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Presence



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Place: HOTEL BÖHLERSTERN

Friedrich-Böhler-Straße 13, 8605 Kapfenberg (AUT)

The IFI Congress on Monday, 03 March 2025, will be scheduled as follows:

10.00 a.m.	Start of the congress
Noon	Lunch break, continuation of the congress
3.00 p.m.	Expected end of the congress



1. Opening by the President or his Deputy

At 10:10 a.m., President Lindner opens the congress and welcomes all those present.

The congress participants will rise for a minute of silence for the deceased Emil Reumer and Udo Reichenecker, both of whom have rendered outstanding services to the IFI with their many years of tireless commitment.

President Lindner apologizes to Sonja Mulser and Irina Tshishuk for not being able to attend the congress and sends greetings from both to the congress. He announces that Florian Hausberger will join the congress later as a guest and present the new website under the agenda item Miscellaneous.

— The two representatives of Styria, Wolfgang Schwinger and Harald Wade, followed with a short welcome speech.

President Lindner thanks for the good organization and confirms that the event has been very successful so far.

2. Determination of the Ordinary Convocation of the Congress

— In the context of the determination of the ordinary convocation of the Congress, it is established that the Extraordinary Congress was convened in due time. No objections are raised in this regard.

3. Determination of the Voting Representatives and Powers of Representation

In the context of the determination of the representatives and powers of attorney entitled to vote, it is determined that a total of 19 nations with voting rights are represented.

The following nations are present: Australia, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Finland, France, Germany, Guatemala, India, Islamic Republic of Iran, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Paraguay, Slovenia, Switzerland, Czech Republic.

Denmark has submitted a power of attorney. The latter transfers the rights of representation in this Congress to the President of the Finnish Association.

The IFI Presidium is represented by Volker Bernardi, Dr. Viktor Garcia, Dr. Andreas Mohr, Johann Mulser, Georg Smounig, Andrea Spiess, as well as the Secretary General Silke Bernardi and Testing Center Manager Christian Teubl. The representatives of the LV Styria, as well as Christian Wassmer (interpreter) and Florian Hausberger from the TOP Miscellaneous are present as guests.

President Lindner asks for the consent of the congress to be allowed to record the entire event for the record. Recording. There are no objections to this.



4. Admission of new member associations: Monaco

The application for membership of the Fédération Monegasque de Sports Urbain's (Monaco Urban Sports Federation), as well as the other necessary documents, were made available to the Congress with the congress documents. The Monaco Federation is unanimously admitted to the IFI as a new member association, with no votes against and no abstentions.

5. Confirmation of the minutes of the last congress

The minutes of the 66th Congress, which took place digitally for the first time on 15.07.2024 in Bruneck, Italy, were brought to your attention. The minutes are available to all those present, and there were no requests to speak on it. It was adopted unanimously.

6. Activity Reports

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The auditors Dirk Meier (GER) and Jörn Voglauer (AUT) present their report on the cash audit for 2022, 2023 and 2024. In doing so, they highlight two points in which they see potential for savings in the future: On the one hand, so-called "missed tests" in doping controls should be consistently charged to the athletes concerned in the future. On the other hand, it is suggested that the prize money of the Champions League summer should be reconsidered and, if necessary, discontinued. The auditors request the discharge of the Vice-President Finance and the entire Presidium. Both motions are adopted unanimously.

- k) the representative of the members

The reports are available.

The following is a report by Christian Teubl. He participates in all discussions of the Technical Commission and is in contact with the athletes and contractors. The controls on sports equipment must be tightened again and again.



Lunch break at 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

7. Discussion of the reports

The importance of youth work is emphasized again. In this context, an exchange is taking place about the possibility of moving the youth championships to January in the future. The aim is to make it easier for young people from outside European continents to get there, as this period can be better reconciled with the school holidays.

There is agreement on the importance of meeting deadlines and announcing all essential information as early as possible. The importance of translations of the documents into English as comprehensively as possible for the English-speaking nations is also emphasized.

President Lindner thanks for the submission of their reports and the good cooperation also within the Presidium. Lindner expressly thanks all his presidium colleagues.

8. Amendments

President Lindner explains that amendments to the statutes may actually only be made in the ordinary congress. He proposes that from 2027 ordinary congresses may be held in odd years.

The amendment of Article § 11.3 ".. from 2025 in odd years" is adopted unanimously. There are no further comments on this.

9. Changes to the legal bases, the International Icestock Rules, the International Rules of the Game and the Regulations for the Implementation of Competitions conducted by the IFI, and possibly other competition regulations

The following changes are once again expressly emphasized:

- The target competition will now be carried out in head to head mode.
- The green outsole in men's team play is not permitted in IFI competitions.
- The purple outsole is not allowed in the IFI women's competitions in the Summer Champions League (only IFI competition women).

The implementing rules are confirmed as set out. There are no dissenting votes or further comments.



10. Formation of an election committee

Since there are no elections, this agenda item is omitted.

11. Discharge of the Presidium

The discharge of the Presidium has already been granted under the agenda item Report of the Auditors.

12. By-elections, if necessary

Since there are no by-elections, this agenda item is omitted.

13. Budget estimates for the years 2025 and 2026

The budget estimates for the years 2025 and 2026 are adopted unanimously in their present form.

14. Resolution on proposals of the Executive Board, the members and the commissions

The DESV withdraws its submitted motions for the reform of the mode of holding the two European Cups for club teams and for the reform of the mode of holding the target competition at European and World Championships and will first submit these two motions to the Technical Commission for consideration.

15. Awarding of the IFI competitions

The present application of the Namibian association to host the Africa Cup of Nations, from 28.-30.08.2026 in Namibia, is unanimously accepted.

President Lindner reports on the other open competitions:

- World Cup 2029 - there is the possibility of hosting it in Bruneck / Italy. More Discussions on this are necessary.
- Euro 2027 - President Lindner asks the Swiss Association to consider hosting this European Championship.
- European Championship 2026 in youth - this competition has not yet been awarded. The order to the Technical Commission is that the European Championship should only last 3 days.



- World Championships Long Shooting 2026 - beginning of March in Inzell
- Kühbach 2025 (European Championship U16, formerly EJGP) - set for August 8-10, 2025

16. Miscellaneous

Florian Hausberger presents the new IFI website, which he created together with Alexandra Brandtner.

Christian Lindner thanks both of them for the successful completion of this project. The website has been live for a week and already has very pleasing access figures.

— This is followed by a discussion of IFI Rule 101 of the Regulations, which states that up to 50% of the players in the team competition may be non-citizens.

The Austrian Association (AUT) points out that a player in the women's team competition in Team Austria currently still has German citizenship but will receive Austrian citizenship in two weeks.

The German Icestock Association (DESV) proposes to apply to the 2027 Congress for a change in this rule. The Austrian Association supports this proposal.

— The President of the Iranian Association presents the IFI President and the representative of the Austrian Association with a present and thanks them for the good cooperation.

Michael Brandtner suggests that the medals for the youth competitions should be made more elaborate again in the future. President Lindner is happy to be available for further exchange on this.

Marco Tomasini conveys the greetings of the President of the Monegasque Federation and thanks for being accepted into the IFI.

The President of the Finnish Icestocksport Federation points out that the English-speaking member associations are dependent on receiving documents and information in good time and in English.

Christian Lindner thanks all participants of the congress for their participation and wishes them a successful World Championship. He declares the congress of the International Federation Icestocksport at 2:20 p.m. to be over.

Christian Lindner
President
International Federation Icestocksport

Silke Bernardi
Secretary general
International Federation Icestocksport

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