

Minutes

2025 World Rowing Quadrennial Congress
Lausanne, Switzerland
14 & 15 March 2025



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WORLD ROWING QUADRENNIAL CONGRESS, 14-15 MARCH 2025

Friday, 14 March

PART I – Statutory Agenda

1. Opening of the session

World Rowing President, Jean-Christophe Rolland, declared the Congress officially open and welcomed the delegates to the 2025 World Rowing Quadrennial Congress in Lausanne, Switzerland.

President Rolland extended a special welcome to the Executive Committee and Honorary World Rowing President Denis Oswald and congratulated him on the recent appointment as “Chevalier de la Légion d’Honneur”, France’s highest distinction, awarded for outstanding service to the nation.

He also acknowledged the presence of Council members, observers, guests, and those following the livestream online.

World Rowing President emphasised the importance and uniqueness of the Quadrennial Congress, noting that it represents the sole occasion within the four-year cycle during which the Statutes and the Rules of Racing may be amended. He expressed his honour in welcoming the delegates to Lausanne, the Olympic Capital and home of the World Rowing headquarters, looking forward to constructive dialogues and valuable opportunities to connect and engage among the global Rowing community.

Initially planned to be held in Seville, the Quadrennial Congress was moved to Lausanne and President Rolland expressed his thanks and gratitude to Lausanne Olympic Capital foundation and the IOC for their valuable support in hosting the COngress,

President Rolland introduced a welcoming video message from the IOC President, Thomas Bach, who was unable to attend the Congress due to the upcoming Presidential elections taking place in Greece.

Following President Bach’s video message, World Rowing President, invited on stage the IOC Sports Director, Kit McConnell, who delivered a speech to the audience.

President Rolland thanked the IOC Sport Director for the great success of Paris 2024 Olympic Games and the constructive collaboration and dialogue between World Rowing and the IOC. He paid tribute to the excellent work he made over the past 12 years in the position and wished him all the very best for the new role as Chief of Sport of Brisbane 32 OCOG.

President Rolland introduced the Council members and presented apologies from Jacomine Ravensbergen.

President Rolland moved to some logistical and house-keeping points, and provided general information about

the programme and the organisation of the Congress over the two days. He informed that the electronic voting service provided by Lumi AGM UK and successfully implemented over the past 6 years, will again be used to ensure secure and secret voting for the delegates.

Honorary President, Denis Oswald, paid tribute to former Council member Kurt Gelbert, who passed away at the end of 2024. As a tradition at the Congress, the delegates were invited to observe a minute of silence in memory of recently deceased Rowing friends and colleagues.

2. Identification of the delegates and confirmation of their authority

The Executive Director, Vincent Gaillard, proceeded with the roll call. He then informed the delegates that at that point in time, 62 Member Federations (MFs) were present. 36 MFs entitled to three votes, 4 MFs entitled to two votes, 20 MFs entitled to one vote and 2 MFs with no voting rights. This resulted in a total of 136 votes. Therefore, 69 votes would be necessary for an absolute majority and 90 for a two-third majority if all votes were cast. This was the status at the time of the roll call. The Executive Director also welcomed the Continental Rowing Confederations and Member Groupings in the room. A list of those present is attached to these minutes.

President Rolland informed the delegates that due to the suspension of the Serbian Rowing Federation, the Serbian Olympic Committee delegation was present at the Congress with no voting rights.

The President presented the number of female delegates attending the 2025 Congress as an implementation of the eligibility rule; he emphasised that no progress had been made in the past few years and encouraged MFs to enhance female representation across their delegation.

President Rolland reminded that voting rights for the period 2025 – 2028 were exceptionally approved at the 2023 Ordinary Congress. The calculation has been published according to the Statutes at the end of 2024, and for the very first time, the new voting rights will be implemented at this Congress.

3. Appointment of scrutineers for the period of Congress

The President reminded that the role of the scrutineers was to count the votes and that since the implementation of the secured and independent electronic voting system, Lumi acts as the independent scrutineer for the period of the Congress.

