



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

of a meeting of the Executive Committee held on Saturday **22 May 2010** at 14h05 in the Holiday Inn Sushevsky, Moscow, Russia.

1. **President's welcome and opening remarks**

Due to the late arrival of the President in Moscow and the absence of the Deputy President, the President had requested in advance that Mr Harwood chair the meeting on his behalf. The members for the Executive Committee unanimously agreed to appoint Mr Harwood as the chairperson of the meeting. Mr Harwood would also make the opening speech at the opening ceremony.

The Vice-President (Finance) welcomed the Executive Committee to Moscow.

2. **Roll call**

Neil Harwood	Executive Vice-President (Finance) in the chair
Khalil Al-Mohannadi	Executive Vice-President
Chérif Hajem	Executive Vice-President
Koji Kimura	Executive Vice-President
Melecio Rivera	Executive Vice-President
Petra Sörling	Executive Vice-President
Thomas Weikert	Executive Vice-President

In attendance

Mikael Andersson	Executive Director (Education and Training)
Alison Burchell	Secretariat
Steve Dainton	Director (Marketing)
Judit Faragó	Executive Director (Competitions)
Jordi Serra	Executive Director (Operations & Olympic Games)
Glenn Tepper	Executive Director (Development)
Anders Thunström	Managing Director, TMS International

Apologies

Adham Sharara	President
Yang Shu'an	Deputy President

3. **Approval of Agenda:** the agenda was approved as presented.

4. Minutes

4.1 Approval of Minutes of previous meeting: the Executive Committee approved the minutes of the meeting held in Rotterdam on 13 March 2010.

4.2 Business arising from the Minutes: there was no business arising not covered by the current agenda. The Executive Committee noted that item 10.2 on its next agenda was the continuation of the discussion from the previous meeting on means to fill a vacancy on the Executive Committee.

5. World Championships update: the Executive Committee noted:

5.1 WTTTC Moscow 2010:

- the preparation of the venue had been ahead of schedule;
- the set up of the Museum and exhibition stands had been delayed;
- transport would respect the schedule from 23 May 2010;
- the visa process had generally worked adequately;
- the Athletics qualification event for the Youth Olympic Games had stretched the organisational capacity of the organisers;
- the Russian authorities had accepted the ITTF identity confirmation documents and it seemed that the Kosovo delegation will be allowed to enter Russia;
- 111 men's and 83 women's teams had arrived and 3 were pending (Albania, Democratic Republic of Congo and Sierra Leone);
- for the first time, the local results management system was being run by the ITTF and was linked directly to the website and all electronic displays in the venue.

The Executive Committee agreed to meet, if it was necessary, on 23 May 2010 at 09h00 once the status of Kosovo's participation was clear. The Executive Committee also thanked the staff for the work done in preparing the World Championships.

5.2 Selection WTTTC 2013:

- the site inspection documents had been included in the AGM documents;
- presentations would be done at the beginning of the AGM.

6. TMS update

- the venue had been well set up from a commercial perspective;
- a new show-court table was being used for the World Championships;
- NTV+, the satellite channel, had been confirmed as the host broadcaster;
- interest from European broadcasting was limited;
- Asia and the Middle East had generated good interest from broadcasters;
- itTV would cover the matches, with one camera for the first day but with television feed from 25 May 2010;
- advertisements would be run on itTV, the revenue would cover extra production costs;
- the banners around the city and at the airport added value to the sponsors.

7. Letter of warning about anti-doping: the Executive Committee noted that late in 2009 and early 2010, 3 players from 1 association had missed doping tests and agreed that the Executive Director (Operations and Olympic Games) issue a letter of warning to the Singapore Table Tennis Association. The Executive Committee asked the Executive Director (Operations and Olympic Games) to remind associations of the responsibility of associations and players to keep the athlete's whereabouts up to date at all times.

8. Any other business

8.1 Membership application: Norfolk Island had submitted their application after the constitutional deadline for applications for membership. The EC agreed to present their application to the AGM for consideration.

9. Adjournment: there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 15h30.

Neil Harwood, Chairperson

Date