



Report of FAI representative

Lausanne SUI, 01-02.02.2020

**Hang Gliding & Paragliding
Commission (CIVL) Plenary Meeting**



CIVL Plenary Meeting 2020

MAIN TOPICS

1. FAI General Conference 2019 & Budget 2020
2. FAI World Air Games 2022
3. The World Games (& Olympics)
4. Antidoping
5. FAI Secretariat



FAI GC 2019

PROCEEDINGS

1. Awarded to Marrakech, Morocco (FAI GC 2017)
 - Original dates 21-27.10.2019
2. Cancelled by FAI EB
 - host not meeting obligations on 16.08.2019
3. New dates and location: Lausanne SUI
 - 02.12. FAI Executive Board
 - 03.12. Commission Presidents with EB
 - 04.12. Commission Presidents with FAI President, CASI
 - 04.12. FAI President & FAI Members
 - **05.12. General Conference, Opening/Awards**
 - **06.12. General Conference, CASI, Closing**
 - 07.12. FAI Executive Board



USEFUL INFORMATION

1. Official website

- <https://www.fai.org/gc2019>

2. Annexes

- <http://gc2019.fai.org>
- P/W case sensitive: FAIgc2019Lausanne
- Also for «FAI Secretary General Official Report»
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FAI GC 2019



BUDGET PROPOSAL -> APPROVAL

1. FAI Executive Board proposal 23.09.2019
“FAI FINANCES – Review, BUDGET 2020 and outlook“
2. UK proposal during the FAI General Conference
3. Main decisions
 1. Delegates approved a 10% increase FAI subscription
 2. Delegates approved the UK proposal
 3. Disregarding EB proposals
4. Financial Effects
 1. Memberships = plus 95'000 (still 160' less than proposed)
 2. Admin costs cut = minus approx. 300'000 CHF
 3. Fine-tuning & adjustments costs ongoing

FAI GC 2019



BOB HENDERSON (FAI PRESIDENT)

[...review and re-assign workflows to comply with two short-term goals set by the board as a result of the feedback given to us at the GC:

1. To make the FAI leaner and more effective with the urgently necessary cost cutting to achieve the voted budget, while at the same time not compromising the achievement of the FAI goals as a sporting organisation.
2. To set the focus within the FAI secretariat on the main issues of Records, Awards and Competitions and the necessary management, communication and promotion of airsports vis-à-vis the NACs, Sporting Commissions and international affiliates of the FAI...

Focus 2020



PRESIDENT'S MUSINGS # 10

shared with delegates

Focus 2020



PRESIDENT'S MUSINGS JANUARY 2020

Dear friends, as we move into 2020 may I first express my best wishes to you all for the new year.

The General Conference is behind us now. The little time between the end of the GC and the holiday break was used as efficiently as possible to start the re-shaping of the FAI to meet the clear expectations expressed by the GC.

There have been a number of changes in the office and with the Executive Board. Susanne Schödel has, by mutual agreement, left the office and Markus Haggeneby has been appointed Acting Secretary General, as advised on the 9th of December. Annick Hauser has also left the office and Greg Pyzalka, who is a contractor to FAI, has reduced his availability for event support. Jean-Claude Weber has been elected by Conference to the position of Chair of the Statutes Working Group and Mary Anne Stevens has accepted the role of Finance Director.

Two informal meetings were held during the week of the GC – one with the Commission Presidents and one with 27 representatives of NACs. The objective of both meetings was to explore the questions of whether there is a need for an international federation (called FAI), and the core business of FAI.

The outcome from the meetings aligned with the discussion that occurred during the GC:

- ☺ FAI, as an organisation, should concentrate on:
 - ✓ support for air sports with airspace, safety, antidoping
 - ✓ representing air sports to other international federations and politically
 - ✓ recognising sporting achievements (records and awards)
 - ✓ providing tools for supporting air sport activities
 - ✓ facilitating communication between stakeholders
- ☺ There is value in national bodies being linked to an International Federation (recognition and funding)
- ☹ FAI should not attempt to negotiate at the national level with governments and regulators

As a result, the EB, immediately following the GC, set the following priorities:

1. To make the FAI leaner and more effective within the urgently necessary cost cutting, while at the same time not compromising the achievement of the FAI goals as a sporting organisation.
2. To set the focus within the FAI secretariat on the main issues of Competitions, Records and Awards and the necessary management, communication and promotion of airsports vis-à-vis the NACs, Air Sport Commissions and international affiliates of the FAI.
3. To start considering operationally how to create value for the FAI to generate additional income for FAI and to limit financial risk to the core of FAI operations.

Markus Haggeneby is focused on achieving the first two priorities as rapidly as possible. Wider consideration of the scope and structure of the FAI is now underway with volunteers engaged on the FAI 2020 project.

