

Minutes

2022 World Rowing Ordinary Congress
26 September 2022



Ordinary Congress, 26 September 2022 - Prague, Czech Republic

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1. Opening of the session

World Rowing President Jean-Christophe Rolland declared the Congress open and greeted the delegates to the 2022 World Rowing Ordinary Congress in Prague, Czech Republic. He also welcomed the Honorary President Denis Oswald, the Council members, the Executive Director Vincent Gaillard to his first Congress in the position, and former Executive Director Matt Smith. Following two years of virtual congresses due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the President expressed his great pleasure to finally meet again in person the delegates, however, appreciating the ongoing challenges associated with the pandemic, informed that the Executive Committee took the decision to organise the Congress, for the very first time, in a hybrid mode. The President introduced the Council members to the delegates, and he presented the apologies of Juergen Steinacker, Chair of the Sports Medicine Commission who, due to professional commitment, couldn't attend the Congress.

Referring to the 2022 World Rowing Championships just completed, the President congratulated the Organising Committee for the excellent organisation. He commented on the great performances and the extremely exciting races. Dusan Machacek, chair of the Organising Committee, thanked the delegates for their support and efforts to make the Championships a success, and congratulated all the athletes who took part.

The President provided general information about the organisation of the Congress. He reminded the delegates that the Congress was being live-streamed on the internet and being recorded. An online electronic voting service was provided by Lumi AGM UK Ltd, to enable secure, secret voting for the delegates in the hybrid environment. A test vote was carried out.

As a tradition at the Congress, the President then asked the delegates to observe a moment of silence in the memory of recently deceased rowing friends and colleagues.

23. AOB

• Sustainability / Freshwater & Plastic

The Executive Director introduced Stuart Orr, Head of the Freshwater Practice at WWF International, who made a presentation to the Congress.

• External commercial partnership/investment

The Executive Director introduced Nic Couchman from Charles Russell Speechlys and Alain Switzer from Deloitte to the Congress. The two guests made a presentation to the Congress.

2. Identification of the delegates and confirmation of their authority

The Executive Director Vincent Gaillard made the roll call. He then informed the delegates that, at that point, there were 62 federations represented, with 42 entitled to three votes and 20 entitled to one vote making a total of 146 votes. A list of those present is annexed to these minutes. The President showed the percentage of female delegates attending the 2022 Congress, he highlighted the gaps between females participating in person and those participating online and mentioned that the hybrid mode should not be used as a tool to circumvent the eligibility rule.

3. Appointment of scrutineers for the period of Congress

The President informed the delegates that the voting system of Lumi was secure and that their representatives will act as the independent scrutineers for the period of the congress and manage the voting. No one from World Rowing will have visibility on the details of the vote, and the result of the voting will be provided by Lumi to the President. In the low likelihood of a failure of the system the voting will be carried out manually.

4. Approval of the minutes of the 2021 Ordinary Congress

The President reminded the delegates that they were asked to submit any comments to the above-mentioned minutes in advance of this Congress. No comments had been received but he invited the delegates to make comments if they wished. No remarks were expressed by the delegates.

The Executive Director held the vote to approve the Ordinary Congress minutes as submitted by the Council. The delegates voted: Yes 121, No 0 with no abstention.

The 2021 Ordinary Congress Minutes were approved.

5. President's report and reports from the Vice President, Treasurer and Executive Director

The President had no additional remarks to complement his report for 2021 but took the opportunity to address the Congress with several updates. The Complete text can be found in attachment 1 to these minutes.

The Vice President, Treasurer, and Executive Director had no additional comments to their 2021 report, and there were no questions from the delegates. The President

proposed one vote for all four reports and there were no objections. The delegates voted to approve these four reports: Yes 120, No 0 with no abstentions.

6. Reports of the Chairs of the specialist commissions

The Chairs of the Commissions had no additional comments to add to their 2021 reports. There were no other comments or questions. The delegates voted to approve these reports in one block vote: Yes 123, No 0 with no abstention.

