



**EKF General Assembly 2017
Budapest, Hungary**

Dear Friends,

We hope to meet you again on the occasion of the 28th European Kendo Championships in Budapest, Hungary. By invitation circulated in February 2017 you have been informed that the EKF General Assembly 2017 will be held on **Thursday, 11th May, 2017 at 14:00 – 19:00 hours (changes possible, but not starting earlier)**. Coffee break is foreseen at 16.00. The venue is:

Danubius Hotel Flamenco, Tas vezér utca 3-7., 1113 Budapest, Hungary
It is the Official EKC Hotel.

To allow for a quick and orderly start, we would like you – to the extent you did not already do so - to fill out beforehand the **answer form** that has been sent to you with the invitation and return it by mail as indicated to the Secretary General.

Invited to this General Assembly are:

- **1 (one) voting representative** from each EKF Member Country, who may be accompanied by an observer. Countries not present may be represented by proxy. Please send the proxy to EKF Secretary General in good time prior to the meeting.
- **The EKF Directors in the FIK;**
- One or two **observer(s)** from countries having filed or wishing to file a formal application;
- One or two **observer(s) from FIK;**
- Members of the Senior Councillor Group (Art. 7 EKF-Statutes)
- **The EKF Officers**, Auditor included, i.e. President (PR), Vice-President (VPR), Technical Director (TD), Treasurer (TR) and Auditor.

After the General Assembly, participants are invited to EKF Dinner Party which will take place between 19:00-22:00. The dinner is located in Hotel Danubius, room to be announced. Please confirm your presence by using the answer form.

This time the traditional EKF – Ji-geiko will be organised at the EKC venue at 10.00 – 11.00. Transport from the Official hotel will be provided.

Please discuss the Agenda with your members beforehand and, if ever you do not agree with text proposals, be ready to have written alternatives at hand.

On behalf of EKF Board of Officers, Sincerely Yours,

Pekka Nurminen, EKF Secretary General



EKF GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2017

AGENDA

- 1. Listing of the Representatives**
 - 1.1 Registration of the representatives' and observers' names and eventual absences;**
 - 1.2 Checking for the EKF membership fee payments; if the fee has not been paid in due time, the country in question will lose its right to vote.**

- 2. Opening and Report by the EKF President (PR)**
 - 2.1 The President will evaluate in short last year's activities and events and comment on the future developments from his perspective.**

- 3. G.A. Minutes Skopje 2016**
 - 3.1 Formal approval of the minutes of the Skopje G.A. 2016, which have been sent to the Member Countries according to Art. 05.09 EKF-Statutes and have been published on the EKF website.**

No remarks have been received in the statutory deadline. The published version is approved unchanged.

- 4. Report by the EKF Vice-President (VPR)**
 - 4.1 The Vice-President will comment on his term of function.**
 - 4.2 The Vice-President will give his comments on the EKF Web-site (www.ekf-eu.com) and online-data system and comment on the experiences so far with the cooperation with Member Countries' Administrators, especially as regard to exams and grading registrations.**
 - 4.3 The Vice-President will comment on the state of affairs regarding the EKF anti-doping commission.**
 - 4.4 In the context of the Anti-Doping Discussion, Dr. Masako Miyasaka, Chair of the FIK Anti-Doping Committee, will give a short presentation, followed by discussion. Any decision will be made under point 13, Future Championships.**



5. Report by the EKF Treasurer (TR)

- 5.1 The Treasurer will present the EKF Financial Report 2016 (a copy is attached for your reference), comment on the report and give the word to the Reserve Auditor for his comments, if present;
- 5.2 The Treasurer will answer questions about and ask for official agreement on this report and its audit.
- 5.3 The Treasurer will present a proposal for the 2018 budget and ask for approval (see the attached copy);

6. Report by the Secretary-General

- 6.1 The Secretary General will give his comments on the administrative side of the EKF activities;
- 6.2 The Secretary General will give his comments on the EKF Web-site (www.ekf-eu.com) and online-data system and comment on the experiences so far, especially as regards to events, events registration and communication between the EKF Board and member Federations.

