

# INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

**MINUTES** of a meeting of the Board of Directors held on Thursday, 3 March 2016, at 09h00 in Dorsett Grand Subang Hotel (Selangor Room 2), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

1. <u>President: Welcome and Opening Address:</u> the President welcomed the members and noted that there would be several presentations before starting the official agenda.

The Board acknowledged the Award presented to **Enlio** as sports floor sponsor of the World Championships (as their representative could not attend the AGM).

The Board noted the following event bid presentations to host future ITTF events (with the decision on the allocation at the agenda 10.2 and 12.2):

- <u>2018 World Junior Championships:</u> one application was received from Italy, with city of Riva del Garda. The Italian Table Tennis Federation (FITET) made the bid presentation.
- <u>2016 World Cadet Challenge</u>: one application was received from the Chinese Table Tennis Association, with city of Shanghai. China Table Tennis College (CTTC) made the bid presentation.
- <u>2017 World Cadet Challenge</u>: two applications were received, the Japan Table Tennis Association announced withdrawal of the bid in favour of Fiji. The Fiji Table Tennis Association made the bid presentation with city of Suva.

The Board noted the presentation of the ITTF Marketing Director analysing the current World Championships structure from organisation, participation and marketing aspects. Due to the importance of the subject, agenda 15.1 was advanced for discussion and decision.

2. Roll call and welcome of new members: there were 45 voting members of the Board present with 3 apologies (see attached list).

With consent of the Latin American Table Tennis Union, the Board considered the immediate appointment of Jorge Herrera (Guatemala) replacing Sergio Blanco (Mexico) who had resigned from the position for personal reasons in January 2016.

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The Board unanimously appointed Jorge HERRERA (Latin America) to the Board with immediate effect.



- 3. Confirmation of the minutes of the BoD held on 30 April 2015 in Suzhou, China: the minutes were confirmed, and signed by the President.
- 4. <u>Annual reports from the athletes and the commissioners</u>: the Board approved the following reports:
  - 4.1 Athletes' Commission (document F1)
  - 4.2 Junior Commissioner (document F2)
  - 4.3 Technical Commissioner (document F3)
  - 4.4 Women in Sport Commissioner (document F4)
- 5. Propositions and resolutions (document G):

Japan TTA made a presentation to explain and illustrate Proposition 13 to introduce a new method to detect boosters in racket coverings, the Pyrolysis Gas Chromatography.

The Board considered the following propositions, which required a simple majority of the votes cast:

	Proposed by Japan Table Tennis Association	
	To include following principles in paragraphs 3.2.1 (Approved and Authorised Equipment) and 3.2.4 (Racket Control)	
	1.1 <b>Proposal 1</b> : Changing the way in Authorising Sandwich Rubber with pimples in (we say <b>rubber</b> from now on).	
13a	1.1.1 To authorise a new rubber, ITTF will use Pyrolysis Chromatograph Analyser to measure any sort of oil component within the rubber.	Defeated
	Then, only the product that contains oil component below 10% of the total mass of the rubber may be pre-authorised.	
	1.1.2 After the rubber has been pre-authorised, ITTF will operate a bounce test under certain conditions (temperature controlled room), and if the rubber shows higher result than the limit, the rubber may not be authorised.	
	*Other sports using balls such as Tennis, Baseball and Golf have bounce tests with maximum repulsion depending on the material of the equipment.	
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	1.2 <b>Proposal 2</b> : New Racket Control for Rubber	
	1.2.1 All ITTF approved events (including Olympics) shall apply the new racket control test to the following players.	
	a) Individual Events: All players who made it to Semi-Finals and Finals, or any other player who has been chosen by the referee at random.	
13b	b) Team Events: The Referee shall choose players from the team that has made it to Semi-Finals and Finals, and any other players at random.	Defeated
	1.2.2 The new racket control is to test the rubber of the racket which the player will be using in the next match. The test will be carried out using a bounce test with ITTF authorised equipment. Any racket that has a higher repulsion than standard level may not be used.	
	1.2.3 Any racket that has not been tested before the match but has been used in the match will be tested afterwards. If the repulsion rate of the rubber is higher than the standard level, the player shall be penalised by the	



