



Lausanne, 2 December 2020

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

**The Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI; the World Air Sports Federation) was founded in 1905. It is a non-government and non-profit-making international organisation, with the basic aims of:**

- **furthering aeronautical and astronautical activities worldwide,**
- **ratifying international records,**
- **coordinating the organisation of international competitions.**

After over a century of steady growth, FAI is now an organisation of more than 100 member countries, forming a strong network linking all those who participate in air sports worldwide.

FAI activities include Aerobatics, Aeromodelling, Airships, Amateur-Built and Experimental Aircraft, Ballooning, Drones, Gliding, Hang Gliding, Helicopters, Manpowered Flying, Microlights, Paragliding, Paramotors, Power Flying, Skydiving and all other Aeronautic activities and Aerospace records.

As the official world governing body for drones, FAI establishes regulations for drone racing competitions organised by its Members throughout the world and ratifies international drone records. The first FAI World Drone Racing Championships took place in 2018 and the second edition in 2019, under the supervision of the FAI. Furthermore, the FAI has been running the FAI Drone Racing World Cup since 2016.

FAI is also keen to be part of the extended sports community through participation in multi-sport events, whether global or regional. Since 1997, sport parachuting has been part of the official programme of the World Games. Parachuting Canopy Piloting and Drone Racing will feature in the programme of the 2022 World Games in Birmingham, Alabama, USA. And in 2018, Paragliding was part of the Asian Games for the first time.

Represented at the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO), FAI takes an active role in the decision-making process relating to flight safety, pilot training and licensing, and air space regulations.

**In 1986, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) recognised FAI as an Olympic Federation.**

Furthermore, FAI is a member of the Global Association of International Sport Federations (GAISF), the Association of IOC Recognised International Sports Federations (ARISF), and the International World Games Association (IWGA).

Yours sincerely,

Markus Haggenev  
FAI Secretary General

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91<sup>e</sup> SESSION DU COMITE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIQUE  
A LAUSANNE  
*91st SESSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE IN  
LAUSANNE*

du 12 au 17 octobre 1986  
*from 12th to 17th October 1986*

**1<sup>a</sup> FEDERATION AERONAUTIQUE  
INTERNATIONALE (F.A.I.)**

A ÉTÉ RECONNUE, SELON L'ARTICLE 29 DE LA  
CHARTRE, PAR LE COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL  
OLYMPIQUE  
*RECEIVED RECOGNITION, PURSUANT TO RULE 29 OF THE  
CHARTER, FROM THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE*

JUAN ANTONIO SAMARANCH  
PRÉSIDENT DU C.I.O.



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Monsieur le Directeur Général,

C'est avec plaisir que je vous informe que, lors de la récente réunion à Lausanne de la Commission exécutive du Comité International Olympique, les 5 et 6 décembre 1985, et sur recommandation de la Commission pour le programme du C.I.O., le Comité International Olympique a décidé d'accorder sa reconnaissance officielle à la Fédération Aéronautique Internationale pour les disciplines de parachutisme, vol à voile et vol libre.

Je profite de cette occasion pour souhaiter à votre fédération la bienvenue au sein du Mouvement olympique.

Veillez croire, Monsieur le Directeur Général, en l'assurance de ma considération distinguée.

  
Juan Antonio SAMARANCH

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Le Comité International Olympique  
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**Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI)**



comme Fédération Internationale de sport reconnue par le CIO  
en vertu des règles de la Charte olympique

Thomas Bach  
Président du CIO