4. Specific Proposals from the Member Federations, the Council, or the Executive Committee

World Rowing President opened the session by emphasising the significance of the Quadrennial Congress, which is the sole opportunity within the four-year cycle to formally review and decide on changes to the Statutes and Rules of Racing and as such an essential piece of governance to adapt the sport and the organisation to a fast-changing environment. In that respect he insisted on the collective and individual responsibilities to make them fit for the future.

He acknowledged the substantial contributions of the two dedicated Working Groups, respectively focused on the Statutes and the Rules of Racing. He extended his sincere thanks to the Governance Working Group, chaired by Annamarie Phelps and consisting of Algirdas Raslanas, Ronald Chen, Tricia Smith, Jean-Christophe Rolland, Vincent Gaillard and Ludovica Caprino. He also expressed sincere recognition to the Rules Working Group chaired by Kristopher Grudt and consisting of John Edger, Patrick Rombaut, Lee Spear, Eva Szanto, Mike Tanner and Prateek Gumbar.

The President acknowledged that it had taken the Working Groups and the Council much work and discussions over the past four years to prepare the proposals which had been submitted to the delegates, using internal expertise and consulting with MFs, coaches, specialists, athletes and other sports organisations. He acknowledged that some proposed changes may be controversial and stated that while there may be no perfect or universally accepted solutions to the challenges faced, the collective responsibility of Congress is to adapt and evolve in the best interest of the sport.

The President noted that the proposed revisions included a few significant changes and a large number of minor amendments. The key changes were shared in advance with MFs through a comprehensive consultation process, which included explanatory videos, conference calls, and supporting documentation.

World Rowing President also informed that per the statutory timeline, five proposals from different MFs were received in due time. The President explained that these proposals would be presented and discussed during the review of the corresponding Articles and Rules.

The President outlined the process to be followed and stressed that day one (Friday) of Congress will focus on presentations and open discussion. Delegates were encouraged to engage, ask questions, and share their perspectives. Voting on the proposed changes would take place on day two (Saturday) and would be based on the discussions held on Friday. If no reactions from MFs, the proposed changes will be considered accepted, and the voting will be performed in blocks. If any of the delegates require a vote on a specific item, such a request should be made on Friday.

He explained that any decisions taken would have immediate effect (after the conclusion of the Congress) unless decided otherwise. He also added that Council will reserve the right to make small textual amendments,

if necessary, to correct mistakes, typos or make any improvements in translation, numbering, formatting, etc, after Congress.

The President asked if there were any questions from the delegates regarding the general running of the Congress. There were none.

4.a. Proposed Changes to the Statutes and related Bye-Laws

The Chair of the Governance Working Group, Annamarie Phelps, reviewed the proposed changes to the Articles and Bye-Laws. Delegates asked questions, shared opinions and sought clarification.

Specific vote requests for the voting session on Saturday were made for new article 47, following the proposal received from AUS, CAN, NZL, and USA, and published in the Agenda Papers.

See Day 2 Proposed Changes to the Statutes and Related Bye-Laws.

4.b. Proposed Changes to the Statute Appendices (Bye-Laws)

A review of the key changes was also made for this section.

4.c. Proposed Changes to the Rules of Racing and related Bye-Law

President Rolland asked the Chair of the Rules Working Group, Kris Grudt, to review the proposed changes to the Rules and Appendices. KG emphasised that one of the major changes is the creation of the new stand-alone rules for the Coastal, Beach Sprints and Indoor disciplines. A few delegates intervened to give comments or opinions on the proposals.

The relevant delegates who submitted proposals for inclusion in the Agenda Papers were given the floor. The submitted proposals can be found on the Agenda Papers.

Specific vote requests for the voting session on Saturday were made for the new Rules 13, 14, 26, 87, New Appendix R6 and the two new stand-alone Coastal and Indoor Rules and Bye-Laws.

4.d. Proposed Changes to the Rules Appendices (Event regulations and Rules Bye-laws)

Again, a review of the key changes was made for this section.

PART II – Other Governance Items

1. Council elections in accordance with Art. 39 and 49

a. Chair of the Umpiring Commission

World Rowing's Umpiring Chair and former Executive Committee member, Patrick Rombaut, has formally announced his withdrawal. The resulting casual vacancy was announced in due time, and in accordance with World Rowing procedures, the Agenda Papers includes the submitted documentation from the candidates:

- Angela Alonso Fernandez of Spain and;
- Kristopher Grudt from United States of America

Voting was conducted - Angela Alonso Fernandez, nominated by ESP was elected as the Chair of World Rowing's Umpiring Commission. 78 votes, 58.35%.

