

IWF Coaching and Research Committee

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Mr. Petr Krol, CRC Chair opened the meeting and welcomed the members both in person and online.

Mr. Krol informed the members that the draft of by law for the coaching licence is ready. It is very clear and short. He also mentioned that he asked the ADC and EDC for their suggestions. The CRC's work is the proposals for the minimum standard. The main goal is not to ask academical qualification but have experience. After the minimum standards the fee needs to be decided, the IWF Executive Board will decide. First proposal is 100 USD but as ITO's licence is 200 USD for an Olympic cycle. It is suggested to have the same amount.

Mr. Mournianakis introduced the draft by law. He said that CRC was the only Committee submitting proposal. The part 'IWF EB can suspend the licence to be linked to AD Rule violation needs to be discussed with ADC + ITA. A transit period might be established. Mr. Krol added that the by law can be changed by the IWF EB and anytime, therefore if some changes are needed, it is not a problem.

Mr. Buckley said that the application form shall be signed by President OR General Secretary of the Member Federation. Ms. Shaw asked about the validity of the licence. Once it is paid and the AD part is done, it is valid for 4 years. Mr. Mournianakis told that currently there is no rule for coach eligibility, no process for nationalities. Mr. Krol thanked the work of Mr. Mournianakis and Mr. Buckley.

Mr. Krol asked the members to think about the minimum standards, what is needed, it should not be longer than the by law. Something simple is needed.

Mr. Krol said that in the past years IWF received 50.000 USD from IOC for Youth Athlete Development Program. In 2024, the 3rd edition of the training camp will be organized before the IWF World Youth Championships in Lima. During the process some difficulties were faced with the activity of the continents. At the end, 8 federations were found eligible. The experts will be two CRC members, Dr. Kyle Pierce and Mr. Jorge Luis Barcelán.

Chairman Krol asked the members to think in a long-term project for the next Olympic cycle. Also to set a program which is sustainable. For the next meeting the members shall propose ideas, collaborating with the IWF Athletes' Commission.

Mr. Ferrari said that Ms. Jacqueline White will make a presentation at the IWF EB meeting and Congress. The opening ceremony will be on river Seine. The medals are ready and each

of them contains a piece from the Eiffel Tower. The Olympic Village is ready and the training venue will be in the village. Mr. Barcelán asked about the training camp possibility. Mr. Ferrari replied that there is a brochure, it has 15 locations in France, unfortunately in Paris is not possible.

Mr. Buckley shared a presentation about the Coaching Licence program pilot in Europe. His proposal is to use the IWF Level 2 as minimum standard. Many federations have educational courses, no need to duplicate. Multiple choice test. In the pilot program around 300 coaches participated, in the preliminary entry 67% of coaches were put, while at the final entry 100%. Mr. Buckley also explained the conversion course possibility. Mr. Krol thanked to Mr. Buckley and said that the European model can be a good model for all continents.

Mr. Ferrari raised that at the Joint meeting it was said that the Technical Committee was working on new bodyweight categories, if possible to coordinate with CRC as well before decision. Mr. Krol replied that Mr. Sam Coffa said it will be shared with all Committees. A working group will be established.