	ITTF.  1.2.4 If there is any protest to be made against the above 2 sections, the player shall hand in the rubber that has been used in the match to ITTF. ITTF shall then test the rubber using their Pyrolysis Chromatograph Analyser and compare their result against the result from the same product authorised by the ITTF which has not been in use.  ITTF will then conclude, rightfully on this allegation whether boosting was conducted by the player or not.	
14	Proposed by the Equipment Committee  To amend 3.2.1.2:  3.2.1.2. The entry form or prospectus for an open tournament shall specify the brands and colours of table, net assembly, flooring and ball to be used. The choice of table, net assembly and ball shall be as laid down by the ITTF or by the Association in whose territory the competition is held, selected from brands and types currently approved by the ITTF. For selected ITTF sanctioned tournaments, the flooring shall be of a brand and type currently approved by the ITTF.	<b>Passed</b> as amended
15	Proposed by the USA Table Tennis  To modify 3.2.1.3  3.2.1.3 A racket covering material on a side of the blade used for striking the ball-shall be currently authorised by the ITTF and shall be attached to the blade so that the ITTF logo, the ITTF number (when present), the supplier and brand names are clearly visible nearest the handle. Paints and dyes are not considered racket coverings and do not require authorisation.	<b>Passed</b> as amended
16	Proposed by the Equipment Committee  To amend 3.2.3.2:  3.2.3.2. The following equipment and fittings are to be considered as part of each playing area: The table including the net assembly, printed numbers identifying the table, flooring, umpires tables and chairs, score indicators, towel and ball boxes, printed numbers identifying the table, surrounds, floor mats, boards on the surrounds indicating the names of players or Associations.	Passed
17	Proposed by the Executive Committee and Rules Committee  To amend 3.2.3.2 and to add new 3.2.3.9 3.2.3.2 The following equipment and fittings are to be considered as part of each playing area: The table including the net assembly, umpires tables and chairs, score indicators, towel and ball boxes, printed numbers identifying the table, surrounds, floor mats, boards on the surrounds indicating the names of players or Associations, small technical equipment on the net assembly.  New:	<b>Passed</b> as amended



	3.2.3.9 Small technical equipment on the net assembly shall be considered part of the net assembly and shall be fitted in a way that does not affect play.		
	Effective date: 7 March 2016		
	Proposed by the Equipment Committee		
18	To amend 3.2.3.8: 3.2.3.8. The flooring shall not be light-coloured, brightly reflecting or slippery and it shall be resilient. its surface shall not be of brick, ceramics, concrete or stone; but tThe flooring may be of concrete rigid for wheelchair events.	Passed	
	Proposed by the Rules Committee		
19	To amend 3.2.5.8:  3.2.5.8 There may be 2 advertisements on nets which shall be clearly	Withdrawn	
	different from the colour of the ball in use and shall not be within 3cm of the tape along the top edge and outside of the vertical extensions of the side lines shall not obscure visibility through the mesh.		
	Proposed by the Rules Committee		
	To amend 3.2.5.7:		
20	3.2.5.7 There may be 2 advertisements on nets which shall be clearly different from the colour of the ball in use and shall not be within 3cm of the tape along the top edge; advertisements placed on parts of the net within the vertical extensions of the side lines of the table shall not obscure visibility through the mesh.	Passed	
	Proposed by the Rules Committee		
21	<ul> <li>3.5.1 Advice</li> <li>3.5.1.1 Players may receive advice at any time except during rallies provided the progress of play is not thereby delayed.</li> <li>3.5.1.2 If the actions of an adviser delay the progress of play, the umpire shall warn him or her by holding up a yellow card.</li> <li>3.5.1.3 After a warning has been given, if in the same team match or the same match of an individual event an adviser again delays play, the umpire shall hold up a red card and send the offender away from the playing area, whether or not he or she was the person warned.</li> </ul>	Withdrawn	
	3.5.1 Advice 3.5.1.1 In a team event, players may receive advice from anyone authorised to be at the playing area. 3.5.1.2 In an individual event, a player or pair may receive advice only from one person, designated beforehand to the umpire, except that where the players of a doubles pair are from different Associations each may designate an adviser, but with regard to 3.5.1 and 3.5.2		



