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## **China and Czechia new team champions at the 46th CISM World Military Parachuting Championships**

Szolnok, Hungary, 15 July 2024 – **China and Czechia showed all-round excellence to clinch Overall Team Champion status at the 46th International Military Sports Council (CISM) World Military Parachuting Championships, after the event concluded with dramatic tie-break rounds.**

Several **hotly contested tie-breakers** made for a thrilling finale at the dropzone in Szolnok, Hungary as the podium rankings were concluded. The event will make its **mark in the history books**, with some Accuracy Landings being put forward for ratification as new FAI records.

Aside from the individual performances, CISM focuses on **overall excellence**: the speciality of CISM parachuting championships is that the same five team members must achieve top scores in the three categories of Accuracy Landing, Style and Formation Skydiving to win the prestigious Overall Team classification, and it is the Chinese women and the Czech men who have shown such excellence in this 46th edition of the championships.

Speaking at the Closing Ceremony on Friday 12 July, the outgoing President of CISM Parachuting Col Gernot Rittenschober said in his farewell speech from CISM:

*"The landmark of Szolnok, which is also included in the championship logo, is a bridge. All participants shall keep this memory in their mind and that it is important to build bridges between all participating nations, between the military sports (CISM) and civilian sports organisation (FAI) and between organisers, judges and competitors for the mutual benefit of us all."*

### CISM Overall Teams Results

#### **Female**

1. China
2. Republic of Korea
3. Brazil

#### **Male**

1. Czechia
2. Germany
3. Republic of Korea

### Continuing the FAI-CISM partnership

The CISM motto of 'Friendship through Sport' has remained a focus of these championships which saw the hosts from Hungary compete alongside 28 other nations. Likewise, officials from FAI and CISM have welcomed the opportunity to maintain their **long-lasting partnership**.

FAI Skydiving Commission (ISC) President Alberto Martin Paracuellos who was present for the championships praised CISM's organisation, commenting, *"These championships have been impressive not only for the exciting competition presented by these incredible skydivers, but also for the smooth organisation and innovative technology used to keep spectators up to date with live jumps and judging. FAI warmly congratulates CISM on another excellent event and looks forward to collaborating on the next CISM air sports competitions."*

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#### **About FAI**

FAI, the World Air Sports Federation, is the world governing body for air sports and for certifying world aviation and space records. The FAI was founded in 1905 and is a non-governmental and non-profit-making organisation recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

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

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