7. Report by the Technical Director (TD)

- 7.1 The Technical Director will present the EKF Activity Report 2016:
 - European Kendo Championships 2016 (Skopje, (FY) Republic of Macedonia);
 - European Jodo Championships 2016 (Magglingen, Switzerland);
 - European Iaido Championships 2016 (Budapest, Hungary);
 - The 26th European Referee Seminar 2017 (Brussels, Belgium).
 - Other major events with EKF 6th and 7th Dan Exams.



7.2 The Technical Director will further:

- Continue the reflection on the future of European Kendo Championships, in light of rule changes for and experiences of the 2016 and preparations for the 2017 EKC.
- Present dates and places for next examinations for 6th and 7th dan in Europe;
- Present the dates of future EKF activities;
- Present the date for the 27th edition of the FIK/EKF Referee Seminar on the first weekend of February 2018 (2-4 February, in Brussels), and present its content;
- Comment on the EKF Referee selection procedure leading to EKC 2017. Comment on the German proposals on selection of the shimpan-shunin. Any decision to be made under point 13, Future Championships.
- Other future aspects of EKC, EIC & EJC.

8. Expulsion of Andorran FADKEN

In accordance with to Article 10 of the EKF Statutes, and according to the mandate given by the General Assembly 2016 in Skopje, the Board of Officers propose the General Assembly that FADKEN, Federació Andorrana de Kendo be expelled from the EKF due to continuous breach of membership obligations.

The intention was notified to Andorra and all Member Countries in the GA invitation in February 2017.

Vice-President and Treasurer will present the case.

According to Article 10 (5) the decision requires two-thirds (2/3) majority of members present in the General Assembly.

9. COFFEE BREAK

10. Elections of the Board of Officers (Art. 06 EKF-Statutes)

10.1 Procedure

Ref: Article 6 of the EKF Statutes:

“Proposals for persons to be elected as officers including the persons holding already an office shall be notified by the Member Countries or in case of the Officers, by themselves, to the



Secretary General not later than two months prior to the meeting of the G.A. in order to allow the Secretary-General to include the proposals in the agenda (Article 05.07). If no proposals have been filed in time and if at least one third (1/3) of the representatives present agrees, further persons may be nominated. The proposals shall include personal information on and the motivation of the candidate and specify for which office the person is nominated.”

The proposals received are listed below and the CVs and motivations of new candidates are attached to the meeting documents.

“The vote will take place by secret ballot. The President may turn over the chair of the G.A. only for the voting procedure to the most senior (by age) representative of a Member Country present. If the candidates choose so, they may leave the G.A. during the voting procedure. The person taking the chair shall chair and supervise the voting procedure and shall keep minutes of the conduct and the results of the election. He may choose suitable persons to assist him in the procedure from the present representatives.”

It is proposed that the outgoing President Alain Ducarme will chair the Assembly for the voting procedure.

It is proposed that if there is only one candidate, the vote will be an open vote, and if clear majority is found, the person is elected by acclamation.

For the election of the Vice-President, a secret ballot will take place. The President will ask three tellers to assist him in counting the votes.

Persons to take the following offices shall be elected for the next term of three years:

- EKF President;
- EKF Secretary-General;
- EKF Treasurer;
- EKF Technical Director;
- 3 EKF Directors to FIK
- EKF Auditor

It is proposed that the elections take place separately per office.



