



European  
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Movement

## **Minutes**

**of the 16<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the European Fair Play Movement, held at the INTERCONTINENTAL Hotel in Prague, Czech Republic, on October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010.**

### **1. Welcome and approval of the Agenda**

- 1.1. The quorum was confirmed with Twenty Four (24) EFPM Members present (equal to 60% attendance) and the General Assembly was opened, in accordance with the requirements of the Statutes.
- 1.2. The President of the European Fair Play Movement Carlos Gonçalves, welcomed the members and the special guests invited by the organizers, and presented the proposed Agenda to the General Assembly.
- 1.3. The EFPM Members approved the proposed Agenda.

### **2. Greetings from European Sports Organisations and Institutions**

The EFPM Gen. Secretary Ioannis Psilopoulos read the message of EOC President Mr. Patrick Hickey, who underlined the promising future of the cooperation between EOC and EFPM.

Prof. Dr. Romana Caput-Jogunica, on behalf of ENGSO, sent warm greetings to the General Assembly and confirmed the continuation of the fruitful cooperation between ENGSO and the EFPM.

CIFP President Jenö Kamuti communicated the hearty greetings of the organization he presides to all the members of the EFPM family and informed them about the success of the first World Youth Olympic Festival in Singapore and the CIFP presence there.

### **3. Approval of the Minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> EFPM General Assembly (Baku, Azerbaijan, October 17<sup>th</sup> 2009).**

The Minutes were approved unanimously.

### **4. Follow - up of the 15<sup>th</sup> EFP Congress in Baku**

President Gonçalves informed the General Assembly about the decision of the EFPM Executive Committee to establish a limited Committee pertaining Prof. Dr. Manfred Laemmer, Khazar Isayev and Gönül Nurullayeva, who will proceed with the completion of the translation work of the Congress Proceedings and their relevant printing.

The General Assembly unanimously accepted by acclamation the decision.

## **5. President's report**

The President reported to the G.A. about how the work within the EFPM and the member organisations had progressed in the years 2009/2010. The report is included as an appendix to the Minutes of the General Assembly.

## **6. General Secretary's report**

The Gen. Secretary Ioannis Psilopoulos, thanked the EFPM Members for their trust and support, as well as the Hellenic Olympic Committee for the continuous support for smoothly fulfilling the Gen. Secretary's duties. After that, he presented the relevant Report, which is included as an appendix to the Minutes of the General Assembly.

## **7. Financial Report as per 31-12-2009.**

The Treasurer Christian Blareau was welcomed by the President after his long absence due to health problems. The Interim Treasurer Georges Diderich, who dealt with the financial matters during the current fiscal period, presented the current financial situation of the EFPM and the 2011 Budget, which amounts to a total of 37.974,8 Euros.

The General Assembly approved the Interim Treasurer's report and the proposed budget.

## **8. Report of the Board of Auditors**

EC Member Mr. Christian Hinterberger explained the procedure for the introduction of the Report and called on Kveta Peckova, Chairwoman of the Board of Auditors, to present the relevant Report.

Mrs. Peckova presented the Report, proposing the approval of the financial transactions by the EFPM in 2009.

## **9. Approval of the EFPM EC administrative and financial transactions**

The General Assembly having heard the Reports of the President, the Gen. Secretary and the Treasurer as well as the Report of the Board of the Auditors approved unanimously the EFPM Executive Committee administrative and financial transactions.

## **10. Affiliation of new Members**

President Gonçalves introduced two National Organizations, namely SATUS from Switzerland and TUL from Finland, which have expressed their interest to become affiliated members. The representatives of the two Organizations addressed short messages to the General Assembly and made an introduction of their status.

Furthermore, President Gonçalves introduced the Delegation from Armenia. Armenia has been already a corporate member, but for various reasons they could not be present in the past. The Armenian representative Mr. Lputian addressed a short message to the General Assembly and communicated some of his ideas regarding Fair Play in Armenia.

President Gonçalves thanked the speakers in the name of EFPM and expressed his wish to have the affiliation applications from SATUS and TUL as soon as possible.

## **11. Presentation of CSIT and signing of the Joint Venture between CSIT and EFPM**

Mr. Harald Bauer, President of CSIT (the International Workers Sports Confederation) made an introduction about the Organization he presides and at the end President Bauer and President Gonçalves signed during an emotional ceremony the Joint Venture Agreement between the two Organizations.

## **12. Presentation of ISCA and signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between ISCA and EFPM.**

Mr. Mogens Kirkeby, President of ISCA (the International Sport and Culture Association) made an introduction about the Organization he presides and at the end President Kirkeby and President Gonçalves signed during a very emotional ceremony the Memorandum of Understanding between the two Organizations.

