



Fédération Aéronautique Internationale

Minutes

of the Bureau Meeting of the FAI Aeromodelling Commission

Held in Lausanne, Switzerland on 11th April 2024

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FAI AEROMODELLING COMMISSION (CIAM)



MINUTES

of the April 2024 CIAM Bureau Meeting held at Maison du Sport International (MSI), Lausanne on Thursday 11th April 2024 at 13.30 hours

In the chair:	Mr Antonis Papadopoulos (Greece)	President of CIAM
	Mr Bruno Delor (France)	1st Vice-President
	Mr Narve Jensen (Norway)	2 nd Vice-President
	Mr Andras Ree (Hungary)	3rd Vice-President
		Treasurer
	Mr Massimo Semoli (Germany)	Secretary
	Mr Ian Kaynes (United Kingdom)	F1 Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Peter Uhlig (Germany)	F3 Aerobatics Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Stefan Wolf (Germany)	F3C/N Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Barrie Lever (Great Britain)	F3 Pylon Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Pal Linden Anthonisen (Norway)	F4 Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Sotir Lazarkov (Bulgaria	F5 Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Zoran Pelagic (Slovakia)	SM Sub-Committee Chairman
	Mr Per Findahl (Sweden)	Education Sub-Committee Chairman

The President opened the meeting at 13.30 and welcomed the members of the CIAM Bureau.

Meetings Procedurals

- 1. 2024 April Bureau Meeting Agenda No comments
- 2. Approval of the Bureau Meeting Minutes of December 2023 The minutes are not yet ready for publication.
- 3. Matter Arising

None.

Competition Reports

4. 2023 FAI World Championships. Reports by Jury Chairmen

There are no comments for the submitted reports. The report for the F3D/F3E WCh is still pending.

5. 2023 FAI Continental Championships. Reports by Jury Chairmen

No comments and all reports are available.

6. 2023 FAI World/Euro Cups. Reports by World Cup co-ordinators

No comments and all reports are available.

Annual Reports

7. 2023 Annual reports by Subcommittee Chairmen – Missing Reports F2 and F7 reports were missing.

8. CIAM Trophies. Report by CIAM Secretary, Massimo Semoli.

The main issue is relevant to the trophies awarded to Russia or to Russian competitors in the previous championships which were not returned to be awarded. They are 7 for WCh and 5 for ECh.

The Bulgarian Aeromodelling Federation donated to CIAM three F5J WCh perpetual trophies:

- F5J World Champion Icarus Trophy
- Emil Giezendanner F5J Junior World Champion Trophy
- Bulgaria Electric Soaring F5J Team Trophy

The Plenary has approved the donation.

Germany is going to offer a trophy for the World F5J Junior team. This offer was approved by the Plenary.

The Slovenian NAC would like to award a diploma in memory of Andrija Ducak who recently passed away. The plenary has approved this and the Space Models S/C will prepare the details.

8.1. Lost or damaged trophies

The trophies donated the previous year for the Space World Cup are now ready to be awarded. They substitute the previously lost trophies for the classes S6, S9, S8, S4 and S7.

9. Financials by CIAM Treasurer, Andras Ree

- 9.1 Aeromodelling Fund. Report
 - Mr Ree provided the relevant report:

The FAI Secretary General Mr. Hagenney who was also attending the meeting explained the new budget FAI procedure. He explained the "Special Reserves" concept and said that the FAI EB would soon present a policy for this. The various Bank Accounts are now closed. He also explained the way the office is handling the expense claims.

9.2 Budget

There are not many changes in the CIAM-approved 2024 budget. The 2025 proposal is still under preparation.

9.3 Sanction fees

No unpaid CIAM-related invoices are shown in the year-end statement.

The sanction fees for CAT 1 Championships will be changed for 2024 with a reduced fixed amount and 10 CHF for each Team Manager/Competitor. So the sanction fees will be shared by the organizer and the participants.

9.4 Payments for medals There are no pending payments for the medals.

Sporting Calendar

10. 2024 Sporting Calendar.

10.5 FAI Medals for 2024

No issues.

Interim Decisions

11. Decisions to be ratified

Change of reserve judges in 2024 F3A ECh. Change of deadline for final entry WCh F3J 2024. Change of judge of 2024 F4 WCh. The bulletin 0 of the 2025 F5J in Argentina will be evaluated soon.