A chart describing the vote and showing the full outcome of the results is attached to these minutes.

World Rowing President congratulated Anegla Alonso Fernandez and welcomed her to the Council. He thanked Kristopher Grudt for his dedication and contributions.

He also expressed his sincere appreciation to Patrick Rombaut for his terrific contribution to the Umpiring Commission, Council and Executive Committee.

This ended the discussions on Friday, 14 March 2025.

Day two - Saturday, 15 March

The President opened the session and welcomed the delegates to the second day of the 2025 World Rowing Quadrennial Congress. He informed that an Extraordinary Council meeting was convened in the morning to discuss the inputs and comments received from the delegates during day one of the Congress and to finalise the voting motions.

The Executive Director proceeded with the roll call for day two. He informed the delegates that at that point, 62 Member Federations were present.

World Rowing President was pleased to announce that, having acknowledged comments raised by the lack of simultaneous translation, a test with the service provider Kudoo will be carried out. Delegates were provided with the information to use the interpretation App available in nine languages.

The Congress finished the review of all Statutes, Rules, Bye-Laws and regulations on Friday, which allowed voting to take place on Saturday as anticipated. Delegates were reminded that a vote on the Statutes or the Rules requires a two-thirds majority of valid votes cast to be adopted while the votes on Bye-Laws, Appendices, or Event Regulations require an absolute majority (more than 50%) of valid votes cast. This would be specified at the time of each vote.

The voting took place, and a chart describing the vote and showing the outcome of the results is attached to these minutes. Ahead of the voting session, the Executive Director informed that out of the 62 MFs, 36 MFs were entitled to three votes, 4 MFs entitled to two votes, 20 MFs entitled to one vote

and 2 MFs with no voting rights. This resulted in a total of 136 votes. Therefore, 69 votes would be necessary for an absolute majority and 90 for a two-thirds majority if all votes were cast. This was the status at the time of the roll call ahead of the voting session.

1. Proposed Changes to the Statutes and Related Bye-Laws

- **Article 47** - Having heard the discussion held on Friday, AUS, CAN, NZL, and USA submitted an amended proposal to Council.

Amended proposal

In the event there are fewer than three continental regions represented on the Executive Committee, additional member(s) of the Council shall be co-opted to the Executive Committee.

Only Council members shall be eligible for co-option. Note: they may be either a Continental Representatives, Commission Chair or a co-opted Council member.

After having carefully reviewed the proposal, the Council proposed to the MFs to grant authority to the 2025 Ordinary Congress to amend this specific article, to allow more time for discussion on such a sensitive matter. A proposal which has been supported by the signatories. Yes, 129 (97.73%), No, 3 (2.27%), Abstain, 4.

2. Proposed Changes to the Rules of Racing, Rules Appendices and related Bye-Law

- **Rule 13** - Men's and Women's Events- GBR submitted a revised version of its proposal – President Rolland informed that following the discussion held on Friday, the signatories of the proposal for the amendment of Rule 13 met with World Rowing specialist commission. Juergen Steinacker was asked to present the outcome of the discussion. On a competitive level, it was necessary to provide certainty on sex categorisation to maintain the integrity of World Rowing events, to protect the female class and ensure equal opportunities. The following wording was proposed: "World Rowing will maintain two separate sex categories for rowing events: women, for rowers who are eligible under this Rule to compete in a women's event, and men, for rowers who are not eligible to compete in a women's event. This shall be an open category".

The signatories, after reviewing the Council's proposal, withdrew their proposal.

- **Rule 14 – Mixed Events** - The Chair of the Rules Working Group presented the wording of the proposed new Rule 14.
 - A mixed crew is a crew that contains a proportion of rowers who are eligible to compete in a women's event.
 - International Regattas – Crews competing in mixed events at International Regattas shall contain both rowers eligible to compete in a women's event and men, excluding the coxswain, in such proportion as shall be stipulated by the relevant organising committee.