Implications

Assisting Members. You will note that the focus is clearly on the air sports. This is a clear direction from the GC and the members. With the downsizing of the office there is a necessary re-focusing of work priorities and this means that other work, especially around assisting members to resolve internal issues, will only be able to be undertaken when time permits and when costs are covered.

Budget. With the budget approved by the GC there is no capability for the board to undertake external activities such as boards-of-inquiry or attendance at events unless these are funded by the organisations requesting these activities. Attendance by FAI staff and/or board members at Commission Plenaries will, likewise, be minimised to reduce costs.

Board Meetings. These will continue to be conducted via zoom. However, with the need to spend time considering the function and shape of the organisation combined with the need to create a sustainable budget, the board will meet periodically face-to-face. The next such meeting is planned for three days at the end of January.

Communications. As discussed during the GC, it is my intention to continue to improve the frequency and content of communications from the secretariat, the EB and myself to all of you. My wish is that you would do the same. Since past experience has been that these communications have generated few responses, or even acknowledgements, I implore you to contribute your thoughts and expertise to the renewal of FAI. All feedback is appreciated, even a single line to say 'we agree, stay the course' will let me know that you support the approach being taken.

In closing let me ask that we approach 2020 as a year of opportunity for all parts of FAI to work together for the good of the organisation.

Best regards

Bob Henderson
President, FAI



FAI WORLD AIR GAMES

**Cancelled
12/2020**

1. Dates moved from 2020 to 2022
 - Decision communicated in Dec 2018
 - THK Board changes
 - FAI Board changes
2. Change in concept
 - A collection of FAI World Championships or 'Special Events', all as Category 1
 - Commission Sanction Fees as normal
3. Venue visits with all ASC liaisons
4. Main documents (see GC-cloud)
 - Annex 14.1_FA I World Air Games_Master Concept_V1.0
 - Annex 14.2_FA I WAG reference documents from General Conferences

FAI WAG
2022



PLEASE SHARE RESULTS (CHRISTINE@FAI.ORG)

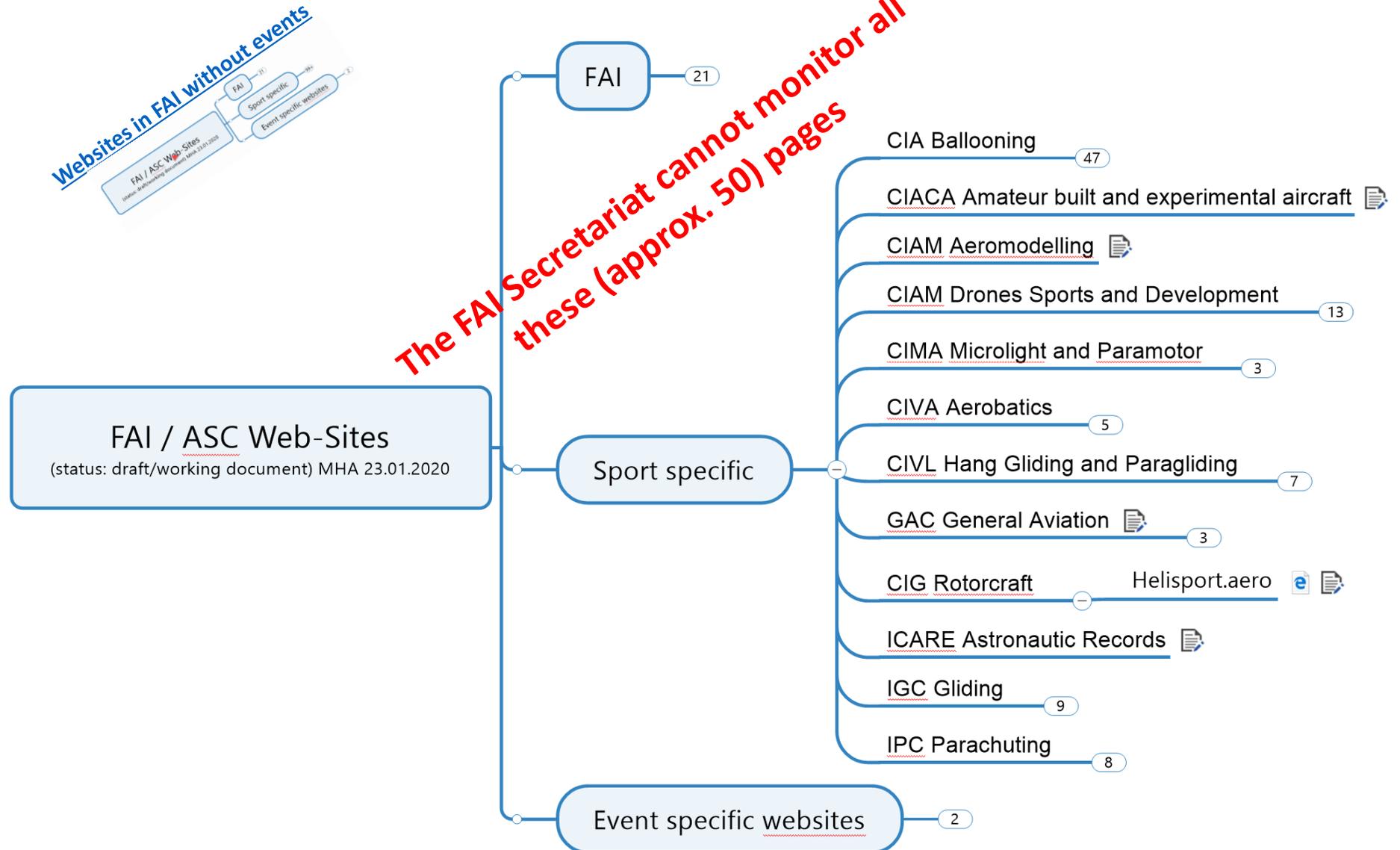
- Full results with full competitors names
- Reports of the Jury president
- Protest (if any)
- Images of the event and the winners

