



# Report

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ICF Board of Directors, Cape Town, South Africa,

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**ICF Position:** CONTINENTAL REPRESENTATIVES FOR EUROPE

## ***1. Visits and Meetings since last Board Meeting***

- 27 March - ECA Board meeting II Sofia (BUL)
- 28 March – ECA Congress Sofia (BUL)
- 29 March - ECA Board meeting III Sofia (BUL)
- 2/6 April – Baku European Games Baku 2015 Test event (Elly Muller, Miroslav Haviar, Branko Lovric)
- 4 May – ECA Board meeting IV Praha (CZE)
- 15 July – ECA Board meeting V Potsdam (GER)
- 28 July/2 August – visit to Georgia (Albert Woods, Andrej Jelenc)
- 6 November – ECA Board meeting VI Ljubljana (SLO)
- 6 November – Meeting with European organisers of the World and European official events
- 7 November – Annual Meeting of the European Federations
- 8 November - ECA Board meeting VII Ljubljana (SLO)
- 20/21 November – European Olympic Committee General Assembly (invited Albert Woods)

## **2. Tasks undertaken for this period**

- Coordination with BEGOC 2015 considering sprint canoe events
- Coordination with EOC on the programme of the future Continental and EYOF Games

## **3. Issues and Main Points of Report**

New ECA Board elected by the decision of the ECA Congress in Sofia on 28 March 2015:

<b>The new structure of the ECA Board of Directors:</b>		
President*	Mr. Albert Woods OBE (GBR)	Mandate valid 2019
Vice President	Mr. Miroslav Haviar (SVK)	Mandate valid 2017
Vice President	Mr. Jaroslav Pollert (CZE)	Mandate valid 2019
General Secretary*	Mr. Branko Lovric (CRO)	Mandate valid 2017
Member*	Mr. Andrej Jelenc (SLO)	Mandate valid 2019
Member*	Mr. Thomas Konietzko (GER)	Mandate valid 2019
Member	Mrs. Marta Felpeto Lamas (ESP)	Mandate valid 2019
Member	Mrs. Elly Müller (NED)	Mandate valid 2017
Member	Mrs. Irina Siraeva (RUS)	Mandate valid 2017

\* - representatives to the ICF Bord of Directors

## **4. Future Initiatives and Tasks**

To continue work on standardisation of the TV coverage and production

To support and help ICF development programme on the other Continents in cooperation with the other Continental Association

To secure stay of the sprint racing and work on including slalom discipline in the programme of the next European Games 2019

To secure stay of the canoe sport in the programme of the EYOF Games and to work on the attractiveness of the events and on implementing the new concept of the races.

## **5. Recommendations**

To have same Competition Rules for Sprint and Paracanoeing with separate section for classification

## **6. Items for Resolution by Board of Directors**

1. To implement the decision of the ICF Congress (held in Rome) about fixing the protest fee to 75 € for all disciplines in all competition rules
2. To clear the situation with the Masters category and decide if their competitions can be called as official ICF Championships (Dragon boats Rules)
3. To free organisers of the ICF Worlds Championships from payment the accommodation of TIP participants and to cover this costs from ICF development programme
4. To note that costs of TV coverage of the WCh and WCups are too high for organisers and to find the more economic way of organisation or to cover accommodation costs of TV staff from the ICF Budget
5. Representatives of the Europe to the ICF Board recommend to establish a ranking of the level of the competitions as follows:
  1. Olympic Games
  2. Continental Games
  3. World Championships
  4. Continental Championships
  5. World Cup
  6. World junior and U23 Championships
  7. Continental junior and U23 Championships
  8. Continental Cup
6. Once a year to organise a calendar meeting between the ICF, Continental representatives and media experts, to avoid clashing of the events