	these two advisors shall be treated as a unit; if an unauthorised person gives advice the umpire shall hold up a red card and send him or her away from the playing area.  3.5.1.3 Players may receive advice at any time except during rallies and between the end of practice and the start of a match; if any authorised person gives advice illegally the umpire shall hold up a yellow card to warn him or her that any further such offence will result in his or her dismissal from the playing area (version effective from 1 <sup>st</sup> October 2016).  Effective date: 1 October 2016	
	Proposed by the Rules Committee	
22	To amend 3.5.1:  3.5.1 Advice 3.5.1.3 Players may receive advice at any time except during rallies and between the end of practice and the start of the match; provided that continuity of play is not affected (3.4.4.1); if any authorised person gives advice illegally the umpire shall hold up a yellow card to warn him or her that any further such offence will result in his or her dismissal from the playing area.  Effective date: 1 October 2016	Passed
23	To amend 4.1.2.2.1, to add 4.1.2.2.2 through 4.1.2.2.5, to renumber following paragraphs on 4.1.2.2 and to add 4.1.3.1.1:  4.1.2.2 Organisers shall provide accommodation and meals from the evening lunch on the day before the Championships begin until the breakfast on the day after the Championships end for  4.1.2.2.1 up to five male and five female qualified players nominated by an Association for World Individual Championships not more than 3 men and 3 women players nominated by an Association;  4.1.2.2.2 up to five male players nominated by an Association qualified for the men's team event for the World Team Championships  4.1.2.2.3 up to five female players nominated by an Association qualified for the women's team event for the World Team Championships  4.1.2.2.4 one coach nominated by an Association qualified for the men's team event for the World Team Championships  4.1.2.2.5 one coach nominated by an Association qualified for the women's team event for the World Team Championships  4.1.2.2.62 1 delegate to the AGM from each Association if he on she is not	Withdrawn
	already included in the nominated players listed above;//  4.1.3.1 Only an Association which is not in arrears (1.16.3.3) and has taken part with at least one player or team (an entry) in its	



	preceding Continental Championships, including qualification tournaments, or Continental Games, shall be eligible to enter teams or individual players in the Championships.  4.1.3.1.1 Only individual players and teams who have qualified to participate in the World Championships may be entered.	
	Proposed by the Oceania Table Tennis Federation	
	To amend 4.1.9.3: (only if proposition 23 has been passed)	
24	4.1.9.3 The system of play in team and individual events, the system of qualification in team <b>and individual</b> events and their implementation dates shall be decided by the Board of Directors, on the recommendation of the Technical Commissioner, and the Competition Program and the Marketing Program.	Withdrawn
	Proposed by the Executive Committee	
	To amend 4.1.2.2:	
	4.1.2.2 Organisers shall provide accommodation and meals from the evening lunch on the day before the Championships begin until the-breakfast on the day after the Championships end for:	
	4.1.2.2.1 not more than <b>2</b> 3 men and <b>2</b> 3 women players nominated by an Association;	
	4.1.2.2.2 1 delegate to the AGM from each Association if he is not already included in the nominated players listed above;	
25	4.1.2.2.3 members of the Executive Committee, the Board of Directors and the Olympic and Paralympic Commission, full members of committees, and the Technical and Women in Sport Commissioners;	Passed
	4.1.2.2.4 up to 3 members of the Doping Control Panel appointed by the Sports Science and Medical Committee;	
	4.1.2.2.5 up to 8 members of the Athletes' Commission not already included in the nominated players list;	
	4.1.2.2.6 Honorary Presidents;	
	4.1.2.2.7 Personal Honorary Members;	
	4.1.2.2.8 members of the President's Advisory Council;	
	4.1.2.2.97 International Umpires, and Referees and Evaluators from other Associations invited in accordance with the ITTF directives for match officials at World Title Competitions issued by the ITTF;	
	4.1.2.2.108 up to 7 members of the ITTF staff including 1 assisting the Doping Control Panel.	
	Proposed by the Fiji Table Tennis Association	