7. Reports of the Continental Representatives and Co-opted Council Members

The President announced that the Continental Representatives and the Co-opted Council Members had no additional comments to their 2021 reports. The delegates had no questions. The delegates voted to approve the reports in block: Yes 117, No 0 with 0 abstention.

8. Presentation of the financial statements, 2021

The Treasurer, Gerritjan Eggenkamp, presented the accounts including the financial report and the audit report of PriceWaterhouseCoopers, the independent auditors. The Treasurer directed the delegates to the detailed explanations in the Agenda Papers of the four-year budget and he reiterated that 2021 ended with a positive operational result of CHF 317'261, with a total surplus of + 648'070 coming as a result of cost cuttings initiated in 2021. At the end of this accounting period, the total funds amounted to CHF 16'378'311

The President asked if there were any questions for the Treasurer. There were none

9. Auditors' report

The 2021 accounts were presented to the Congress.

10. Approval of the financial statements, 2021

The delegates voted to approve the 2021 financial statements: Yes 117, No 0 with 3 abstentions.

11. Determination of entrance fee and annual subscription

No changes were proposed by the Council and the delegates did not disagree.

12. Budget for the following year, 2023

The Treasurer presented the budget for 2023 which is in line with the original four-year planning, however due to the inflation, he stated that it might be challenging to respect and remain in line with the budget. The budget for

2023 showed estimated expenditures of CHF 5'710'000 with estimated income of CHF 6'111'000. The President asked if there were any questions and there were none. He then asked for a vote of the delegates. The result of voting was Yes 112, No 0 with 6 abstentions. The 2023 budget was approved.

13. Appointment of the external auditors

The President presented the Internal Audit Committee recommendation, in accordance with Art. 33 and Appendix S6, to appoint PriceWaterhouseCoopers from Switzerland as the external auditors for the 2022 accounts. He then asked for a vote of the delegates: Yes 119, No 0 with 1 abstention. PriceWaterhouseCoopers were appointed as the external auditors for the 2022 accounts.

14. Reports on future World Rowing events and Olympic & Paralympic regattas

Updates on the organisation and plan for the 2023 World Rowing Events were provided as follows:

- 2023 World Rowing Championships (Belgrade, SRB) 3- 10 September 2023
- 2024 Olympic and Paralympic games (Paris, FRA) 27 July – 3 August 30 August – 1 September

The delegates asked questions and clarifications.

The Chair of the Events Commission, Eva Szanto informed the delegates of the future events recently attributed by the Council:

- 2024 World Rowing Cup I – Varese, ITA
- 2024 World Rowing Cup III – Poznan, POL
- 2025 World Rowing Under 23 Championships – Poznan, POL
- 2025 World Rowing Under 19 Championships – Trakai, LTU
- 2026 World Rowing Under 23 Championships – Duisburg, GER
- 2026 World Rowing Under 19 Championships – Plovdiv, BUL

15. Reports on future World Rowing events and Olympic & Paralympic regattas

The Council proposes that the 2023 World Rowing Ordinary Congress be held on Monday, 11 September 2023 in Belgrade, Serbia.

There were no other proposals and the President considered this to be approved by the delegates.

16. Attribution of future World Rowing Championships in accordance with Rule 5

- **2025 World Rowing Championships – the candidates were:**
 - Shanghai, CHN
 - Amsterdam, NED

A vote was taken on the Council's recommendation of Shanghai, in accordance with Rule 5, with the following result: Yes 106, No 12, with 9 abstentions.

The Congress attributed the 2025 World Rowing Championships to Shanghai, China.

- **2026 World Rowing Championships**

At the final deadline of the Strategic Event Attribution Process, no final bids were received for the 2026 World Rowing Championships. In accordance with Rule 5b, the Council may directly attribute this event, therefore it has been determined that the Amsterdam Organising Committee, with additional time could elevate the bid submitted and could be considered as a potential candidate for the 2026 World Rowing Championships. As of today, Amsterdam submitted additional documents to support the bid, and only few outstanding elements remain.

A vote was taken on the Council's recommendation to provisionally attribute the 2026 World Rowing Championships to Amsterdam, with the following result: Yes 117, No 6, with 3 abstentions.