- World Rowing Championships – For crews competing in mixed crew, the proportion of rowers who are eligible to compete in a women's event shall be 50 per cent of the rowers of the crew, and the proportion of rowers who are not eligible to compete in a women's event shall be 50 per cent (excluding the coxswain).
- **Rule 26 – World Rowing Championship Regattas Event Programme** - An amendment to the received proposal was submitted from the signatories, which was reviewed by Council. The Chair of the Events Commission, Eva Szanto, presented the recommendation to the delegates. Following consultation with all World Rowing stakeholders through the Strategic Events & Calendar Review (SECR) project, a new World Championships programme was proposed which sees the introduction of Para-Rowing events (PR3 Single Sculls) at the World Rowing Under 23 Championships and of a Mixed Eight (made of already competing athletes) in the senior World Rowing Championship programme, with the possibility for the Council to add other Mixed events. Eva Szanto emphasised that this recommendation is also in light of World Rowing's proposal to the IOC for the event programme at the Olympic Games, Los Angeles 2028, including the introduction of a Mixed Eight.
World Rowing President explained that delegates will be asked to select one of the two proposals, the one from the signatories and the one from the Council. After this preliminary vote, a second vote to reach the two-thirds majority will be conducted to approve the selected proposal.
- **Rule 87 – Exceptional Cases** – The Council, after having reviewed the MFs' proposal, confirmed its willingness to stick to the original proposed wording. As for Rule 26, Congress will have to select one of the two proposals to be voted on.
- **Appendix R6 – Commercial Publicity, Sponsorship, Advertising and Identification** - Following questions received on Friday on the proposal and the possible implications of the new Rule for the fore deck and aft-deck, the Chair of the Rules Working Group clarified that the Council proposes to start implementing the new rule only as of 2026.

PART II – Other Governance Items

1. Determination of entrance fee and annual subscription / 2025-2028 period

President Rolland reminded the delegates that at the 2024 Ordinary Congress, the decision regarding the increase of World Rowing's Annual membership fees had been postponed to the Quadrennial Congress, yet a large majority of members voted to approve the principle of an increase pending revision.

He informed that following this approval, a revised proposal had been developed by a dedicated working group, chaired and led by Annamarie Phelps, Tricia Smith and consisting of Victoria Aguirregomezcorra, Arge Diez, Kim Fay Ho, Mehdi Garidi, Christian Stofer, Vincent Gaillard and Pat Lambert. The proposal was published on 28 February, subsequent consultation with MFs over different continental conference calls.

Annamarie Phelps and Tricia Smith were asked to present the proposal to the delegates. They emphasised that different aspects and situations were taken into consideration, particularly having heard the concerns expressed about the increase from the various federations. Annamarie Phelps informed that the working groups has agreed upon a staggered approach to reach the proposed membership fee with a maximum of 100% increase per year, the gradual implementation allowing for more time to adjust to the increased fees.

The full proposal can be found on the World Rowing [website](#).

The voting took place. The Executive Director informed that at the time, out of the 62 MFs, 54 MFs with voting rights were present, 32 MFs were entitled to three votes, 4 MFs were entitled to two votes, and 18 MFs entitled to one vote. This resulted in a total of 122 votes. Therefore, 62 votes would be necessary for an absolute majority if all votes were cast. The MF Membership Fee increase proposal has been approved. Yes, 64 (54.70%), No, 53 (45.30%), Abstain, 4.

2. Membership update

- Asian Rowing Federation - Ahead of the 2023 ordinary Congress, after having received a submission from ARF, the Council in accordance with article 18 reviewed the application and decided to recommend to the Congress to approve ARF subject to the receipt of the only document missing from their application, a written recognition from the continental Olympic association- the council of Asia. (also acknowledging that this delay was due to elections taking place in Asia). After the Congress approval, having received such confirmation, ARF met the outstanding conditions, and ARF membership has been confirmed.
- Oman Rowing Federation - The review of the submission by the Council showed that the current constitution of the Oman Rowing Federation does not fully comply with the requirements stated in article 13; however in order to avoid slowing down the development, the Council proposes to grant the Oman Rowing Federation with a provisional membership subject to the condition that by the next Congress, the Oman Rowing Federation must submit a revised constitution is in compliance with the obligations of MFs. After the decision made by the 2024 Ordinary Congress, WR followed up several times with the federation; however, no exhaustive responses were received, and an updated constitution has not been received, nor a clear explanation of the reasons for this delay. Given the current context, the WR Council is not in a position to justify the confirmation of Oman membership. As a consequence of this, World Rowing now counts 159 affiliated members.
- Bahamas Rowing Federation – President Rolland informed the delegates that due to non-compliance with the WR Statutes, the Executive Committee has decided to suspend the federation, which was provided with a fixed time to address the areas of non-compliance. Official communication on 27 February 2025.

