



FIPS-Mouche General Assembly

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Welcome

2nd Vice president Edoardo Ferrero welcomes all participants to the general assembly and apologises for the absence of the president and the 1st vice president who for business and health reasons were not able to attend.

Determination of the quorum : (18)

Present : FRA – JAP – POR – SLO – CZE – LAT – USA – ITA – CAN – NZL – RSA – ESP (12)

Board : Edoardo Ferrero and Stefan Allacker (2)

Proxys : CRO – IRL – AUS – BEL (4)

Candidate member : Austria

Observers: Belarus – Egypt

Agenda

The GA (General Assembly) approved the agenda as sent out by the GS (General Secretary) via E-mail

Minutes of the meeting of 2017 GA

The GA had no remarks on last year's report.

The GA approved the minutes of the GA 2017.

Report by the treasurer

The treasurer (Stefan Allacker) provided a detailed report on the FIPS-Mouche financial situation:

- FIPS-Mouche has 4 accounts : 2 in Euro (current & savings), 2 in US \$ (current & savings)
- The current account in Euro is the one used for the daily activities of the FIPS. The US \$ account is used for the sponsorships. Internal transactions between the Euro and US \$ are necessary to pay the youth subsidy to the organiser of the WYFFC.
- The accounts were verified by the board of auditors to CIPS on 8th Feb 2018 in Rome

The result at the of end of 2017 is :

	Euro savings	Euro current	\$ savings	\$ current
End of 2016	82.433,11	3.892,39	27.178,16	1.290,27
End of 2017	82.429,61	15.420,67	19.837,05	333,15
+/-	-3,50	+11.528,28	-7.341,11	-957,12

Debtors : 2.266,00 Euro

Creditors : 1.896,00 Euro

Non-financial assets amount to : 6347,00 Euro

The GA approved the report by the treasurer.

Championships table

GA approved :

- Bid by BIH for WYFFC2020 as a clarification letter was received by the BIH fishing federation with regards to the queries after the 2015 world championship. (letter in **annex A** to the minutes)
- Bid by FRA for the WFFC2024 . FRA intends to have fly fishing recognised as an exhibition sport at the 2024 summer Olympics in Paris. The competition will be held just before or after the Olympic summer games.
- that the decision between the bids for the WMFFC2020 by CZE and ITA would be decided by the board after evaluation of the formal bid documents by both nations.

GA noted :

- Bid by POR to host the 2021 EFFC
- Bid by ITA to host the 2021 WYFFC
- Bid by CAN to host 2022 WMFFC
- Bid by POR to host the 2022 WYFFC
- Bid by ESP to host the 2022 WFFC
- That bid by ITA to host 2022 WFFC is withdrawn as they are hosting the 2018 WFFC after WAL pulled out.
- That the above bids will be approved at the next GA at next year's Congress. The bidding countries should submit the formal bid documents as described in FIPS-Mouche rules 2017.

The above results in the update championship table below :

Year	WFFC	EFFC	WYFFC	WMFFC
2018	Italy Comano Terme 17-23.September www.wmffc2018spain.com	Czech Republic Vyšší Brod 05-11.June http://ffch.cz/en/	Poland Myczkowce 6-12.August wyffc2018.com	Spain Asturias 23-29 April http://www.wmffc2018spain.com/
2019	Australia Tasmania November www.WFFC2019.com	Montenegro Plav July	Czech Rep Southern Bohemia Late August	South Africa (World Games) Dullstroom February

2020	Finland Kuusamo Mid August	Norway Roros July or August	BiH (approved) July or August	Czech Republic (Moravia) (Bid) Italy (Bid)
2021	No World in odds	Portugal (Bid)	Italy (Bid)	No Masters in odds
2022	Spain (Bid) Asturias	No Regional in evens	Portugal (Bid)	Canada (Bid) British Columbia
2023	No World in odds	???	???	No Masters in odds
2024	France (preliminary aproved bid)	No Regional in evens	???	???

Members situation report

Members

The GA accepted unanimously as all required documents were provided as new members:

- Ukraine as a member of the FIPS-Mouche community
- Austria as a member of the FIPS-Mouche community

The GA noted the interest of other nations for membership : Belarus (present at the meeting as an observer) – India – Indonesia – Bulgaria – Iceland-Argentina

The GS reminded the members of the procedure to be followed for membership. Basically three documents need to be provided. Once accepted the yearly CIPS fee needs to be paid.