The Congress provisionally attributed the 2026 World Rowing Championships to Amsterdam, Netherlands.

17. Reports of Continental Rowing Confederations and other Member Groupings

Reports were received from World Rowing recognised Continental Rowing Confederations:

- COPARE – Americas Rowing Confederation
- ERC – European Rowing Confederation
- ORCON – Oceania Rowing Confederation
- FASA – African Rowing Confederation

And the following Member Groupings:

- Arab Rowing Confederation
- Balkan Rowing Association
- Commonwealth Rowing Association
- Coupe de la Jeunesse – Youth Cup of Europe
- CSAR – South American Rowing Confederation

These reports were included in the Agenda Papers. There were no questions or comments. The President considered the reports to be approved.

18. Reports on applications for affiliation and voting consequent thereon

One request of affiliation was received from Mauritania Rowing Federation. The President confirmed that all documentation was in order. A vote was held on this application for membership with the following result: Yes 121, No 3, with no abstention.

The Mauritania Rowing Federation has been added as a member of World Rowing – the total number of member national rowing federations is now 157.

19. Reconsideration or confirmation of decisions (ref. Art.30) taken by the Council, in accordance with the provisions of Art.32 and paragraph 3.2 and 3.3 of Art.45, or by the Executive Committee, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 3.4 of Art.51

No requests had been received at the deadline.

20. Council and Executive Committee elections in accordance with Art. 39 and 49

Elections were staged in accordance with Article 39. The President reminded the Congress that the process for the Athletes Commission's election had changed as approved by the 2020 quadrennial Congress (Statutes – Appendix S5).

1. Chair of the Competitive Rowing Commission

Candidate: Rosie Mayglothling (GBR)

Rosie Mayglothling was elected with the following result: Yes 121, No 0, with 3 abstentions.

2. Chair of the Events Commission

Candidate: Eva Szanto (HUN)

Eva Szanto was elected with the following result: Yes 122, No 0, with 2 abstentions.

3. Chair of the Masters Rowing Commission

Candidate: Ronald Chen (USA)

Ronal Chen was elected with the following result: Yes 116, No 3, with 7 abstentions.

4. Chair of the Para Rowing Commission

Candidate: Rebecca Thomas Orr (CAN)

Rebecca Thomas Orr was elected with the following result: Yes 119, No 3, with 3 abstentions.

5. Chair of the Umpiring Commission

Candidate: Patrick Rombaut (BEL)

Patrick Rombaut was elected with the following result: Yes 105, No 15, with 3 abstentions.

6. Chair of the Equipment & Technology Commission

Candidate: Mathias Binder (SUI)

Mathias Binder was elected to fill the casual vacancy with the following result: Yes 117, No 3, with 6 abstentions.

The President congratulated all members for their re-elections and welcomed the new member Mathias Binder to the World Rowing Council. President Jean-Christophe Rolland expressed his gratitude and thanks to Equipment & Technology Commission Chair, Paul Fuchs and to Council member Pat Lambert, former Chair of the Event Promotion, for their remarkable commitment and dedication to FISA and to our sport.

A tribute to former Executive Director Matt Smith was made by World Rowing Honorary President Denis Oswald. The Congress unanimously agreed to the Council proposal to name Matt Smith Honorary Council Member in accordance with Article 43 of the World Rowing Statutes.

21. Specific proposals to an existing agenda item from the Member Federations, the Council or the Executive Committee

No preproposals were received by the due date.

22. Other additional agenda items proposed by the Member Federations, the Council or the Executive Committee

- **2025 to 2028 Voting Rights Determination and Membership**

Due to the continued impact of Covid-19 on participation at 2021 and 2022 World Rowing Events, the Council proposes that the decision on the calculation of the 2025 2028 voting rights be postponed to the 2023 Ordinary Congress. The Governance Working Group (GWG) will be asked to make a proposal to Council ahead of the 2023 Ordinary Congress. As part of the GWG review of the Statutes in preparation for the 2025 Quadrennial Congress, the GWG will propose an adapted calculation model and consider the inclusion of Coastal Championships and Continental Event.