3. Strategic Projects and various operational and administrative matters – update

The delegates received some presentations and updates on strategic projects: Dr Jane Thornton, OLY, the IOC Director of Health, Medicine and Science and Canadian Olympic rower, gave a keynote speech about Athletes Safeguarding, Wellbeing and Mental Health.

World Rowing Executive Director, Vincent Gaillard, presented the World Rowing 2025 to 2028 Strategic Roadmap, supported by Council members, Guin Batten and Filip Ljubicic, who presented, respectively the Coastal Rowing development plan and the future of e-sport.

Eva Szanto, Chair of the Events Commission, along with Henk-Jan Zwolle, Competitive Commission's Chair, shared a presentation on the work conducted by the members of the Strategic Calendar & Event Review (SECR) project.

The four-year budget was presented by Treasurer Gerritjan Eggenkamp.

Nobuhisa Ishizuka, World Rowing Strategic Project Advisor, presented an update on the ongoing Confederations Collaboration project

Matt Evans, World Rowing Senior Events Manager, presented an update on the 2025 Events Season and upcoming Games editions in Dakar and Los Angeles.

All presentations can be found here.

Closing

The President thanked the delegates for their contributions and interaction during the two days. The World Rowing Staff members were thanked for their service in preparing and staging the Congress.

World Rowing President declared the 2025 World Rowing Quadrennial Congress closed.



Jean-Christophe Rolland
President



Vincent Gaillard
Executive Director



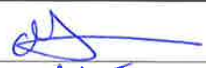






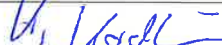
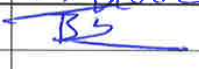
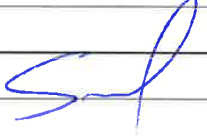


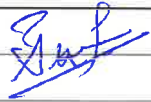
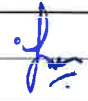
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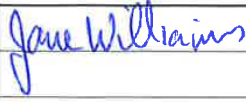


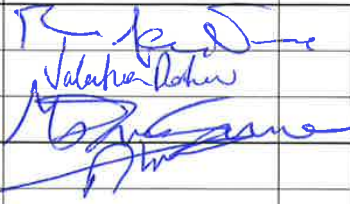
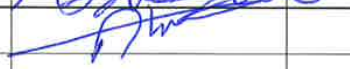



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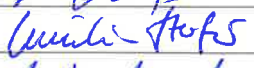

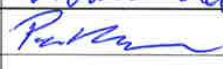



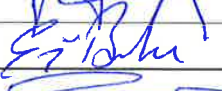
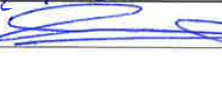
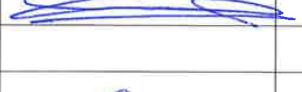
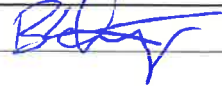
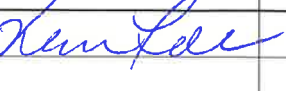
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ALG	Algeria	Aoudjane	Kheireddine	Male	President		
AUS	Australia	Stephen	Donnelley	Male	President		
AUT	Austria	Norbert	Lambling	Male	Secretary general		
AZE	Azerbaijan	Farhad	Aliyev	Male	Secretary General		
BAR	Barbados	Anthony	Yarde	Male	President		
BEL	Belgium	Gwenda	Stevens	Female	President		
		Jean-Marie	Rigo	Male	Member of the board		
		Anton	Renting				
BER	Bermuda	Andre	Perez	Male	President		
BLR	Belarus	Olga	Tarasova	Female	Secretary General		
BRA	Brazil	Magali	Moreira	Female	President		
		Marcelo	Neves dos Santos	Male			
BUL	Bulgaria	Teodor	Andreev	Male	Board member		