Drones Matters

12. 2024 World Drone Racing Championship in China

The 2024 FAI World Drone Racing Championship (WDRC) is planned in Hangzhou, China from the 31st of October to the 3rd of November. The Bulletin 1 was published in February 2024 and the bulletin 2 will be published soon.

13. 2025 TWG

In February 2024, FAI confirmed that Drone Racing is going to be the FAI Ambassador to the World Games 2025 in Chengdu, China. CIAM is in contact with the local organisers and the organisation looks good. The competitor's selection will be like the 2022 TWG: 32 athletes with 10 women part of them. It is based on FAI events like the World Championship and 2024 World Cup results. The selection will be notified to the NACs.

Issues

14. Entry Fees – Review of the concept

The CIAM President prepared a PowerPoint presentation for presenting this topic to the plenary meeting. The new method for the entry fees was agreed upon by the Bureau and it will be presented at the Plenary for approval.

15. Section 4 – Sporting Code renumbering and format

A new Technical Secretary, is to be elected by the Plenary and the topic will be also discussed with the office. We need to harmonize the volumes format.

16. Online registration for CAT1 events

The application software is in place and already in use for selected FAI events. However the war with Russia is affecting the maintenance. CIAM President will discuss the case with FAI IT Manager and the topic will be discussed again in December.

17. Jury and Judges panel composition for CAT2 events

This topic was discussed in December and was reviewed during this meeting. It was agreed that Mr. Zoran Pelagic who introduced the topic will further develop it and will be part of the agenda in December.

18. Bulletin – 0 Template

A revised version template for the bulletin 0 is in progress. Mr.Bruno Delor will inform the Bureau members of this and then the website will be updated. If so needed this topic will be discussed in December.

19. CIAM forms update

Some forms are obsolete even because some tools like AMS tools are used. All users are satisfied by the AMS tool. Some improvements have been agreed and the form relevant to the competition registration should be removed.

20. CIAM web pages update

The descriptions of some aeromodelling classes are still missing or are old on the FAI website. The CIAM President asked the subcommittee chairmen to provide up-to-date descriptions.

21. Future of the Trophies (cost of transportation, missing Trophies)

It was pointed out the considerable costs for transporting trophies, especially for the big ones. It would be better to suggest maximum dimensions for the new trophies.

It has to be established what to do for the trophies awarded to Russia or Russian competitors which were never returned to the relevant championships. Should they be replaced with new offered trophies? This will be discussed in December.

Activities

22. Meet with the Champions – Online presentations

Early in 2025, CIAM will organize the "Meet with the Champions" webinars. The exact program will be discussed in December. It will be good if we are able to organize at least 4 such webinars from January to March 2025.

23. CIAM Legends medal review

The awarding of the CIAM Legends medals had been well appreciated and some other FAI airposrts would like to do the same. 3 more legend medals have to be awarded this year for the following classes: F1 for a USA competitor, Drone for a Thailand competitor and F3N for a Chinese Taipei competitor.

24. Members Survey

The CIAM members survey has been completed and the CIAM President showed the results using a PowerPoint presentation. They will be displayed and discussed at the Plenary Meeting. He presented how many aeromodellers there are per nation, and, for each discipline and classes, how many countries are involved. CIAM Bureau will evaluate the classes during the December Bureau meeting.

Plenary Meeting

25. 2024 Plenary Meeting

25.1 Ágenda

The technical Meetings were organized online form the 9th to the 17th of March 2024. The Plenary Meeting will be held in person at the MSI in Lausanne.

25.2 Award ceremonies

Many medals and diplomas are in the FAI office for the previous years as well. FAI will provide information to the NACs about how to receive the World Cup Medals and Diplomas, if not collected by the present delegates.

Championships Assessment

26. 2025 FAI World Championships. Reports on preparation by S/C chairmen or representatives of organisers

The Bulletin1 2025 F3P WCh to be published and Bulletin 0 of the 2025 F5J WCh to be reviewed.

27. Future FAI World and Continental Championships

2027 F1 Senior WCh in Mongolia will bid for an early award.

2027 F5J WCh in USA will bid for an early award.

Any Other Business

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Scholarship.

It was discussed that the documents presented by Hungary for the CIAM Scholarship are not the right ones. Mr. Per Findahl and Mr. Andras Ree will assist with this.

An idea to upload all the proposals to the FAI Cloud will be discussed in December. This will assist the NACs in evaluating the proposals before the publication of the agenda.

The meeting was adjourned by CIAM President at 17.30