Competition Results



ASC WEB-SITES (W/O EVENT WEB SITES)

Competition Results





FAI & MULTI-SPORT EVENTS

FAI & Olympism

- Several attempts
- Appreciating FFP efforts for Paris 2024
- Detailed analysis prepared by CIVL (“Olympisme”)

FAI and participation in multisport-events

- Asian Games
- Asian Beach Games
- The World Games
- ...

The Olympic
Dream?



**MULTIDISCIPLINE
WITH AIR
SPORTS
(IWGA, CISM)**

World Games (IWGA) - www.theworldgames.org

- 2025 Chengdu, CHN
 - sports programme pending
- 2021 Birmingham, USA
 - Drone racing (32, 20m/12f), Parachuting CP (36, 24m/12f)
- 2017 Wroclaw, POL
 - Paramotors (18), Glider Aerobatics (12), Parachuting (CP, 36)
- 2013 Cali, Colombia
 - Paragliding, Parachuting (CP, 36), Paragliding (AL, 36)
- 2009 Kaohsiung, TPE
 - Parachuting (AL, CF, FS, Freeflying, CP), 86 athletes
- 2005 Duisburg, GER
 - Parachuting (AL, FS-4way, Freestyle, Freeflying, CP), 86 athletes
- 2001 Akita, JPN
 - Parachuting (AL), 14 athletes/8 countries
- 1997 Lahti, FIN
 - Parachuting (AL, FS-4way, Freestyle), 84 athletes/19 countries

International Military Sports Council (CISM) - www.milsport.one

- 2019 – Wuhan, CHN, Parachuting
- 2017 – Switzerland, Indoor Skydiving
- Since 1965 – Parachuting



**MULTIDISCIPLINE
EVENTS
SOME WITH AIR SPORTS
(OCA)**

OCASIA.ORG/GAME/GAMES

Asian Games

- 2026 Nagoya, JPN
- 2022 Hangzhou, CHN - Drones to be proposed by FAI, Asian Summit 06/2019
- **2018 Jakarta, INA – Paragliding (accuracy and cross country)**

Asian Beach Games

- **2020 Sanya, China – Paramotors**
- **2014 Phuket, THA – Paragliding (Accuracy) and Paramotors**
- **2012 Haiyang, CHN – Paramotors**
- **2008 Bali, INA – Paragliding (Accuracy and cross country)**

South East Asian (SEA) Games

- 2025 Chonburi, Thailand
- 2023 Phnom Penh, Cambodia
- 2021 Vietnam
- **2011 Jakarta – Paragliding**

