IAU has every chance of joining GAISF as an associate member even now.

The membership application fee is a “paid once non-refundable fee” which corresponds to 3,000 CHF.

The decisions about new GAISF members are taken at annual General Assemblies. The next GAISF (Sport Accord) General Assembly is to take place from the 19-24 April 2020 in Beijing, China. As all the applications must be provided no later than 6 months before the GA, the IAU can apply for associate membership in GAISF (SportAccord) only for 2021.

Therefore, all the participants of the IAU EC meeting voted for joining GAISF as associate member in 2021.

Ad 10. Anti-doping issues and rules

Doping exemptions for therapeutic use ([a letter from Harald](#))

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Speakers: Christian Hunzinger, Pero Stojnic

Decision: Based on the report provided by the IAU Vice President Harald Lugmayr about uniform IAU anti-doping regulations, the EC IAU members present made the following decision: No official anti-doping sample will be taken in the Senior (M + W) categories at official IAU competitions in the future.

Ad 11. Competitions 2019-2020

a) Report about the WCH Ulyanovsk.

Speaker: Valeriy Ashikhmin

11.a.1. The IAU Secretary General, Valeriy Ashikhmin presented a report on the World Championship that took place on August 12-19 in Ulyanovsk, Russia. It was stated that the 20th World Championship set a record concerning the number of participants as about 400 athletes from more than 25 countries came to Russia to take part in the competitions. The tournament turned out to be a real holiday of sports and international friendship.

Apart from the fact that the IAU Championship in Ulyanovsk became an incentive for the development of crossbow shooting in Turkmenistan, Bulgaria and Belarus, it contributed to a rising tide of interest in crossbow shooting among the former IAU member federations, such as Kazakhstan and Israel that didn't participate in IAU competitions for a long time.

Besides, Valeriy Ashikhmin noted an important role of cooperation with mass media during the WCH in Ulyanovsk at regional and international levels. Thus, all IAU member federations were provided with a link to FTP server with all the competition highlights. There were also several articles published about the 20th World Crossbow Championship and a special website of the championship was created where everyone could learn the latest news about the event, the 4 competition program, see the highlights and some other interesting information.

Lots of star guests visited the championship in Ulyanovsk:

Vladimir Krylov (an athlete, an Olympic champion), Aleksey Trifonov (a multiple world and European champion in kickboxing), Lubov Galkina (an Olympic champion in rifle shooting), Evgeniy Lovchev (a legendary Soviet footballer), Dmitriy Nosov (a legendary judoist), Lubov Tkach (a European champion in track-and field all-round, a fitness model and a popular blogger).

11.a.2. Mass media as a powerful incentive for IAU popularization and future development.

Speaker: Maiia Lykova

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The IAU PR-manager Maiia Lykova presented a report on the [IAU media strategy](#) for competitions – a detailed outline of the main things to consider when organizing an event. (A full report is available in the application)

The IAU EC members approved of the ideas mentioned and considered them useful.

b) Reports about the World Cup series 2019

Speaker: Pero Stojnic

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The IAU President Pero Stojnic made a [presentation](#) on static indicators of the number of competitors and participating nations. 1st IAU World Cup 2019 was held in Innsbruck (AUT) from 20 to 23 of June. 65 athletes from 8 IAU member countries performed there. This IAU World Cup Match was held for the first time. Athletes competed in two IAU World Cup Match in two days.

The 2nd IAU World Cup 2019 was held in Veliko Trgovisce (CRO) from 28 to 30 of June. 47 athletes from 6 IAU member countries performed there. The number of athletes increased by 16% compared to the previous year. The number of countries increased from 4 to 6.

The 3rd IAU World Cup 2019 was held in Otrokovice (CZE) from 19 to 21 of July. 66 athletes from 6 IAU member countries performed. The number of athletes increased by 40% compared to the previous year. The number of participating countries is the same as in the previous year - 6.

In 2019, a total of 4 IAU World Cups were held (2 in Field and 2 in Match disciplines). 240 athletes from 28 IAU member countries performed. The number of athletes increased by 186% compared to the previous year. The number of countries increased from 10 to 28. The reason for the big increase is the fact that in 2018 there were no 2 IAU World Cups in Match disciplines.

