

MINUTES of the IWF Extraordinary Executive Board Meeting Held on 21st January 2023 at 15:00 CET by Video Conference via Zoom

PARTICIPATING

Mohammed Jaloud, President and Chairperson of the Meeting

Antonio Urso, General Secretary

Ursula Papandrea, 1st Vice President

Doris Marrero, Petr Krol, Pyrros Dimas, Attila Adamfi Vice Presidents

Mohamed Alharbi, Fathi Masmoudi, Matthew Curtain, Wen Shin Chang, Florian Sperl, Tom Yong Liaw, Gardencia Du Plooy, Hiromi Miyake, Maria Jose Alcala, Members

Antonio Conflitti, Khaled Mehalhel, Continental Presidents,

Forrester Osei, Hidilyn Diaz, Luis Peters, AC representatives

Excuses: Mohd Yousef Al Mana, Jose Quinones, Sam Coffa,

21 Voting Board Members joined the meeting online that is 21 in total. Quorum was formed.

Secretariat: Mária Cseresnyés BAM; Olivier Ducrey, Legal Counsel, Tímea Horvath EDM

Meeting started at 15:00 p.m. CET.

Agenda of the Meeting

	Topic	Speaker
1.	Opening, Roll Call	Mohammed Jaloud
2.	2023 IWF Provisional Budget	Mohammed Jaloud, Antonio Urso Maxat Dastanov, Mária Cseresnyés
3.	IWF CEO	Mohammed Jaloud, Antonio Urso
4.	Any Other Business	

The President welcomed the EB Members joining the meeting, the General Secretary also offered greetings.

The President informed the Board that the following online EB meeting would be held on 11 February 2023 (at 15:00 pm CET) to approve the 2023 IWF Budget and the IWF Organisational Chart. The President also informed the IWF EB about the CAS case of Mr Agapitov and the Russian Weightlifting Federation against the IWF was successfully closed in favour of the IWF.

Dastanov and Cseresnyes were asked to explain the 2023 IWF Budget attached as Annex 01. The EB members were requested to send their proposals until the following EB meeting to be held in February 2023.

Papandrea given the floor said the amount allocated for the Lausanne office expenses were too low in her view, considering new hires should be made.

Osei said he did not see any budget for the Athletes' Support Programme discussed during the EB meeting held in December 2022 in Bogota, Colombia.

In relation to the budget as well as the huge expenses at the IWF, the General Secretary made a proposal to consider transferring more liabilities onto the Member Federations in relation to doping – to charge them with the legal costs associated with doping cases as well as to increase the doping fines. This proposal should be elaborated with the involvement of the ADC and the ITA, including the Allocation of AD Costs Guidelines (Annex 02).

The General Secretary also informed the EB about his technical visit to Durres, Albania hosting the 2023 IWF Youth World Championships end of March this year.

The General Secretary also made a motion, based on the recommendations of Sperl (Annex 03) to have maximum 3 (three) Executive Board meetings in person annually to be held in conjunction with the world championships events; the EB Members should fly on economy irrespective of the duration of the flight.

It was also added that the online meetings of the IWF EB would not be compensated to the Eb members, while the amount for participating in EB meetings, held in-person, would remain the same as approved during the EB meeting in Rome on 03 October 2022.

VOTE 1 to approve the motion as stated above with 20 yes votes, 1 abstention and 6 not online – PASSED.

The General Secretary also informed the EB that the call for submitting applications for hosting the 2024 IWF (Senior) World Championships had been opened.

Referring to the position of the CEO – the General Secretary proposed he would take over the tasks of the CEO until the Congress in September 2023 when the new Constitution to be approved to save funds for the IWF considering the limited budget. It was agreed to review the matter together with the lawyers in view of the Constitution; and decide on it at a later stage.

He also made a motion to appoint Timea Horvath to be the Chief Officer of the IWF Lausanne Office.

VOTE 2 to approve the motion to appoint Timea Horvath as the Chief officer of the Lausanne Office with 18 yes votes, 0 abstention and 9 not online – PASSED.

Sperl informed the EB that the draft of the IWF Refugee Programme (Annex 04) was finalised and would be circulated among the EB for a final discussion and approval during EB meeting to be held online in February.

It was stated that the following online IWF EB meeting would be held on 11 February 2023, while the following in-person IWF EB meeting would be held on 30 March 2023 in Durres Albania, during the 2023 IWF YWC.

There being no other matter to transact, the meeting was closed.

Meeting ended 17:00 p.m. CET on 21/01/2023.



**Mohammed Jalood
IWF President**



**Antonio Urso
IWF General Secretary**

Annexes to the Minutes

Annex 01	2023 IWF Budget
Annex 02	Allocation of Anti-Doping Costs Guidelines
Annex 03	Proposal of Florian Sperl
Annex 04	IWF Refugee Programme Proposal
Annex 05	“Transcripts” of the voice record
Notice:	Annex 05 the “Transcripts” of the voice record of the IWF EB online meeting was generated by the ZOOM programme.