



DRAFT MINUTES
Extraordinary General Assembly of the European Rowing Confederation
Ottensheim, Austria
Sunday, 1 September 2019

1. Opening of the session.

The Chair of the European Rowing Board ("ERB"), Ryszard Stadniuk (POL), opened the 2019 General Assembly and introduced the members of the board: Nebojsa Jevremovich (SRB), Eva Szanto (HUN), Annamarie Phelps (GBR), Algirdas Raslanas (LTU), Roland Weill (FRA) and Patrick Rombaut (BEL). Mr. Stadniuk thanked the delegates for taking the time to attend this Extraordinary General Assembly.

2. Identification of the delegates and confirmation of their authority.

A roll call was made and at the time there were 29 member federations represented, each with one vote. A majority was thus 15 votes if all voted.

3. Appointment of scrutineers for the period of the Meeting.

The Chair asked and received approval to nominate the following delegates as scrutineers:

- Gary Harris (GBR)
- Svilen Neykov (BUL)

4. Attribution of the hosting rights for future European Rowing Championship events

The European Rowing Championships, all three, have been included in the World Rowing Strategic Event Attribution Process in order to simplify and clarify processes for the bidders. The overall situation is presented in Figure 1 below.

- a. **European Rowing Championships** – The ERB presented the bidding situation for the 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 European Rowing Championships and explained the full matrix of bids for the overall World Rowing Strategic Events Attribution Process (SEAP). The ERB has participated in an evaluation of all bids and recommended the following events be attributed to the cities and member federations (see figure 2 below):

2021 Varese, ITA
2022 Munich, GER
2023 Bled, SLO
2024 Open for the SEAP "repechage" to take place in early 2020

The delegates supported recommendations by a majority show of cards. These three European Rowing Championships were therefore attributed to the venues listed above.

- b. European Rowing Junior and Under 23 Championships – The bidding situation for these events in the period 2021 to 2024 was presented as in figure 3. As can be seen, the situation is clear for the following bidders:

ERJCH

2021 Munich GER
2022 Sabaudia ITA
2023 Minsk BLR or Brive FRA
2024 Minsk BLR or Brive FRA

It was agreed between Minsk and Brive that Brive takes 2023 and Minsk takes 2024. Therefore, the 2021 ERJCH was attributed to Munich GER, 2022 ERJCH to Sabaudia ITA, 2023 ERJCH to Brive FRA and 2024 ERJCH to Minsk BLR.

ERU23CH

2021 Open for the SEAP “repechage” to take place in early 2020
2022 Hazewinkel BEL

Voting was required for:

2023 between Krefeld GER and Rostov-on-Don RUS

The voting resulted in Krefeld receiving 9 votes and Rostov receiving 20 votes.

As Rostov-on-Don was attributed the 2023 ERU23CH, Duisburg GER was the only candidate for 2024 ERU23CH.

Therefore, the 2022 ERU23CH is attributed to Hazewinkel BEL, 2023 ERU23CH to Rostov-on-Don RUS and the 2024 ERU23CH to Duisburg, GER. The 2021 ERU23CH will be attributed during the SEAP “repechage” round in early 2020.

5. Delegation of Authority

The European Rowing Board, in order to complete the SEAP process for the three “open” events and the European Rowing Indoor Championships, asked the General Assembly to delegate its authority to the ERB to attribute the remaining events, namely, the 2024 European Rowing Championships and the 2021 European Under 23 Championships as well as the 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 European Rowing Indoor Championships in early 2020, together with the other open SEAP events. The delegates supported this delegation of authority with a clear showing of voting cards.

6. Any Other Business

a. Indoor Rowing:

- Para rowing distance for European Indoor Championships is now 2000m in line with FISA Rules. The European Rowing Indoor Rowing rules are available on the European Rowing [publications](#) page of the FISA website.
- The 2019/2020 European Rowing Indoor Rowing Championships will be held in Prague, Czech Republic, 11th January 2020.
- NFs are encouraged to bid for future European Indoor Championships: please contact Liz Souter (liz.souter@fisa.org) with expressions of interest as soon as possible.

b. European Rowing Meetings:

- FISA National Federations' Meeting: there will be no European Rowing meeting in London in November 2019.
 - The ERB proposed a European Presidents' Meeting in late February/early March. A bid document setting out expectations for prospective NF would be circulated to those interested.
- c. EU Erasmus Plus application:**
- The application for funding for a European Olympic Values Education Programme will be submitted in April. If successful this programme will start from January 2021. NFs that have applied to be part of this will be contacted regarding the roll-out of the programme once confirmation has been received.
- d. ERC status:**
- The ERB has submitted an application for recognition of the European Rowing Confederation by the FISA Congress following the World Rowing Championships at Linz-Ottensheim. [Note, the European Rowing Confederation did receive formal approval from delegates of the FISA Congress as a recognised Continental Federation for Europe.]
- e. ERC strategy:**
- The meeting reviewed the outcomes from the Presidents Meeting held in Amsterdam 2-3 March 2019. The meeting identified priorities for the ERC to collectively improve the standard of, profile and investment into rowing across Europe. The priorities identified by NFs were: young people; coastal rowing; club and sub-elite competition; ensuring rowing is relevant to society; making ER events affordable and spectator/TV friendly.
 - A draft mission statement was agreed: European Rowing aspires to be a leading continental confederation, by adding value to rowing globally, by supporting FISA's strategic objectives, and by supporting its NFs to work together for the successful and sustainable future of rowing.

The Extraordinary General Assembly ended.

The European Rowing Management Board:

Ryszard Stadniuk, POL, Chair
 Eva Szanto, HUN, Secretary
 Patrick Rombaut, BEL
 Dusan Machacek, CZE

Annamarie Phelps, GBR, Deputy Chair
 Nebojsa Jevremovic, SRB
 Algirdas Raslanas, LTU

Figure 1

Strategic Event Attribution Process (SEAP)



i. Final bids received for European Rowing events 2021-2024

Event	2021	2022	2023	2024
ERCH	Varese	Bled Varese Munich	Bled Varese	
ERJCH	Brive Munich Sabaudia	Sabaudia	Brive Minsk	Brive Minsk
ERU23CH		Hazewinkel	Krefeld Rostov-on-Don	Duisburg Rostov-on-Don

Figure 2

xx. Strategic Event Attribution Process (SEAP)



i. European Rowing Championships 2021-2024

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Event	2021	2022	2023	2024
ERCH	VARESE	MUNICH	BLED	<i>Repechage round</i>

Only bidder

Multisport
European
Championships

Only remaining
bidder

Interested so far:
Baegsvaard (DEN)
Trakai (LTU)

Figure 3

Strategic Event Attribution Process (SEAP)



iii. Final bids received for European Rowing Junior and Under 23 Championships 2021-2024

Event	2021	2022	2023	2024
ERJCH	Brive Munich Sabaudia	Sabaudia	Brive Minsk	Brive Minsk
ERU23CH	Repechage Round	Hazewinkel	Krefeld Rostov-on-Don	Duisburg Rostov-on-Don

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Attribute Brive
in 2023 or
2024

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Clear
decision: only
bidders

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Decision
Needed

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