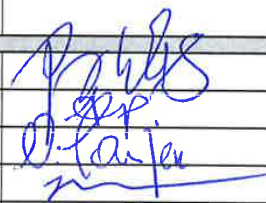
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CHI	Chile	Cristian	GOMEZ	Male	Secretary General		
CHN	China	Lixin	Tong	Male	President	徐志	
		Zhina	Zhu	Female	Anti-doping Manager	朱志	
		Bingjie	Wu	Female	Foreign Affair Manager	吴志	
COL	Colombia	Jhon Yeimer	Santos	Male	President		
CRO	Croatia	Branko	Markota	Male	Member of the Commission for International Relations of CRF		
		Mirna	Rajle Brođanac	Female	President of the assembly of CRF	Mirna	
		Miće	Mikulić	Male	Executive director of CRF		
CYP	Cyprus	Yiannos	Charalambous	Male	PRESIDENT		
CZE	Czechia	Michal	Kurfiršt	Male	President		
DEN	Denmark	Bo	Kaliaszan	Male	Vice President		
DJI	Djibouti	Ahmed	MAHAMOUD ABDOULKADER	Male	PRESIDENT		
EGY	Egypt	Moatafa	AbdelGawad	Male	Board member		
ESA	El Salvador	Roberto	Lopez	Male	President		

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FRA	France	Goudet	Myriam	Female	International Relations Representative delegated by the steering committee		
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GBR	Great Britain	Mark	Davies	Male	Chair of British Rowing		
		Matt	Pinsent	Male	Umpire		
		Louise	Kingsley	Female	Performance Director		
GER	Germany	Alexander	Kersten	Male	Board member		
		Robert	Sens	Male	Board Member		
		Katharina	von Kodolitsch	Female	Commission Member Coastal Rowing		
GRE	Greece	Vasileios	POLYMEROS	Male	PRESIDENT		
HAI	Haiti	Saul	Garcia	Male	Vice president		
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INA	Indonesia	Budiman	Setiawan	Male	Vice President		
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		Valentina	Rodini	Female	Council Member (athlete representative)		
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JOR	Jordan	Ahmad	Alnjadat	Male	Vice President		
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KAZ	Kazakhstan	Zhassulan	Taitenov	Male	Secretary general		
KOR	South Korea	Myeoung Gyu	KIM	Male	GENERAL SECRETARY		
		SEMUN	OH	Male	PRESIDENT		
		YEOJIN	MO	Female	DIRECTOR		
KSA	Saudi Arabia	Shereen	Abulhassan	Female	Vice President		
		Yousef	Jelaidan	Male	CEO		
LBA	Libya	Nourddin	ELKREKSHI	Male	President		
		Emad	Eatweb	Male	Secretary General		
		LAILA	ABUSHKIWA	Female	Women's Member		
LTU	Lithuania	Mindaugas	Griškonis	Male	President		

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		EDUARDO	ARRILLAGA	Male	VICEPRESIDENT		
NED	Netherlands	Seada	Van den Herik	Female	President		
		Wouter	Van Groeningen	Male	Board member Events		
NOR	Norway	Morten	Bergesen	Male	Vice President		
NZL	New Zealand	Judith	Hamilton	Female	General Manager - Performance		
		Simon	Wickham	Male	Chief Executive		
PAR	Paraguay	Pablo	Seitz	Male	PRESIDENTE		
		Rita	Correa	Female	Secretaria		
		Osvaldo	Borchi	Male	Head Coach		
POL	Poland	Robert	Zaborski	Male	Secretary General		
POR	Portugal	Luis	Faria	Male	President		
		Paulo	Almeida	Male	Vice-President		
		Inês	Silva	Female	Vice-President		
ROU	Romania	Elisabeta	Lipa	Female	President		
		SANDU	POP	Male	Secretary General		
RSA	South Africa	Benjamin	Burnand	Male	President		
RUS	Russia	Aleksei	Svirin	Male	President		
		Anton	Zarutskii	Male	Vice-President		
		Alla	Tarasova	Female	Secretary General		
SEN	Senegal	Wade	Cheikh Moubarak	Male	Secrétaire général		
		Thiam	Awa	Female	Vice president		