Asian Youth Games

- 2021 Shantou, Guangdong, China

South Asian Games

- 2019 Kathmandu and Pokhara, Nepal



THE 10TH WORLD GAMES

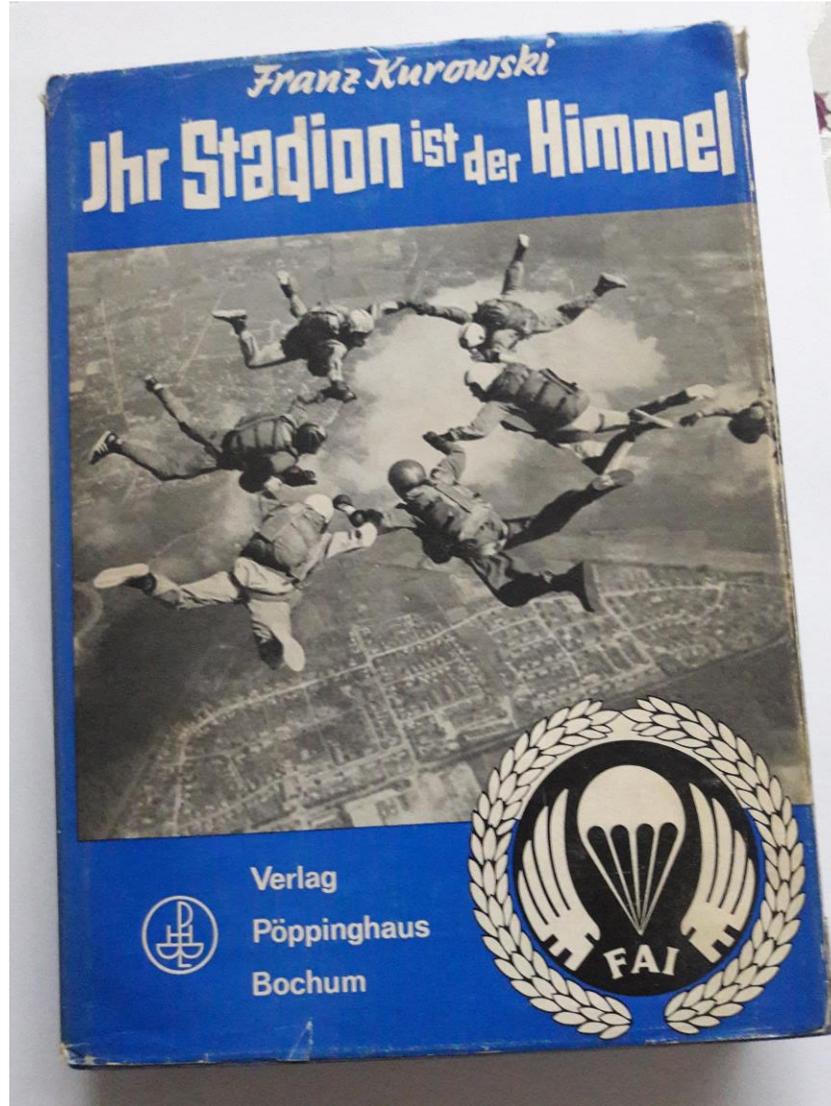
1. IWGA International World Games Association
2. Birmingham, Alabama, USA
3. 15-25.07.2021
4. Weblinks
 1. IWGA <https://www.theworldgames.org/>
 2. BOC <https://theworldgames2021.com/>

[\[Link to TWG2021-main-ppt\]](#)

THE WORLD
GAMES 2021



FAI's
exclusive
stage



“The sky is their stadium” (1972)

The Sky Is Our Stadium

FAI World Air Games Dubai 2015





Anti-Doping

FAI & ANTI-DOPING

- Dr. Geff McCarthy
 - CIMP Vice-President
 - Chair of FAI TUE Panel
 - Member of ITA TUE Panel
- WADA Conference
 - every 4 years the most important WADA meeting
 - currently in Poland – FAI represented
- Regular contacts with and representation at WADA, being close to their European office.
- The FAI Anti-Doping programme is running smoothly



Anti-Doping

“FLY CLEAN!”

- Focus on
 - in-competition testing,
 - risk assessment issued by FAI doctors
 - potential risk during events and not outside of competition.
- Registered Testing Pool
 - pool of athletes tested out of competition
 - it is a requirement from WADA as we are WADA Code signatory
 - FAI managed to minimize this requirement to the lowest number
- Daily focus
 - reducing the burden on athletes
 - while keeping the programme up to speed and on track



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2. Substantial additional information

- <https://www.fai.org/anti-doping>
- <https://www.fai.org/anti-doping-useful-information>
- “The Fly Clean campaign”
- Testing methods
- Q & A

Fly (Jump)
Clean!



RUSADA & WADA & CAS

RUSADA disputes WADA's allegation. The matter referred to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS).

Consequences starting from the day of the CAS decision.

Useful links:

WADA-website: <https://www.wada-ama.org/>

[WADA press-release 09.12.2019](#)

FAQ will be provided shortly on the WADA website.

RUS doping
case



RUS doping case

FAI STATEMENT (24.01.2020)

- [...The CAS (Court of Arbitration for Sport) case is pending, for now, everything remains unchanged.
- We do not see a benefit in reacting pre-emptively.
- We feel that whatever we might put in place now, might turn out to be wrong.
- It is better to react based on facts once we know these.
- We wait for final decision and clear guidelines from WADA.
- We will do our best, when we have a margin for action, to protect FAI events and competitors...]



STAFFING UNTIL 12/2019

FAI Head
Office in
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FAI Acting Secretary General
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JANUARY 2020

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