# MINUTES of the IWF Executive Board (EB) Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 13:00 CET ONLINE – by Video Conference via Zoom



# PARTICIPATING

Mohammed Jalood, President and Chairperson of the Meeting, Antonio Urso, General Secretary, Pyrros Dimas, Attila Adamfi, Petr Krol Vice Presidents, Mohammed Alharbi, Sam Coffa, Matthew Curtain, Dr. Fathi Masmoudi, Gardencia Du Plooy, Tom Liaw, Meco Chang, Maria Jose Alcala, Hiromi Miyake, Florian Sperl, Boukar Tikire - Members Antonio Conflitti, Mohd Yousef Al Mana, Khaled Mehalhel - Continental Presidents Forrester Osei, AC Chair Mr. Willian Ozuna – Ex Officio Executive Board Member, **20 Voting Board Members joined the meeting online, Quorum was formed.** IWF Secretariat Members Excuses: Jose Quinones, Yassiny Esquivel – ongoing PanAm event in Cuba **Meeting started at 13:00 p.m. CET**.

# AGENDA OF THE MEETING

	Торіс	Speaker
	Welcome Words of the IWF President and General Secretary	M. Jaloud, A. Urso
1.	Changes in the IWF Technical Competition Rules and Regulations (TCRR)	S. Coffa, M. Lencser
2.	IWF Official and Certified Barbell Suppliers	A. Urso WG Chair, A. Tsogas
3.	Updates on the IWF Development Programme	K. Mehalhel, T. Horvath
4.	Updates on Legal Matters (CAS)	I. Mournianakis
5.	Updates on Anti-Doping Matters	M. Exhenry
6.	Any Other Business	

After the Roll Call, the President and the General Secretary welcomed the EB Members attending the meeting.

# 1. Changes in the IWF Technical Competition Rules and Regulations (TCRR)

The proposed changes, attached hereto as Annex 01, had been sent to the IWF EB prior to the meeting. Coffa and Lencser presented the changes, mainly related to the update to bodyweight categories, and jury decision procedures. Adamfi suggested that articles: 7.5.7 (jury decisions) and 4.2.1 (athletes' costumes) of the IWF TCRR should be reviewed by the

Technical Committee.

A motion was made to approve Changes in the IWF Technical Competition Rules and Regulations (TCRR).

# VOTE 1 To approve the above motion with 19 yes votes, 0 abstention, 0 no vote - PASSED.

# 2. IWF Official and Certified Barbell Suppliers

The Licensing Working Group, following a thorough evaluation of the proposals submitted by the barbell suppliers, proposes the following to the IWF Executive Board:

- To approve ELEIKO and ZKC as Official Barbell Suppliers (1st Tier).
- To grant ZKC the exclusive right to be the sole approved barbell supplier from China in both Tiers.
- To approve ROGUE, UESAKA, and NELCO (new supplier that received positive evaluation from the TC) as Certified Barbell Suppliers (2nd Tier).

The certification period will run from 1st April 2025 to 31st December 2028

A motion was made to approve the aforesaid proposal.

#### VOTE 2 to approve the above motion with 19 yes votes, 0 abstentions, 0 no vote - PASSED.

#### 3. Update on IWF Development Programme (DP)

Mehalhel and Horvath gave an update on DP matters, attached hereto as Annex 02. They informed the EB that the countries/MFs were categorised. Three categories were introduced and related funds to be allocated under the given category were defined as followed: Category A: 3,000 USD; Category B: 5,000 USD, Category A: 7,000 USD

Also, there was a proposal on funding the Regional Federations whose support would depend on the number of member countries therein.

A motion was made to approve the proposal of the DEC regarding the 2025 IWF Development Programme

#### VOTE 3 to approve the above motion with 19 yes votes, 0 abstentions, 0 no vote - PASSED.

#### 4. Update on Legal Matters (CAS)

Mournianakis gave an update on ongoing legal matters, the CAS 10834 case between Marin & NOC Moldova vs. IWF & Pizzolato. Before the start of the briefing on the CAS 10834 case, Mr. Antonio Conflitti and Mr. Mohammed Al Harbi excused themselves because of a conflict of interest.

#### 5. Updates on Anti-Doping Matters

Exhenry gave an update on AD matters attached hereto as Annex 03. that covered the topics below:

- Updates on Article 12 cases and fines issued to member federations
- 2025 Anti-Doping Rules in effect as of 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025
- Key changes: Expanded retirement rule, increased automatic fines, clarified sanctions

#### 6. Any Other Business

President informed the IWF EB about the additional support of IOC under Olympic Solidarity. He also informed the EB about the receipt of the 3<sup>rd</sup> instalment regarding the Paris 2024 Olympic Games from the IOC.

Krol gave an update on the International Coaching Licence and the work of the Coach and Research Committee.

Osei asked to check the situation of Ghana as Member Federation.

Conflitti requested to add the following: "I don't have any problem to leave the EB meeting but if the IWF General Secretary is not in conflict of interest because not more President of the Italian Weightlifting Federation, but at the moment of the case he was in charge, with the same criteria also myself should be considered not in conflict of interest because the Moldavian Weightlifting Federation is not involved in the appeal process".

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

Meeting ended 15:30 p.m. CET on 13/03/2025.

Mohammed Jalood IWF President

#### Annexes to the Minutes

- Annex 01Proposed Changes in the IWF TCRRAnnex 02Barbell Suppliers proposal of the WGAnnex 032025 IWF DP Update
- Annex 04 Anti-Doping Matters Update

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Antonio Urso IWF General Secretary