- **Rule 22 – Lightweight Averaging**

The Council has decided to end this project. The SMC will continue its research for the collection of relevant data for the best interest of the athletes.

- **Rule 25 – World Championship Programme**

As participation has been significantly disrupted, no changes will be proposed until the 2025 Congress.

- **Rule 29 – Innovations**

As participation has been significantly disrupted, no changes will be proposed until discussions with MFs and a new proposal at the 2024/2025 Quadrennial Congress.

- **Rule 38 – Advertising Rules**

As participation has been significantly disrupted, no changes will be proposed until discussions with MFs and a new proposal at the 2024/2025 Quadrennial Congress.

23. Any other business

the following points were addressed:

- British Rowing asked for clarification with regard to the Transgender Policy in accordance with Rule 13. The Executive Director confirmed that while World Rowing has a set rule in place, the internal dialogue around this complex and sensitive subject is ongoing and subject to constant review within the Sports Medicine Commission.

- Denmark Rowing Federation asked for clarification following the implementation of the new event and the new age category which will be introduced at the 2023 World Rowing Indoor Championships. The Chair of the Indoor Rowing Commission, Filip Ljubicic, provided explanations.
- The delegation from the Uganda Rowing Federation highlighted the positive implications of the Indoor Championships hybrid format for development countries with limited resources.

Closing

The President thanked the delegates for their excellent co-operation during the Congress, those who joined in person and those who attended virtually. He also expressed his gratitude to the World Rowing staff for their preparation of the Congress, Lumi for the voting platform, and the interpreters for their excellent work.

The President declared the 2022 World Rowing Ordinary Congress closed.



Jean-Christophe Rolland
President



Vincent Gaillard
Executive Director

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Agenda Item 5 - President's Report

Additional remarks from the President

Dear delegates,

Let me start this report with some positive notes.

2022, a special year for our organisation

Indeed 2022 marks the 130th anniversary of FISA. Five years have already gone since we celebrated the 125th anniversary. We haven't planned any specific celebration this year, but few events are scheduled in Trieste, Italy and I thank the organisers and the Italian Rowing Federation (FIC) for the initiative. Our Honorary President Denis Oswald will represent us at a celebration on October 15.

This year we also celebrated the 60th anniversary of the first World Rowing Championships. It was in Lucerne in 1962 that FISA formally staged the World Championships. Dominik Keller, our former President Thomas Keller's son, recently donated to FISA the very first prototype of the World Championships medal.

2022 also marks the 20th anniversary of the first World Para Rowing Championships, held in Seville, Spain and, as you know, long fully integrated in the World Championships.

Photo FISA Congress 1922

Let me share with you this photo. These are your predecessors, dear delegates. 100 years ago!

So many anniversaries certainly remind us that time is flying. Time is flying and the world is changing. As a sport, part of a very competitive and challenging environment, we do know that we must adapt and evolve if we want our sport to last and ensure our future.

Russia - Ukraine

Let me start with the situation related to the war in Ukraine. This has become a quite long story now, a very bad story unfortunately. It is lasting longer than expected, and with no winners. Allow me to express our deep compassion for the Ukrainian people. This war has significant impacts on the geopolitical scene, and on the world of Sports in particular. Following the invasion of Ukraine by Russia, the Executive Committee decided to suspend the participation of athletes and officials from Russia and Belarus in our international events. This decision was taken at the time, in the context of the breach of the Olympic Truce, and in line with sports organisations and the recommendation of the IOC.

I have already done it on several occasions, but I would like to formally express, in front of the Congress, my gratitude and thanks on behalf of World Rowing and our community to the Member Federations for their fantastic and timely actions of solidarity to help and support our rowing friends from Ukraine. You have welcome athletes and their families, you have

offered safe shelter and staged training camps, and Ukrainian athletes have benefitted from your facilities and resources... Our thanks go also to the Organising Committees who have provided accommodation and the best conditions so that Ukrainian rowers were able to take part in the competitions. This has been simply exceptional and thanks to your efforts rowers from Ukraine have been able to safely train abroad, compete at the World championships, and finally perform with great performances and podiums. As you know, we launched a fundraising campaign some months ago and raised more than 67'000 CHF that have been allocated to the support of the Ukrainian Paralympic and Olympic teams. We have been coordinating with the President of the Ukrainian Rowing Federation. As you can imagine, the demands have been significant.