	To amend	4.1.3.3 and 4.1.3.4:	
	4.1.3.2	In addition to provisions of 3.8, players who have acquired a new nationality and wish to represent the association corresponding to the new nationality shall register with ITTF through this new Association	
26	4.1.3.3 4.1.3.3.1	Such player shall not represent the new Association before: 3 years after the date of registration, if the player is under the age of 15 when registered, but only 1 year after the date of registration if the player has never represented another association;	Defeated
	4.1.3.3.2	1 or 2 year after the date of registration, if the player is under the age of 16 but at least 15 years when registered and has never represented another association and has lived in the country of his/her new nationality since the age of 6	
	4.1.3.3. <b>3</b>	2-3 years after the date of registration, if the player is under 17 but at least 16 years when registered and has never represented another association and has lived in the country of his/her new nationality since the age of 8	
	4.1.3.3. <b>4</b>	4 years after the date of registration, if the player is under 18 but at least 17 years when registered and has never represented another association and has lived in the country of his/her new nationality since the age of 10	
		5 years after the date of registration, if the player is under the age of 18 but at least 15 years of age when registered and has already represented another association	
	4.1.3.3.6 3	5 years after the date of registration, if the player is under the age of 19 and at least 18 years of age when registered and has never represented another association and has lived in the country of his/her new nationality since the age of 12	
	4.1.3.3. <b>7</b> 3	7 years after the date of registration, if the player is under the age of of 21 and at least 18 years of age when registered	
	4.1.3.3. <b>8</b> 4	7 years after the date of registration, if the player being 21 years of age or ol- der at the time of registration and has never represented another association and has lived in the country of his/her new nationality since the age of 15.	
	4.1.3.4	Players being 21 years of age or older who have already represented another association will not be registered with the ITTF and will not be eligible to represent a new association at World Championships	
	Proposed	by the Executive Committee	
	To amend	4.2.2.2:	
27	4.2.2.2	Organisers shall provide accommodation and meals from the evening lunch on the day before the Championships begin until the breakfast on the day after the Championships end for	Passed
	4.2.2.2.1	not more than 2 boys players nominated by an Association eligible for the boys team event; not more than 2 girls players nominated by an Association	
		eligible for the girls team event;	



30	Proposed by the Executive Committee  To amend in Chapter 5:  Scope - Definition of IL Athletes  Within the overall pool of Athletes set out above who are bound by and required to comply with these Anti-Doping Rules, the following Athletes in the Registered Testing Pool-shall be considered to be International-Level Athletes for purposes of these Anti-Doping Rules, and therefore the specific provisions in these Anti-Doping Rules applicable to International-Level Athletes (as regards Testing but also as regards TUEs, whereabouts information, results management, and appeals) shall apply to such Athletes:  The first 250 Men and 200 Women in the General List of ITTF World Ranking, available on <a href="http://www.ittf.com/ittf_ranking/">http://www.ittf.com/ittf_ranking/</a> , and, The following Athletes in the Para Table Tennis rating, available on <a href="http://www.ipttc.org/rating/">http://www.ipttc.org/rating/</a>	<b>Passed</b> as amended	
29	responsible for its safe keeping including the arrangement of insurance. The cost of insurance and of inscription of winners' names, which in team events should include any non-playing captain, shall be borne by the ITTF the Association whose team or player wins a trophy.		
28	4.1.9.5 There shall not be more than 128 places in the first round proper of a singles and mixed doubles event nor not more than 64 places in the first round proper of a men's, and women's and mixed doubles event, unless otherwise authorised by the Executive Committee.  Proposed by the Executive Committee	Passed	
	Associations invited in accordance with the ITTF directives for match officials at World Title Competitions issued by the ITTF;  4.2.2.2.8 up to 7 3-members of the ITTF staff.  Proposed by the Executive Committee		
	Sports Science Committee; 4.2.2.2.6 up to 2 ITTF Committee or Commission Chairs nominated by the Executive Committee; 4.2.2.2.7 International Umpires, and Referees and Evaluators from other		
	Commission <b>er</b> ; 4.2.2.2.5 up to 2 members of the Doping Control Panel appointed by the		
	4.2.2.2.3 not more than 1 coach of an Association participating in 1 or 2 team events; 4.2.2.2.4 members of the ITTF Executive Committee and the Junior		



