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CONGRESS 2015

DUBLIN (IRELAND) – February 7th 2015

Andre Van Overbeek opens the Congress

I. Roll Call

Affiliated Federations represented by Accredited Delegates with Credentials:

AUSTRIA, BELGIUM, BULGARIA, CROATIA, CZECH REPUBLIC, DENMARK, FRANCE, GERMANY, GREAT BRITAIN, HUNGARY, IRELAND, ISRAEL, ITALY, JERSEY, MALTA, NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, POLAND, ROMANIA, SAN MARINO, SERBIA, SLOVENIA, SPAIN, SWITZERLAND, SWEDEN.

Affiliated Federations absent:

FINLAND, GUERNSEY, GREECE, LITHUANIA, SLOVAKIA, RUSSIA, TURKEY, UKRAINE

Each present Federation has provided a proof of payment of its Membership Fees.

There are 33 Federations affiliated, 25 Federations duly represented, 25 Federations with the right of vote, the Congress is quorate. (ABSOLUTE MAJORITY IS 16)

*ISF President Dale McMann addresses the Congress

*President of Softball Ireland, Colum Lavery welcomes the attendants of the Congress

*Little League Award presented by Daniel P. Velte (Director of League Development and Affiliation) to Czech Republic

II. Approval of the Minutes of 2014 Congress

The Minutes of 2014 Congress is approved by 24, 1 abstained.

III. Admission of new Federations

Lithuanian Softball Federation parted ways with Lithuanian Baseball Federation. Lithuanian Softball Federation delivered official application letter and a copy confirming a recognition from NOC.

Admission of the Lithuanian Softball Federation approved by unanimity.

IV. Suspension or exclusion of Federations

Existence of the Greek National Federation was revoked by NOC for insufficient number of teams. The softball organization exists under Gymnastics Greek Federation for now.

V. Approval of the activities report 2014

The activities report is approved by unanimity

VI. Approval of the financial report 2014

The financial report is approved by unanimity.



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VII. Approval of the budget 2015

The budget 2014 is approved by 24 votes, 1 against

VIII. Appointment of the Auditor

On the proposal of the Treasurer, Mr. Mark de Permentier is re-appointed as Auditor by unanimity.

IX. Membership fees and special contributions

No discussion

X. Approval of activities to be carried out

XI. Amendments to the Statutes

None

XII. Motions and other Matters

XII. 1 – MOTIONS FOR AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS proposed by Affiliated Federations

None

XII. 2 – MOTIONS FOR AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS proposed by the Executive Council

- *8.2.5 Non Affiliated Federations, Individuals or Teams not within the Jurisdiction of the ESF on exclusive, objective and limited aspects of the playing of Softball and in the case of a non affiliated federation, have proven to the ESF of having a viable Softball programme.
Date of effect: Immediately at the end of the Congress.*

Motion approved by 23 votes, 1 against, 1 abstain

- *5.1.2. The President is the Legal Official representative of the ESF in all public matters. He represents the ESF in the international sporting organizations and notwithstanding Art. 4.03 (a) of the International Softball Federation Constitution, shall be one of the Vice Presidents of the International Softball Federation. He calls and chairs the General Congress and the Executive Council.
Date of effect: Immediately at the end of the Congress.*

Motion approved by 22 votes, 3 against

XII. 3 – MATTERS BY CONGRESS COMMITTEES

- Technical and Competitions committee:
 - Individual awards won't be given by ESF anymore
 - Contribution to Cups were established for all Cups for 100€



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XII. 4 – HALL OF FAME

- Jen Terkelsen from Denmark was inducted into the ESF Hall of fame

XIII. Appointment of Organizers of Competitions

XIII. 1 Calendar of 2015 Events:

Calendar of 2014 Events:

The Championship Cadet Girls – EChCG is allotted to Nuoro (ITA), Jun. 29th – Jul. 4th.
The Championship Junior Men – EChJM is allotted to Most (CZE), Jul. 13th – Jul. 18th.
The Championship Women – EChW is allotted to Rosmalen (NED), Jul. 20th – 25th.
The Championship Coed Slowpitch – EChCS is allotted to Dupnitsa (BUL), Jul. 28th – Aug. 1st.
The Super Cup Junior Women - ESCJW is allotted to Ostrava (CZE) Jul. 6th – 11th
The M. Romeo Youth Trophy is organized in Collecchio, Parma (ITA) Aug. 12th – 15th.
The Premiere Cup Women - EPCW is allotted to Prague, Eagles (CZE) Aug. 17th – 22nd.
The Cup Winners Cup Women – ECWCW is allotted to Prague, Joudrs (CZE) Aug. 17th – 22nd.
The Cup Women - ECW is allotted to Dupnitsa (BUL) Aug. 17th – 22nd.
The Super Cup Men – ESCM is allotted Prague, Radotín and Tempo (CZE) Aug. 24th – 29th.

2016 Events

The Championship U22 Women – EChU22W is allotted to Pardubice (CZE) Jul. 4th – 9th
The Championship Men – EChM is allotted to Montegranaro (ITA), Jul. 25th – 30th
The Championship Junior Women – EChJW – **NOMINATION OPENED**

XIV. Election to the Executive Council

No Elections

XV. Place of 2016 Congress

The location of the next Congress is open for the EC to decide including considering the possibility again of a Joint Congress with CEB

XVI. Various

None

Closing of the Congress

André VAN OVERBEEK
President

Ami Baran
Secretary General