With the war still going on, I have heard the concerns you have as to how to continue to such support. This is terrible and I do understand the difficulties to sustain the efforts. This is fully understandable. All International Federations, and Nationals Federations are having the same challenges. Let me say that the IOC has contributed to a special fund that has now reached 7,5mio US \$. This is managed by Sergei Bubka, President of the Ukrainian NOC and IOC member. With the situation ongoing, this donation will benefit the Olympic and Paralympic teams and the athletes preparing for Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games. The number of athletes on the list will be low. Unfortunately, the world of sport cannot take the place of the Governments in the support of refugees.

You are aware that the Russian Rowing Federation is challenging the Executive Committee decision to suspend the participation of their athletes to World Rowing events to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS). Their case has two main arguments. Firstly, they argue that the Executive Committee is not the legitimate body to have made this decision as they consider the decision being de facto a suspension of the Member Federation and only the Congress has the authority for such a decision. Secondly, they argue that the decision goes against art 2.6 of the declaration of principles of World Rowing statutes related to non-discrimination, as the reason to not allow participation is based on citizenship only. I will not go into details and make further comments as the process is going on. The Hearing Panel will meet on November 23.

Allow me to clarify that the Russian and the Belarus Rowing Federations are not suspended. You can notice that we don't have such a point on the Agenda for today, nor have we received the request to reconsider the Executive Committee decision, under Agenda Item 19, and therefore the Executive Committee decision will be considered as endorsed by the Congress.

I would like to mention that we are not the only organisation to be challenged to CAS. Approximately 55 sports organisations are facing such a legal process. What is important, not to

say crucial, is consistency and unity in the world of sport. It would be a disaster if each organisation had its own approach. Having athletes and officials from the two countries could undermine the integrity and safety of the events for all its participants.

I have already expressed our position to avoid any interference from politics as a principle. This is not new and has always been the case in our organisation. This principle remains.

In this particular case however, the initial and fundamental point was the breach of the Olympic truce signed by all UN members.

The world of sport is facing a challenge that was recently expressed by the IOC President : the growing interference from governments in the sport. There are more and more cases where governments put pressure on their National Federations when it comes to participation at international events, and this is not acceptable. With the growing number of conflicts in the world, the world of sports would suffer from this. We could be back to a time of boycotts. It is not acceptable to put these responsibilities on the shoulders of the athletes. Politicians and governments must take their own responsibility. Needless to repeat the role of sport in society: Sport is about building bridges, not walls. One of the key and Fundamental Principles of the Olympic Charter is the concept of contributing to building a peaceful and better world through sport.

Covid19 and post-Covid Era

We have been facing the Covid-19 crisis with the many challenges you all know. I won't go into details and repeat what you already know, it was clear from the beginning that the efforts the world was required to make would have had long-term impacts. We can see the impacts right now, but we are only beginning to understand the far-reaching consequences of the crisis around the world. The pandemic and the current complex geopolitical situation we are facing have affected all areas of society, including, in a significant way, the world of sport. Global inflation has increased and is projected to remain elevated for a long while. Food and energy price increases as well as supply-demand imbalances caused inflation expectations to reach eight percent in advanced economies and six percent in emerging market and developing economies this year. This is the context, the environment we are living in. More than ever, we need to take a closer look at our events and to make necessary adjustments to the new realities.

Earlier, you had the opportunity to hear more about the commercial and marketing landscape. The necessity to evolve our approach as our business model has definitely come to an end and is no longer appropriate to the market and the future. The Executive Committee has agreed to support the project presented to you and to investigate how best to move to another model and evaluate the appetite for investors in our sport. We know the great potential and the opportunities but appreciate at the same time the difficulties. There is no guarantee, and it will take time, but it is essential we take the steps necessary and that is being done.