## **13. European Fair Play Awards**

Mr. Miroslav Cerar, President of the EFP Awards Jury, presented the Report of the Jury for the year 2010. The Awards proposed by the Jury and accepted by the General Assembly are:

### **13.1. Plaque of Merit and Diploma (*in memoriam*)**

To **PIOTR NUROWSKI (1945 - 2010)** former President of the Polish Olympic Committee for his life-time dedication to Sports and Fair Play. President Nurowski lost his life last April 10, 2010 in the tragic plane crash close to Smolensko Airport on the way to Katyn, joining a Polish

official delegation for paying a tribute and respects to the Polish citizens (including 8 Polish Olympians) killed there on March 1940 (proposal of EFPM President Carlos Gonçalves).

### **13.2. Plaque of Merit and Diploma (Organization)**

To the **KRONEN ZEITUNG** for its remarkable contribution made to the wide - spread of the Fair Play values and principles. KRONEN Zeitung started a campaign for fairness in sport and succeeded to motivate almost the whole Austria. Its manifesto has been signed and supported by many popular Austrian athletes as well as Sports Associations, organizers of big events and thousands of ordinary people (proposal of ASKOE, Austria)

### **13.3. Diplomas (Individuals)**

To **Mr. ROMAS BERNOTAS**, President of the Lithuanian Association of Amateur Running, professor of Physical Education and trainer of Athletics and Basketball, for his contribution to the implementation of the ethical values in Sports and the education of youth in the spirit of Fair Play and Tolerance (proposal from the Lithuanian Olympic Committee).

## **14. EFPM Communication**

### **14.1. The Magazine: PLAY FAIR!**

The report was presented by the Vice President Erdogan Aripinar, who asked once more for the contribution by all EFPM members in respect of reports, papers, news, photos etc. for the magazine PLAY FAIR!

Furthermore, Mr. Aripinar explained that the cost of the Magazine covers mostly its distribution (posting etc.) as well some editing expenses.

The Vice-President Manfred Laemmer underlined the non-ending problem of the texts that are submitted as regards their linguistic correctness. He asked once more the members to take care of this issue and send texts in correct English.

### **14.2. EFPM website.**

Erdogan Aripinar underlined the necessity of the EFPM website and the importance of having it constantly and duly updated.

### **14.3 EFPM Flash News.**

Katarina Raczova informed the *Gen. Assembly* about this initiative and the importance of having the Flash News always up-to-date with news on all the Fair Play activities and regularly distributed in Europe.

#### **14.4. EFPM Calendar**

Katarina Raczova presented this new edition of the EFPM for 2011 and further on. The *General Assembly* welcomed with an applause the work done by Mrs Raczova and her associates and the calendar was distributed to the members.

#### **14. 17<sup>th</sup> EFPM Congress and General Assembly 2011**

President Gonçalves asked the representative of the 17<sup>th</sup> Congress and *Gen. Assembly* Organizers Mrs. Biserka Vrbek and her accompanying group of members of the organizing committee, to give details of said event to be hosted in Prorec, Istria under the title "Sports as a part of Culture; Fair Play as a part of Sport Culture". Mrs. Vrbek proceeded with the presentation of the relevant information and of a video of the host city. At the end of the presentation, President Gonçalves and Mrs Biserka Vrbek signed the associated Contract for the organization of the event.

#### **16. 18<sup>th</sup> EFP Congress and EFPM General Assembly in 2012**

The *Gen. Secretary* I. Psilopoulos informed the *General Assembly* that the EFPM Executive Committee, having examined the applications submitted in due time, decided to award the 2012 event to the National Fair Play Committee of Italy (CNIFP), who will proceed with the organization of the event under the auspices and the support of CONI, the Italian Olympic Committee. CNIFP President Ruggero Alcanterini thanked the *Gen. Assembly*, presented a video of Rome, which will be the hosting city and gave some preliminary information about the event and their plans.

Mr. Psilopoulos underlined the importance of said event and the associated difficulties, resulting from the fact that 2012 is an Olympic Year and the *Gen. Assembly* will be an elective one.

#### **17. Candidatures for the organization of the 19<sup>th</sup> EFP Congress and EFPM General Assembly in 2013**

The *Gen. Secretary* I. Psilopoulos informed the *Gen. Assembly* that the deadline for the applications by candidate organizations is 31 March 2011 and he asked the interested members to respect said deadline.

#### **18. EFPM Declaration**

Gen. Secretary I. Psilopoulos thanked the Czech experts for their decisive assistance in formulating the 2010 EFPM Declaration. He informed the Gen. Assembly that the distributed Declaration is a Draft Document to be reviewed and/or commented on by the Members by the end of November.

#### **19. Handing over of the EFPM flag to the delegation of the Croatian Olympic Committee**

Mrs. Kveta Peckova, President of the Czech Fair Play Committee, accompanied by the EFPM President, handed over the EFPM flag to Mrs. Biserka Vrbek, head of the Croatian Olympic Committee Delegation, responsible for the organization of the 2011 EFP Congress and EFPM Gen. Assembly.

Having dealt with all the points of the Agenda, the President declared the General Assembly closed.

For the records  
Ioannis Psilopoulos,  
EFPM General Secretary