In conclusion, Pero Stojnic stated that we can be pleased with the trend of increasing numbers of athletes and nations. Members of the EC IAU and IAU Offices must work harder to popularize the 2020 World Cup Series. Certainly, disagreements with the federations of France and Germany should be resolved; we need their presence.

c) Information about WCF Dubrava

Speaker: Pero Stojnic

The IAU President Pero Stojnic informed in detail all the participants of the IAU EC meeting about the competition program of the World Cup Final in Dubrava, the opening ceremony, the broadcasting and the transfer times for the athletes.

d) Presentation of the IAU Competition Organizers in 2020

d.1. President Pero Stojnic presented the possibility of holding a WCF Field in Malinska (CRO) in mid-September 2020. The competition would be held at the pier between the boats and the sea. The potential organizer Shooting Club “Dub” Malinska will soon send to the IAU his offer and program of organization of this competition.

d.2. IAU TC Match has proposed the adoption of the next WCF Match in Munich (GER) on 27-29.11.2020. Members of the EC IAU unanimously adopted this proposal.

Ad 12. Other undefined issues

- a) Production of crystal globes and medals (new cheaper suppliers)

Speaker: Valeriy Ashikhmin

The IAU Secretary General, Valeriy Ashikhmin informed all the participants of the IAU EC meeting about the current producer and costs of production and delivery of crystal globes: "Gusevskoy Crystal": small crystal globes – 558 EUR, big crystal globes – 629 EUR, including engraving. + 113 EUR – a delivery to the IAU office in Moscow. (Gus Khrustal'nyy, Vladimir region, Russia). Due to the fact that the price is rather high, the IAU office has managed to find a cheaper option - "Miyue Crafts" (China): a price of a sample of a big crystal globe – 500 \$, of a small one – 400 \$. An order of 4 big globes or more - 250 \$ each, small ones – 200 \$ (including engraving and delivery to the IAU office in Moscow). The delivery is 7-10 days.

Decision: The IAU EC members made a decision to consult Pavol Kaszoniy about crystal globe producers in the Czech Republic and try to look for some producers in Hungary as the price and delivery here might be cheaper. As soon as all these options are considered the IAU EC members will be able to choose the best company to place an order for crystal globes. The decision may be taken by electronic vote.

- b) A meeting with producers of Field and Match crossbows in Osijek 2020.
- Advertising main crossbow producers on IAU website.

Speaker: Pero Stojnic

Decision: The suggestion of the IAU President Pero Stojnic about organizing a meeting with producers of Field and Match crossbows in Osijek 2020 in order to attract them to sponsorship was approved unanimously by all the IAU EC members. It was also stated that IAU office must provide a list of emails of field and match producers to invite to Osijek by the end of January 2020. Tom Hafen will help the IAU office about this.

- c) Introducing "Carousel" competition and a special competition for beginners in crossbow shooting (guests) to IAU events (both in Field and Match divisions)

Speaker: Valeriy Ashikhmin

Decision: The proposal to introduce "Carousel" competition in IAU Field events of the next year was approved unanimously.

Pavel Kaszoniy will prepare a proposal for the IAU Field Carousel Rules by the end of March 2020. The first test competition under these rules will be held in Otrokovice during the WC, July 2020.

- d) Cooperation with WCSA as they've got some changes in their Executive board and a new President.

Speaker: Violetta Samotaeva

Decision: Violetta Samotaeva, an assistant of the IAU Secretary General Valeriy Ashikhmin, informed all the participants of the IAU EC meeting about the recent changes in the Executive board of WCSA and their new President. There was a decision taken that IAU Office should prepare a letter of intent signed by the IAU President and Secretary General in order to establish communication process and improve relationships between the organizations.

- e) Awarding certificates to IAU Ambassadors

Speaker: Pero Stojnic

Decision: The proposal to award special certificates to IAU athlete ambassadors - Lolita Kochetova (RUS), Valentina Pereglin (CRO), Domagoj Pereglin (CRO), Andrej Krstinić (CRO) and IAU ambassadors - Josip Glasnovic (CRO) and Vepa Sahedov (TKM) was approved unanimously.

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