This will bring changes as we continuously challenge ourselves to evolve and improve what can be improved. This is essential for the promotion of our sport and its development.

Cost and complexity are a challenge for the organisation of our events. For the Organising Committees, for the teams, for all

of us. To echo what I have heard from some of you during the past few days, eight days for the World championships is a concern in the current context and will be even more difficult in the future.

One of the areas to reconsider is our programme. As you know, we are due to review Rule 25 related to the World Championships events. You will certainly agree that 29 events are a lot. This programme has been built based on accepted sports principles, for example, racing once a day only. Eight days are obviously the outcome of an equation of multiple entries. So, some of these principles might have to be challenged, or at least reviewed, having in mind the context of today I have described.

We will also broaden the discussion, the debate, and the reflection to better address all the challenges, as the programme is just one part of the issues. In that respect the Council has decided to launch a project review to understand what the necessary and possible changes or adaptations are. We are currently defining the process and the scope of this review. You know what has been and remains my approach when it comes to such a project. We start with you, the Member Federations, with the relevant stakeholders, so that we can hear your views and perspectives in the review. You will be updated on the progress on regular basis. The intention is to complete this exercise by the end of 2024 for a final decision at the 2025 Quadrennial Congress.

I appreciate this is a challenging context, however we are optimistic. I do believe that we have fantastic opportunities, and we will end up stronger as we embrace and are ready for the future.

Olympic Strategy

I have presented on many occasions our vision and the related strategy regarding our position in the Olympic movement and our Olympic programme. Here again, let me go straight to the point and not go back too far in time. The evaluation process led by the IOC is on-going. We have completed and submitted a technical questionnaire in June related to our programme, specifically coastal events. As you know, the IOC Executive Board will make the decision on the disciplines in Q3 2023. I can only say that we have a strong case, and as far as the tangible elements we control, we can be reasonably confident. But there are also other factors. To summarise... no guarantees of course but we will continue working with the IOC .

We have quite recently been included in the 2023 World Beach Games in Bali with our beach sprint format. This is great news as it demonstrates the interest for the discipline. The multi-sport organisation is led by ANOC, the association of the National Olympic Committees. Three events: Woman solo, Man solo and the Mixed 2x for a total of 80 athletes. You have recently received the qualification system which has developed and approved in a tight timeframe. It is in essence quite similar to the Olympic Qualification system, but with two steps only, the Beach Sprint finals to be held in Saundersfoot, GBR (Wales) in October and four Continental qualification events. We will of course liaise with our Continental Confederations regarding the planning of these continental events. I take the opportunities to thank the Confederations for their work on their continent. It is essential that we continue and even reinforce our cooperation.

Let me also mention our application to be part of the Commonwealth Games. Considering the membership of the organisation, coastal rowing makes a lot of sense as many countries have access to the sea. We expect, particularly for this accessibility aspect, that the Games will express an openness to the inclusion of Coastal, whereby the door has been closed for some time now to classic rowing.

I would like to take the opportunity again to clarify a point here. I have heard some concerns about Coastal or Indoor being seen as a threat to classic rowing. I see this certainly not as a threat but as an opportunity. Indeed, our vision is to expand our sport, to develop and grow our sport with Coastal and Indoor, while solidifying the strong and historical position of classic rowing.

Governance:

ASOIF has lately published its 4th Governance Review. In short, the exercise consists of a self-assessment that is then moderated by an independent external expert, made from a questionnaire consisting of 50 questions in the five following domains, particularly essential in governance: Transparency, Integrity, Democracy, Sports Development & Solidarity, Control Mechanisms. All Olympic International Federations are doing the same exercise. Progress has been made from the last assessment. We have a strong position in many aspects, while there is still some room for improvement in other areas. I can say that World Rowing is recognised as a leading international sports federation on gender equality matters, with a 50% female representation on both the Executive Committee and Council. We are recognised for our commitment to diversity and inclusion with the Gender Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Commission (GEDI) and in ensuring that the athlete voice is at the centre of its decisions. Not many organisations have the Athletes' Commission Chair as a full voting member of the Executive Committee, and now an election process to determine membership of that Commission. Meanwhile, critical safeguarding efforts have continued over recent years with significant work around education and awareness.