	Men	Women
Class 1-5 (Sitting)	Top 80	Top 30
Class 6-10 (Standing)	Тор 90	Top 30
Class 11 (Mentally impaired)	Top 15	Top 10

**5.5.2.1**: Art. 5.3, not 5.5.3

#### 5.7.1.2

The Executive Committee shall appoint a Doping Review Panel consisting of a Chair and 2 other members with experience in anti-doping. Each panel member shall serve a term of four years. In each case the Chair of the panel shall appoint 1 or more members of the panel (which may include the Chair) to ITTF Anti-Doping Manager or his/her delegate, or, as may be requested by ITTF, an ad-hoc Doping Review Panel (which may include the ITTF Anti-Doping Manager or his/her delegate) appointed by the ITTF CEO, consisting of a Chair and at least two other members with experience in anti-doping and/or investigations, shall conduct the review discussed in Articles 5.7.2, 5.7.3, 5.7.4, 5.7.5, 5.7.6, and 5.7.7 of any potential violations of these Anti-Doping Rules.

**5.7.6:** Replace "Violations" with "Failures"

**5.7.7.7**: Replace with 5.7.7

**5.7.7.8**: Replace with 5.7.8

# **Appendix 1 - Definitions**

# Event Period:

The time between the beginning and end of an *Event*, as established by the ruling body of the *Event*. For ITTF, it means from the day before the first day of the *Competition*, to the last day of the *Competition*, inclusive.

<u>Event Venues</u>: Those venues so designated by the ruling body for the <u>Event</u>. For ITTF, it means that part of the event building used for Table Tennis and its related activities, facilities and public area (as in 3.2.4.5)

<u>International Event:</u> An <u>Event</u> or Competition where the International Olympic Committee, the International Paralympic Committee, an International Federation, a <u>Major Event Organisation</u>, or another international sport organisation is the ruling body for the <u>Event</u> or appoints the technical officials for the <u>Event</u>. **ITTF** 

International Events can be downloaded on

http://www.ittf.com/\_front\_page/ittf2.asp?category=calendar

Effective date: immediate



	Proposed by the Equipment Committee	
31	To modify Technical Leaflets:	
31	T1 Table (update) T3 Balls (update)	Passed Passed
	T6 Table Tennis Flooring (update)	Passed

The Board considered the following resolutions, which required a simple majority of the votes cast:

	Proposed by the Executive Committee	
С	That the ITTF Marketing Division researches the possibility of a different form of table tennis in order to attract youth to our sport.	Passed
	Proposed by Palestine Table Tennis Federation	
	Increasing number of players in each team (match) representing each national association in WTTC for teams from 3 to 5 players	
	As you may know, it is allowed to participate in WTTC for teams with only 3 players in each match, this has its negative and positive sides.	
	Here are some positive sides when participating with 5 players instead of 3, keeping the present format as it is (best of 5 matches), or no. of matches could be increased to 7 matches upon your approval, as follows:	
D	1- Helps in spreading the sport, activate different levels 2- Helps in increasing no. of essential players worldwide 3- Helps in giving hope, ambition to 4th, 5th levels players to represent their countries 4- Helps in giving a real chance for all 4th, 5th levels players to represent their countries 5- Helps not always depending on only level 1, level 2 players with the possibility of no participation for any reason. And also for the purpose of not degrading players from levels 4, 5 6- Participation of levels 4, 5 players in playing against levels 1, 2 players will help in determining their levels, how far they are technically and psychologically prepared, which will add power to the sport 7- Helps in not bringing despair, giving in to countries, national teams when player no. 1 or 2 is being defeated. 8- Helps in selecting coaches when increasing the range of competition, no. of participants and paying more attention to players from levels 4, 5. 9- Strongly helps, media wise in forcing TT fans to follow the game, results. 10- Helps increasing level of enthusiasm for participating teams and gathering around their national teams. 11- Helps in increasing training and TT activities for coaches that will contribute in increasing competition levels, intensifying training and raise the level of the game. 12- Helps in increasing scientific research, invention, development by the sport's experts in the world and enhancing research for the purpose of wining. 13- Helps in enlarging countries interest, increasing sponsorships and paying more attention to Table Tennis in their countries and for their national teams.	Defeated



In addition to more goals that may help in spreading, developing and keeping	
Table Tennis as no. 1 sport and master of all sports worldwide.	