10.2 The following candidatures and related declarations have been received:

Mr **Dieter Hauck**, Austria, longstanding EKF Vice-President, is available as a candidate for the office of EKF **President**;

Mr **Zsolt Vadadi**, Hungary, longstanding EKF Treasurer, is available as a candidate for the office of EKF **Vice-President**;

Mr **Spiros Drossoulakis**, President of the Hellenic Kendo Iaido and Naginata Federation, is available as a candidate for the office of EKF **Vice President**;

Mr **Pekka Nurminen**, Finland, long-standing Secretary General, is available as a candidate for the office of EKF **Secretary-General**;

Mr **Jean-Pierre Raick**, France, longstanding EKF Technical Director, is available as a candidate for the office of EKF **Technical Director**;

Ms **Donatella Castelli**, Italy, former President of the CIK, is available as a candidate for the office of EKF **Treasurer**;

Mr **Eric Malassis**, France, President of CNK, is available as a candidate for the office of **FIK-Director**;

Mr **Gianfranco Moretti**, Italy, former President of CIK, is available as a candidate for the office of **FIK-Director representing Mr. Mauro Navilli, President of CIK**;

Mr. **Detlef Viebranz**, Germany, President of DKenB, is available as a candidate for the office of **FIK-Director**;

Mr. **Jindrich Ziegelheim**, Czech Republic, current Reserve Auditor, is available as a candidate for the office of EKF Auditor and Mr **Sorin Mahika**, Romania, is available as a candidate for Reserve Auditor.

10.3 The candidates may shortly present their candidature before the vote is taken.

10.4 All candidates reserve the right to finally accept their election when the full result thereof is known.

10.5 The elected PR shall take the chair; the Board of Officers shall take office and



continue the Agenda.

11. Other Points for Decisions

11.1 German proposal to nominate Mr. Alain Ducarme as Honorary President of EKF

Discussion, decision.

11.2 Appointing new member(s) to the Senior Councillor Group

Proposals, discussion, decision.

12. Affiliations

12.1 Lebanon

- Application documents are attached. File is formally complete as defined in EKF Statutes. The application is supported by two Member Countries.
- However, the Board of Officers does not recommend the approval of the application, due to the low number of practitioners. The Lebanese federation agrees to leave the application pending.
- Secretary General will present the item. Discussion and decision.

12.2 Other potential affiliations, contacts; other issues relating to EKF membership

- Presentation by the Secretary General and, if necessary, by Member Federations

13. EKF Relations with FIK and ZNKR

The EKF President will inform the G.A. on the latest developments; in particular

- Developments in EKF – ZNKR relations since Skopje GA 2016;
- Development on additional opportunities for 6th and 7th Dan exams in Europe;



- Developments in FIK after FIK General Assembly in Tokyo 2015;
- European membership in FIK;
- Developments in SportAccord;
- 17th WKC in Korea 2018; 18th WKC 2021 Candidatures from Europe
- Other developments and expectations for the future are presented by European FIK Directors or EKF Member Federations; if any.

14. Future Championships

14.1 Rules issue:

- EC rules governing exemption from nationality requirement (kendo, iaido, jodo): Need to standardise requirements and streamline procedure: TIMETABLE
- Kendo: German proposal for selection procedure of shimpan-shunin for the EKC
Anti-Doping: Discussion and possible decisions

14.2 EKC

- 29th EKC 2019 and 50th Anniversary of the EKF
 - Candidature of Belgrade, Serbia: Presentation of SKF
 - Discussion and final decision
- Announcement of future candidatures for 2020 and 2022.

14.3 EIC

- 24th EIC 2017 in Torino, Italy: Presentation by CIK.
- Announcement of future candidatures for 2018 and 2019.

14.4 EJC



- 16th EJC 2017 in Heidelberg, Germany; presentation by DKenB, DIaiB
- Announcement of further candidatures for 2018 - 2019;

15. Date of the next General Assembly

Approval of the date and venue of the next EKF GA: As usual, the next GA will take place in the context of the next WKC, in Incheon, Korea, the Wednesday before the WKC, on 12th September 2018.

16. Closing by the President

17. Invitation to the EKF Dinner later that evening

Persons as registered in advance by the answer form are invited to the EKF Dinner.

18. Attachments (Documents):

1. GA Answer Form
2. EKF Financial Report 2016
3. Budget 2018
4. Document relating to Elections
5. Documents relating to affiliation of Lebanon
6. German proposal for selection procedure of shimpan-shunin for EKC
7. German proposal for appointment of Honorary EKF President
8. FIK letter on Anti-Doping