I can tell you that we will continue to demonstrate our commitment for continuous improvement to good governance standards and performance. In these areas, may I encourage you to also engage the exercise. We can all benefit from progress in governance.

Talking about the elections in the AC, I am pleased to announce to the Congress the names of the elected members. My congratulations go to Emma TWIGG (NZL), Mindaugas GRISKONIS (LTU), Niels VAN ZANDWEGHE (BEL), Benjamin PRITCHARD (GBR) – Para. A fifth athlete will be elected at the Coastal World Rowing Championships. The other five commission members will be appointed by the Council.

New Executive Director

After 26 years in the role, Matt Smith completed the handover to Vincent Gaillard on January 1st. I must say that our new Executive Director has embarked on the role at full speed, investing countless extra hours to understand our sport, to know the people and where we come from. I have to say that we haven't been spared the challenges and the difficulties. At the same time, we have also had some evolution in the staff that also has led to a review of the organisation. We wish Vincent all the best in his mission. The Executive Committee, the Council, and the staff of course are in total support.

2022 Season

My last point will relate to the 2022 season. One of our first mission is to ensure that our athletes can compete in an appropriate environment. Despite the difficult context we had an excellent season, with fantastic World championships last week. I would like to express my gratitude and thanks to all the contributors who have made this possible.

- To the Organising Committees of the respective events and the authorities of the countries, local and national, who have continued to support the staging of the competitions.
- To you, the Member Federations who have entered the regattas despite the obstacles like travel and logistical challenges, and additional costs.
- To our technical team and the staff

We look forward to the remaining events in Saundersfoot, GBR for the Coastal World Championships and the World Rowing Beach Sprints.

This concludes the additional updates I wanted to make today.

Thank you.

Jean-Christophe Rolland
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2022 WORLD ROWING CONGRESS ATTENDANCE

MFs	NAME	Last Name	Capacity	Attendance	Votes
ALG	Chaouki	Dries	Voting delegate	p	3
AUS	Rachael	Kininmonth	Delegate	p	0
AUS	Paul	Thompson	Voting delegate	p	3
AUT	Norbert	Lambing	Voting delegate	v	3
AZE	Farhad	Aliyev	Voting delegate	p	1
BAN	Molla Mohammad	Abu Kawser	Voting delegate	p	1
BAR	Tonya	Rock	Voting delegate	p	1
BEL	Gwenda	Stevens	Voting delegate	p	1
BER	Andre	Perez	Voting Delegate	v	1
BRA	Marcos	Polchowicz	Voting delegate	p	3
BUL	Teodor	Andreev	Voting delegate	p	1
CAN	Terry	Dillon	Delegate	p	0
CAN	Carol	Purcer	Voting delegate	p	3
CHN	Chunxin	Chen	Delegate	v	0
CHN	Aijie	Liu	Voting Delegate	v	3
CRO	Zoran	Emersic	Voting Delegate	v	3
CZE	Ondrej	Sebek	Voting delegate	p	3
DEN	Morten	Juel Hansen	Delegate	v	0
DEN	Conny	Sørensen	Voting delegate	p	3
EGY	Noorhan	Hussein	Delegate	v	0
EGY	Mostafa	Ei Attar	Voting delegate	p	3
ESP	Asuncion	Loriente	Voting delegate	p	3
EST	Robert	Vali	Voting delegate	p	3
FRA	Sébastien	VIEILLEDENT	Delegate	p	0
FRA	Myriam	GOUDET	Delegate	v	0
FRA	Christian	VANDENBERGHE	Voting delegate	p	3
GBR	Louise	Kingsley	Delegate	p	0
GBR	Alastair	Marks	Delegate	p	0
GBR	Mark	Davies	Voting delegate	p	3
GER	Moritz	Petri	Delegate	v	0
GER	Katharina	Von Kodolitsch	Voting delegate	p	3
GRE	Ioannis	Vrampas	Voting delegate	p	3
HAI	Kerby	Desamour	Voting delegate	v	1
HKG	Vick	YEUNG	Delegate	v	0
HKG	Kong	Wan	Voting Delegate	v	3
HUN	Tamás	Varga	Delegate	p	0
HUN	Ottó	Cseh	Voting delegate	p	3
ISR	Eli	Szabo	Voting Delegate	v	3
IRI	Afshin	Farzam	Delegate	p	0
IRI	Alireza	Sohrabian Moghaddam	Voting delegate	p	3
IRL	Martin	Hogan	Delegate	p	0
IRL	Neville	Maxwell	Delegate	p	0
IRL	Michelle	Carpenter	Voting delegate	p	3
IRQ	Abdul Salam	Dawood	Voting delegate	p	1
ITA	Michelangelo	Crispi	Delegate	p	0
ITA	Ambra	Di Miceli	Delegate	p	0
ITA	Giuseppe	Abbagnale	Voting delegate	p	3
JPN	Toichi	Sakata	Delegate	v	0