- 6. Code of Ethics and Compliance: covered together with agenda 7.
- 7. Code of Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions: the 2016 AGM approved to add to its constitutional objectives the principles of these two Codes with immediate effect. The Codes will be based on the same policies of the IOC and the draft documents will be finalized after consultation with the IOC Ethics and Compliance Office.

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The Board resolved to authorize the Executive Committee to approve the Code of Ethics and Compliance and the Code of Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions with the effect of 1 September 2016.

- 8. <u>Committee structure (Terms of Reference)</u>: the updated list of ITTF committees was distributed after the appointment of the Nominations Committee. Chairs of each committee were requested to give input on updating their Terms of Reference, which will be determined by the Executive Committee before the next nominations for committees.
- 9. <u>Updates of Technical Leaflets</u>: decisions covered under Propositions No. 31
  - T3 (The Ball) all temporarily released specifications were removed as of 1 January 2016, except one amendment to fix the maximum limit of the bounce conformity at 265 mm instead of 260 mm to allow all suppliers to be compliant and for better performance as requested by the Athletes Commission.

## 10. World Championships

- 10.1 <u>2016 World Junior Championships (South Africa)</u> the Board noted updates on the championships in Cape Town
- 10.2 <u>2017 and 2018 World Junior Championships bids</u> Poland withdrew the bid for the 2017 WJTTC, so Italy was requested to check if they are ready to host the WJTTC in 2017 instead of 2018.

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The Board resolved to allocate the World Junior Championships to the Italian Table Tennis Federation to be held in Riva del Garda preferably in 2017, or in 2018, and the bid has to be re-opened for the other year pending on FITET decision by the end of March 2016.

- 10.3 Confirmation of number of teams for 2018 (Sweden):
- At the 2016 WTTC the maximum number of entries was capped at 96-96, in reality there were 89 men's and 80 women's teams participating, leaving the 4<sup>th</sup> Division incomplete.
- Swedish Table Tennis Association was requested by the BoD in 2014 to confirm the number of teams they could accommodate at the 2018 WTTC.



- STTA reported the hotel situation being worse due to the migration crisis and made a venue floor evaluation proposing to the ITTF to consider as optimal 72-72 teams, but respecting any decision the BoD takes.
- Reference was made to the earlier presentation of the ITTF Marketing Director, highlighting the difficulties with the current WTTC format and size.
- Discussion took place on necessity of creating a Working Group to study the structure and the format of the future ITTF major events, consisting of EC and Continental representatives and key staff from different programmes – also covered under agenda 15.1
- The "2016 Planning and Promotion" Working Group was entrusted to come up with a proposal by the end of the year also covered under agenda 15.1
- It was urged not to delay a change on the WTTC any further, and if there is a change, a qualification model and a quota system has to be set up to guarantee a balanced continental participation and strong connection to the continental championships.

#### 4-BOD-03-2016

Based on the Swedish organisers' update report, the Board decided to have maximum 72 men's and 72 women's teams at the 2018 World Championships, and gave the mandate to the Working Group to propose further changes within this limit if their conclusion on future ITTF events is different and if the implementation of the changes is realistic.

- 11. World Cups and World Tour update: the Board noted presentation including statistics by the CEO.
- 12. Global Junior Programme
  - 12.1 <u>Update on 2015 World Cadet Challenge, World Junior Circuit and WJC Final</u>: the Board noted report and presentation by the Executive Vice President in charge of the GJP
  - 12.2 <u>Bids for World Cadet Challenge and World Junior Circuit Finals (2016-2017)</u>: the Board noted that the World Junior Circuit Finals will be allocated by the Executive Committee at its next meeting.

## 5-BOD-03-2016

The Board resolved to allocate:

- the 2016 World Cadet Challenge to Shanghai, China
- the 2017 World Cadet Challenge to Suva, Fiji
- 13. Ratification of the work done by the committees, commissions and commissioners:

#### 6-BOD-03-2016

The Board resolved to ratify the work done by the committees, commissions and commissioners.

