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Annual Report of the CF Committee Chair Poland 2005

In 2004 the Committee mainly focused its attention on the 11th WPC held in Rijeka, Croatia.

I would like to thank the Organizers of the Championship. It was a well organized event where all disciplines took their time. The program was completed in the 4-way sequential event and the 8-way speed event. In the 4-way rotation even round 8 was not finished due to the weather conditions.

Open Committee Meeting in Rijeka

During the WPC there Open Committee Meeting took place attended by the Committee Members present on site, competitors and the Judging Panel.

All the participants were especially worried by the insufficient representation (little number of teams) at the 11th WPC:

- 7 countries (teams) in the rotation event,
- 6 countries (teams) in the sequential event,
- 3 countries (teams) in the 8-way speed event

Year after year the same countries come to the competitions (Australia, Finland, France, Italy, Russia, Sweden, the Czech Republic, USA).

At the meeting it was proposed to consider the means to attract the participants from other countries to the First Category Events. 3 ways to increase participation were suggested:

- 1) to change the competition format to include the 2-way event;
- 2) to invite competitors from Asia countries and other geographic regions;
- 3) to increase the number of teams per nation.

Changes to the Competition Rules

Last year the proposed changes to the Competition Rules raised no objections neither via e-mail, nor at the open meeting. This year the following changes were proposed in Croatia:

- 1) either introduce the 30 seconds rule in the rotation event or drop it from all events; the competitors are inclined to introduce 30 seconds in all events, whereas the judges are against it, they refer to difficulties in judging the events,
- 2) no throw away round, all rounds count
- 3) add 2-way event to the World Cup 2005 Competition Rules,
- 4) to coordinate the Competition Rules with the Jurors and Video controllers handbook

Future Events

The USA submitted a bid to host the World Cup 2005 (Mondial format).

We are very much concerned with the Germany refusing to include CF in the WPC 2006. Hopefully, the IPC will do its best to have the Mondial format event in Germany, so that all parachuting disciplines are included. The WPC in Croatia showed that a country that is not practicing FS or CF is capable of running an event in these disciplines. So Germany, which is practicing all parachuting disciplines including CF, is quite capable of running vent in all parachuting disciplines.

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Committee Work

I would like to thank the CF Committee members and Advisers for their support throughout the year.

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