JPN	Naoko	Kuroda	Delegate	v	0
JPN	Takao	Senda	Voting delegate	v	3
KOR	Seung Hoon	Han	Voting delegate	p	3
KSA	Yousaf	Jelaidan	Delegate	p	0
KSA	Shereen	Abulhassan	Voting delegate	p	1
LTU	Saulius	Ritter	Delegate	p	0
LTU	Inga	Daukantienė	Delegate	p	0
LTU	Mindaugas	Griskonis	Voting delegate	p	3
MAR	Abderrahman	Mouadden	Voting Delegate	v	3
MEX	Arge	Diez	Voting Delegate	v	3
MON	Jean-Louis	Antognelli	Voting delegate	v	1
MYA	Mon Mon	Khaing	Delegate	v	0
MYA	Ohn	Myint	Voting Delegate	V	1
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NOR	Anniken	Ellingsen	Delegate	v	0
NOR	Thorvald	Jakobsen	Voting delegate	p	3
NZL	Gerald	Dwyer	Delegate	p	0
NZL	Judith	Hamilton	Voting delegate	p	3
PAK	ZAHEER	AHMAD	Voting delegate	v	1
PER	Sergio	Viacava	Voting Delegate	v	3
PHI	Patrick	Gregorio	Voting delegate	v	1
POL	Maria	Wolff	Delegate	p	0
POL	Adam	Korol	Voting delegate	p	3
POR	Luis	Teixeira	Voting delegate	v	3
RSA	Sean	Kerr	Voting delegate	v	3
SLO	Vladimir	Meglic	Delegate	p	0
SLO	Eva	Skufca	Delegate	p	0
SLO	Jernej	Slivnik	Voting delegate	p	3
SRB	Dusan	Kovacevic	Voting delegate	p	1
SRI	Pasan	Ranaweera	Voting delegate	V	1
SUI	Christian	Stofer	Delegate	p	0
SUI	Germaine	Bauer	Delegate	v	0
SUI	Neville	Tanzer	Voting delegate	p	3
SWE	Anders	Joelsson	Voting Delegate	v	3
THA	Santitwong	Wongsaint	Delegate	v	0
THA	Wimonard	Bootsathien	Delegate	v	0
THA	Chainarong	Charoenruk	Voting Delegate	v	3
TPE	Tao-Hung	Yu	Voting delegate	v	1
TUN	Fayçal	Soula	Voting delegate	p	3
UAE	Saif	Al Mheiri	Voting delegate	p	1
UGA	Batenga	Nakisozi	Voting delegate	p	1
UGA	Hamza	Kahwa	Voting delegate	v	1
UKR	Andrii	Vingranovskii	Voting delegate	p	3
USA	Nobuhisa	Ishizuka	Delegate	p	
USA	Amanda	Kraus	Voting delegate	p	3
VIE	HONG HANH	DUONG THI	Delegate	v	0
VIE	HAI DUONG	Nguyen	Voting Delegate	v	1
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