- 14. Next meeting: the Board noted that its next meeting would be held in Düsseldorf on 2 June 2017
- 15. Any other business
  - 15.1 World Championships system and the future of the ITTF events:



- The presentation of the ITTF Marketing Director highlighted the difficulties with the current WTTC format and size and was already shared with the Executive Committee and with the Continental Presidents.
- Discussion took place on necessity of creating a Working Group to study the structure and the format of the future ITTF major events, consisting of EC and Continental representatives and key staff from different programmes.
- Definition and deadline of the work to be identified, outside consultants to be invited.

#### 7-BOD-03-2016

The Board resolved to set up the "2016 Planning and Promotion" Working Group with the mandate to study the structure and the format of future ITTF major events and to make proposal by the end of 2016.

The Working Group is composed by:

Shi Zhihao - Chair, Executive Committee representative

Continental Presidents or their appointees

Vladimir Samsonov - Athletes Commission Chair

Glenn Tepper - Deputy CEO in charge of DET

Steve Dainton - Marketing Director

- 15.2 <u>Kiribati development project:</u> the Board noted the video presentation on "ITTF developing Kiribati"
- 15.3 <u>ITTF Media Committee member status</u>: the Egypt Table Tennis Association officially requested to withdraw Mr. Wael Senousy from the ITTF Media Committee, after the ETTA Board revoked its consent to be their representative on the committee.

#### 8-BOD-03-2016

The Board unanimously accepted the request of the Egypt Table Tennis Association to withdraw its member, Wael Senousy from the ITTF Media Committee.

- 15.4 <u>New PAC member:</u> Walter Rönmark (Sweden) announced his resignation from the Board of Directors to give his place to younger persons and to offer his advice if needed. After the resignation, the President appointed Mr. Rönmark to the President's Advisory Council (PAC) with the effect of March 2016.
- 15.5 <u>Deciding equal votes on EC:</u> having 10 persons on the Executive Committee, question was raised how equal votes for EC are decided. The issue was referred to the next EC meeting.
- 16. Adjournment

There being no further busine	s, the meeting ended at 14h25
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Thomas Weikert Meeting Chairman	Date	

Function	Name	Present
EC	Thomas Weikert	
	Khalil Al Mohannadi	
	Patrick Gillmann	
	Chérif Hajem	
	Masahiro Maehara	
	Melecio Rivera	
	Shi Zhihao	
	Petra Sörling	
	Bruce Burton	
Continental Presidents		
Africa	Khaled El-Salhy	
Asia	Cai Zhenhua	
Europe	Ronald Kramer	
Latin America	Juan Vila	
North America	Anton Kiesenhofer	
Oceania	James Morris	
Continental Representatives Africa		
	Berthe Bakhary	
	Henri Djombo	Apology
	Monqid El Hajji	
	Fortuné Luc Olivier Guezo	Apology
	Thomas Kiggundu	
	Olabanji Oladapo	
	Phillipe Hao Thyn Voon	

Continental Representatives Asia		
	Ali Sultan Al Muftah	
	Afshin Badiee	
	Thana Chaiprasit	
	Dhanraj Choudhary	
	Park Do Cheon	
	Mohammad Sibtain	
	Tony Yue	
<b>Continental Representat</b>	ives Europe	
	Zdenko Kriz	
	Dorte Darfelt	
	Ivo-Goran Munivrana	
	Alexander Murdoch	Apology
	Christian Palierne	
	Cristinel Romanescu	
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	Teddy Matthews	
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	Gordon Kaye	
Continental Representatives Oceania		
	Anthony Ho	
	Graeme Ireland	
	Paul Kyle	

<b>Commission Chair</b>	With a vote	
Athletes' Commission	Vladimir Samsonov	
Committee Chair	No vote	
Equipment	Federico Lineros	
Media	Arne Madsen	
Nominations	Chan Foong Keong	
Rules	Rudolf Sporrer	
Sports science	Miran Kondric	
URC	Ronald Wee	
Veterans	Reto Bazzi	
Women in Sport	Hajera Kajee	
PAC	No vote	
	George Segun	
	André Damman	Apology
	Jane Pinto	
	Neil Harwood	
	Shahrokh Shahnazi	Apology
	Radivoj Hudetz	
	Igor Levitin	Apology
	Eberhard Schöler	
	Koji Kimura	

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