2025 WRQC - Attendance Sheet							
Country	Full name	Name	Last Name	Gender	Position	Signature	Voting cards
SOM	Somalia	Said	Mohamuud	Male	President		
SRB	Serbia (NOC)	Milos	Milenkovic	Male	SRB NOC		
		Bojana	Boltic	Female	NOC representative		
SUD	Sudan (No Vote)	Mutwakil	Ahmed	Male	Development menger		
SUI	Switzerland	Andras	Gurovits	Male	President		
		Christian	Stofer	Male	Director		
		Laurence	Ouwehand	Female	Treasurer		
SWE	Sweden	Per	Bjornskiold	Male	Acting President		
TKM	Turkmenistan	Juma	Jumayev	Male	President		
TUN	Tunisia	Slim	Ben Boubaker	Male	President		
TUR	Turkiye	Erhan	Ertürk	Male	President		
		Ferdiye	Erdoğan	Female	Board Member		
		Baha	Er	Male	General Director		
UAE	United Arab Emirates	Mohamed	Alobeidli	Male	Secretary General		
UGA	Uganda	Batenga	Nakisozi	Female	Secretary General		
		Isma	Iga	Male	Commission Member		
USA	United States of America	Kirsten	Feldman	Female	President		

2025 WRQC - Attendance Sheet							
Country	Full name	Name	Last Name	Gender	Position	Signature	Voting cards
UZB	Uzbekistan	Rustam	Ruziev	Male	Team manager		
VAN	Vanuatu	Lydie	PETERSEN-VISSER	Female	PRESIDENT		
VEN	Venezuela	Yoel	Perez	Male	Presidente		
ZAM	Zambia	Mwenda	LUPIYA	Male	MWENDA MILLCENT LUPIYA		
ZIM	Zimbabwe	Andrew	Lorimer	Male	President		
Continental Rowing Confederation							
ARF	Asian Rowing Federation	Chunxin		Chen			no
ERB	European Rowing Board	Annamarie		Phelps			no
ERB	European Rowing Board	Neville		Tanzar			no
CWGA	Commonwealth Games Association	Poter		Cookson			no
Arab Rowing	Arab Rowing	Khaled		Zein Eldin			no

VOTES RESULTS

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Please select your preferred candidate in the election
of the Chair of the Umpiring Commission

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	133	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	3	
Majority:	67	
Angela Alonso Fernandez (ESP)	78	58.65%
Kristopher Allen Grudt (USA)	55	41.35%

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Do you approve the World Rowing MF Membership Fee Increase for the period 2025-2028?

Voting Cards Distributed:	122	
Valid Votes:	117	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	5	
Majority:	59	
Yes	64	54.70%
No	53	45.30%

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Rules new 1 to new 12?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	132	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	4	
Majority:	67	
Yes	132	100.00%
No	0	0.00%

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Do you approve the Council proposal for Appendix R1
(Bye-Law to Rule 13)

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	129	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	7	
Majority:	65	
Yes	124	96.12%
No	5	3.88%

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Appendix R2-R5

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	127	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	9	
Majority:	64	
Yes	123	96.85%
No	4	3.15%

15 Mar 2025 10:54:21

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Appendix R6

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	130	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	6	
Majority:	66	
Yes	88	67.69%
No	42	32.31%

15 Mar 2025 10:55:18

World Rowing Quadrennial Congress 2025**Do you approve the Council proposal for Appendix R7 - R17**

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	127	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	9	
Majority:	64	
Yes	121	95.28%
No	6	4.72%

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World Rowing Quadrennial Congress 2025Do you approve the Council proposal for Standalone Rules & Bye-Laws for Coastal Rowing Discipline

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	129	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	7	
Majority:	65	
Yes	123	95.35%
No	6	4.65%

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World Rowing Quadrennial Congress 2025

Do you approve the Council proposal for Standalone
Rules & Bye-Laws for Indoor Rowing Discipline

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	130	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	6	
Majority:	66	
Yes	130	100.00%
No	0	0.00%