The GS, in name the full FIPS-Mouche board, encouraged members to motivate neighbouring countries to become a FIPS-Mouche members. It the current board's objective to have a substantial growth of our community.

Contributions

The GS gave an overview of the nations that yet have to fulfil their duties with regards to payment of their federations contributions to CIPS. A couple of nations took part in the WMFFC2018 whilst their contributions were not in order. Concerned nations will rectify this within the coming days.

The GS states that they slipped thru the loop hole. Non-payment at the start of a championship results in non-participation !

Annex B shows the list of the contributions payments situation dd 4 May 2018

New Draw Prg 2.0

Status provided by the GS :

- The Prg was extensively tested by the GS. A data base with prioritised remarks was drawn up so the programmers have a clear view what needed to be resolved in order of importance.
- The program is limited to use FIPS-Mouche style championships. Up to six competitors and six sectors.
- Version2.0 of the draw program was used successfully during the WMFFC2018. Some interventions were needed by the programmers in direct support during the championship.
- The scoring algorithm is still in line with the rules 2017. The programmers however are able to provide an update if a new scoring system is agreed upon in the next GA, resulting in a change of the rules.
- Some of the new functionalities were demonstrated using the WMFFC2018 file: draw process, direct availability of the groups table after the draw, PDF reports of results for easy posting on websites / facebook, possibility of printing ready score sheets to go in the secret envelopes for the international supervisors, ... etc
- The prg still has a few bugs . These however do not impede the use of the prg for future 2018 championship. They will be resolved by end 05/18 so use will be possible at the EFFC in CZE.
- The GS is in close contact with the programmers to resolve these open issues.

The GA members remarked:

- Incompleteness of score sheet
- Technical problem of the carbon copy of the score sheet
- The possibility of the statistics per species of fish
- The availability of the Prg for members use. (editors remark : see www.drawing20.com)

Website status

The GA was informed of the current status of the website. After being “down” for some time it finally got disinfected.

Some new elements were highlighted. The focus was put on the availability of the results pages that shows the PDF pages coming from the new Draw prg

The GS asked the members for input at any time. The board will take all suggestions into consideration.

Change of the scoring system

Some months ago an e-mail was sent out to all members requesting information on their national scoring systems. A presentation with the answers to this questionnaire was shown to the GA.

The GA took note that:

- all these systems were presented in an overview
- Most nations use a linear algorithm that is in line with the FIPS-Mouche rules as they are considered as the standard on which national selections of teams should take place. Some take into account a higher value for salmonid species. Some define minimum length per species.

- Australia has elaborated and proposed a system rewarding bigger fish with more points per cm.
- ESP uses an algorithm that makes an estimation of the weight of the fish in relation to its size.
- BEL elaborated on a ranking system that differs from the current “blank” system where place points to the amount of number of participants. The proposal by BEL gives a fixed penalty for a blank. (i.e. 1/3 of the number of participants)
example : 21 participants results in a penalty 7 place points for a blank score. All competitors “blanking” in a session / sector will receive place points equal to the mathematical rank. (7 anglers catching fish are ranked from 1 to 7 , all “blankers” are mathematically 8th + a penalty of 7 = 15 ; should 20 out of 21 catch fish then the one “blanker” would receive 28 place points)

The GA further noted :

- The suggestion of FRA of creating a working group to further develop a new scoring / ranking system. The chairman replied that this should be further explored by the technical commission FIPS-Mouche.
- The suggestion from BEL with the development of multiple scoring systems that may be considered for integration in the 2019 rules. The different systems could be applied in function of type of venue and water, conditions, ...etc where a championship is being held.
- The remark from AUS that it is highly desirable to have a new system in place by the 2019 WFFC in Tasmania (Australia) as sizes of fish may vary greatly at the selected sectors for this championship.

The GA agreed that:

- The FIPS-Mouche technical commission should further elaborate on the “scoring” issue and provide worked out proposal to be included into the agenda for 2019 GA.
- The FIPS-Mouche technical commission should do the same for a revised “ranking system”
- The above elaborated scoring / ranking system should result in a rules change proposal to be considered at the 2019 GA

Final Q&A : none

The chairman thanked the members for the constructive discussion .

GA was formally closed at 16:20



Stefan Allacker (General Secretary)



Mario Podmanik (President)