

# IWF Coaching and Research Committee

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Mr. Petr Krol, CRC Chair opened the first meeting of the Committee in 2024 and welcomed the members and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Mr. Krol informed the members that the IWF Working Group is collecting the by-laws proposals and that is why he called the meeting to discuss the preparation of by-laws for the Coaching licence. Together with Mr. Buckley, they prepared a simple and easy material to be sent to the Working Group.

Mr. Buckley said that in Europe the pilot program is in operation, 336 coaches are already registered. Mr. Krol added that the plan is to discuss the minimum standards with each Continental Federations' Coaching Committee, to create standards that are acceptable for all. The timeline of the process shall be confirmed by IWF EB. The plan is to ask the MFs about their coaching education system. Now the most important is to establish the by-laws. The MFs' education system will be respected. As for the existing education systems, there is no need to duplicate, an assimilation program would be in place. Dr. Pierce told that he would like to see the education implemented to get licence and there is a need to study and do a test to get the licence. Mr. Krol confirmed that the national education will be respected as some MFs have very high level education. A survey might be sent out to all MFs. The main sense of the licence is to control coaches and not teach them about weightlifting. Mr. Krol emphasized that now it is important to create the by-laws. CRC needs to propose, what is the objective, advantage. Mr. Ferrari recommended to change the wording for '2 year update, if needed'. Mr. Masic agreed that similar to ITOs, the licence shall be valid for Olympic cycle and every change, update can be automatically included. Before every competition, the coach database needs to be checked.

The wording in the draft document has been edited. Mr. Krol asked the members to approve the new document. All present members voted yes and approved the document. Mr. Li added that China has its own high standard education but will be also okay with this coaching licence program. Mr. Krol thanked the members and informed them, he will send the document to the Working Group.