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World Rowing Quadrennial Congress 2025



Do you approve the Council Proposal for Rule new 13?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	128	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	8	
Majority:	65	
Yes	113	88.28%
No	15	11.72%

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World Rowing Quadrennial Congress 2025



Do you approve the Council proposal for Rule new 14?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	132	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	4	
Majority:	67	
Yes	121	91.67%
No	11	8.33%

15 Mar 2025 10:42:40

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Rule new 15 to new 25?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	131	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	5	
Majority:	66	
Yes	125	95.42%
No	6	4.58%

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Please select your preferred proposal option:

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	132	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	4	
Majority:	67	
Council proposal	72	54.55%
GBR Proposal	60	45.45%

15 Mar 2025 10:45:41

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Do you approve the Council proposal for Rule new 26?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	134	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	2	
Majority:	68	
Yes	123	91.79%
No	11	8.21%

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Rule new 27 to new 46

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	126	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	10	
Majority:	64	
Yes	125	99.21%
No	1	0.79%

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Rule new 47 to new 86

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	128	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	8	
Majority:	65	
Yes	128	100.00%
No	0	0.00%

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Please select your preferred proposal option:

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	123	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	13	
Majority:	62	
Council proposal	62	50.41%
SWE, POL, NZL, CAN, AUS, NOR, DEN, FIN, GBR, USA proposal	61	49.59%

15 Mar 2025 10:50:19

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Do you approve the Council proposal for Rule new 87?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	126	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	10	
Majority:	64	
Yes	100	79.37%
No	26	20.63%

15 Mar 2025 10:51:22

World Rowing Quadrennial Congress 2025



Do you approve the Council proposals for Rule new 88 to new 89?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	130	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	6	
Majority:	66	
Yes	128	98.46%
No	2	1.54%

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Articles new 1 to new 9?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	131	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	5	
Majority:	66	
Yes	129	98.47%
No	2	1.53%

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Appendix S1 to Appendix S7 and S10

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	127	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	9	
Majority:	64	
Yes	119	93.70%
No	8	6.30%

15 Mar 2025 10:35:07

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Do you approve the Council proposals for new Appendix S8?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	134	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	2	
Majority:	68	
Yes	128	95.52%
No	6	4.48%

15 Mar 2025 10:35:58

World Rowing Quadrennial Congress 2025



Do you approve the Council proposals for new Appendix S9?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	132	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	4	
Majority:	67	
Yes	130	98.48%
No	2	1.52%

15 Mar 2025 10:36:49

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Do you approve the Council proposals for new Appendix S11

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	131	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	5	
Majority:	66	
Yes	131	100.00%
No	0	0.00%

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Do you approve the Council proposals for new Appendix S12?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	134	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	2	
Majority:	68	
Yes	132	98.51%
No	2	1.49%

15 Mar 2025 10:24:48

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Articles new 10 to new 19?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	132	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	4	
Majority:	67	
Yes	128	96.97%
No	4	3.03%

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Articles new 20 to new 46?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	133	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	3	
Majority:	67	
Yes	132	99.25%
No	1	0.75%

15 Mar 2025 10:27:15

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Do you agree to give authority to the 2025 Ordinary Congress to amend Article new 47?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	132	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	4	
Majority:	67	
Yes	129	97.73%
No	3	2.27%

15 Mar 2025 10:28:36

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Articles new 48 to new 51?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	132	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	4	
Majority:	67	
Yes	131	99.24%
No	1	0.76%

15 Mar 2025 10:29:36

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Articles new 52 to new 53?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	136	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	0	
Majority:	69	
Yes	135	99.26%
No	1	0.74%

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World Rowing Quadrennial Congress 2025



Do you approve the Council proposals for Articles new 54 to new 57?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	129	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	7	
Majority:	65	
Yes	128	99.22%
No	1	0.78%

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Articles new 58 to new 62?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	133	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	3	
Majority:	67	
Yes	132	99.25%
No	1	0.75%

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Do you approve the Council proposals for Articles new
63 to new 66?

Voting Cards Distributed:	136	
Valid Votes:	127	
Abstentions (Including Blank Votes):	9	
Majority:	64	
Yes	127	100.00%
No	0	0.00%