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# ISBO Board meeting

Present: Matjaz Sustersic, Damir Ilic, Lidia Bomirska, Rene Lewicki, Daniel Gossen

Missing: Kasia Witwacka, Brock Turner, Ivica Vaskovic

## FSS hosting EC 2016

Hosting unanimously authorized by ISBO board, but the maximum amount of players must be adapted. Daniel will inform the organizers and handle the frame conditions.

## New payment and tournament modules

The tournament software for ophardt and the payment module will be ready for the first test periode in the next month. Rene and Daniel will prepare are mail to all members with more explanations.

## Nations Cup changes for 2015

ISBO Nations Cup competition is entering its third year now. In the past two years the competition format has been tested and evaluated extensively. We had very positive feedback from players and national federations, so we will continue in the direction that was set more than 2 years ago. Nonetheless, by implementing some minor modifications, the competition could be further improved in terms of its attractiveness for players and spectators. All this changed would already be valid for the ISBO Nations Cup 2015 competition.

#### **MODIFICATION NR. 1**

Existing rule: Not covered in existing Instructions for Organizers and Participating Nations.

#### Modificated/New rule

Current Champion and Vice-Champion are directly qualified for the next year's Final Tournament, but only under the condition that they compete at the next year's respective Regional Tournament as well. In case of winning their Regional Tournament, second placed team is then also qualified for the Final Tournament. If

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case of not winning their Regional Tournament, they and the winner of the Regional tournament are qualified for the Final Tournament.

## **Explanation**

By doing this we will give more chances to countries in regions with one strong team (like Sweden and Germany). The Champion and Vice-Champion would also have the possibility of playing the Regional tournament (where the result is not important for them) with younger players, so they could gather experiences.

# → Confirmed by ISBO Board

### **MODIFICATION NR. 2**

Existing rule: Not covered in existing Instructions for Organizers and Participating Nations.

### Modificated/New rule

A wild-card can be given to teams from other continents than Europe, so that they could take part at the ISBO Nations Cup competition as well. Two wild-cards are available per continent (Africa, Asia, North America with Carribean Islands and Central America, South America, Australia, with new Zealand and the Pacific nations). To receive a wild-card, national federations from other continents must apply for it till the end of April of the respective year. If there are more than 2 applications from the same continent, Regional tournaments must be played in accordance with ISBO.

### **Explanation**

There is some interest from other continents, so the competition should be open for them too. Nonetheless, there are few real competitions on other continents, so we cannot expect to have many nations from other continents participate yet. By introducing wild-card for them we will give them a chance to take part, if they want to. This is also a first step into developing this competition into a global speed badminton sports event.

## → Confirmed by ISBO Board

### **MODIFICATION NR. 3**

Existing rule: pt 4.5., pg 9 of existing Competition Mode Introduction

ISBO 1000p and 250p tournament dates must not overlap with the dates of ISBO Nations Cup tournaments. In order to avoid this, some dates must be reserved in advance for the ISBO Nations Cup tournaments before the start of a new season. For example, all regional tournaments must be played in two consecutive weekends in mid-April and the final tournament will be played during the last weekend of October. No other tournaments are allowed during this time-frame.

### Modificated/New rule

Regional tournaments must take place on one of the weekends in April of the respective year, while Final tournament must take place on one of the weekends in October of the respective year. Regional and Final tournaments can take place on the same weekend and venue as 250 or 500 points tournaments, but not the same weekend and venue as ISBO 1000p tournaments.

#### **Explanation**

Setting a loose timeframe is beneficial for organizers as it gives them more freedom in setting an appropriate date. Nonetheless, giving the competition a basic timeframe

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is also important for all parties involved in order for everyone to know when and what to expect of the new season. Adding a 250 or 500p tournament to an ISBO Nations Cup tournament on the same weekend and venue would give additional motivation to players to travel and play by lowering their costs. It would also benefit the ISBO Nations Cup tournament by having more spectators/players present. And surely, it will give more options and additional motivation to potential organizers.

## → Confirmed by ISBO Board

#### **MODIFICATION NR. 4**

Existing rule: Not covered in existing Instructions for Organizers and Participating Nations

#### Modificated/New rule

A team that cancels its participation after submitting the Players list or does not show up at the event itself, receives a 1-year (next year) ban on all ISBO Nations cup competitions.

## **Explanation**

If a team cancels its participation, some kind of punishment is appropriate. We don't want to ban a national team for a longer time period or punish it financially, so a 1-year ban is appropriate.

→ Suggestion not confirmed. New proposal: A team that cancels its participation after submitting the players list or does not show up at the event itself, receives a maximum fine of 1000Euro and a maximum 3-year ban on all ISBO Nations cup competitions. The ISBO Board will decide by individual conditions.

#### **MODIFICATION NR. 5**

Existing rule: not covered in existing Instructions for Organizers and Participating Nations

## Modificated/New rule

A "Media plan" with a detailed promotional strategy must be a part of every application to host a Final tournament. This document must be submitted together with the application itself and must describe the ways the organizer plans to promote the Final tournament (e.g. media sponsor, video film with interviews, billboards, ...).

#### **Explanation**

Better work on media coverage is required.

## → Confirmed by ISBO Board

### **MODIFICATION NR. 6**

Existing rule: Not covered in existing Instructions for Organizers and Participating Nations.

### Modificated/New rule

Live-stream of the Final tournament must be provided on the internet.

#### **Explanation**

Many players asked me about this and I believe it makes sense. All the modifications are aimed at improving our competition. If ISBO Board decides to confirm these modifications, they will be included in the existing documents and submitted to all

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ISBO member federations together with the applications to host the ISBO Nations Cup 2015 tournaments immediately after the ISBO Board confirmation.

# → Confirmed by ISBO Board

## Member fees

All members received the fee invoice for 2015.

Members must be informed to licensed all players in ophardt and to understand the different between member fee and players fee. Rene and Daniel will prepare an information mail.

## Report ISBO Sports Manager

- Access to all relevant plattforms (facebook, homepage,....)
- Status non-profit character: All documents are signed by notary. Next step: Send the official documents to the local district.
- Tournament documents adapted
- Some tournament dates switched
- Welcome mail prepared
- Member requests
- Improvement of ISBO structure and functioning
- Personal instruction send to all ISBO members
- Financial issues
- Slovenien Open: Bank account management
- Installed a faq platform on the website -> players should help to adapt and upgrade it.
- World championships 2015: government support
- Workshops and educations 2015

## → TODO anta alia

- Livestream for all 1000point tournaments and nations cup Daniel
- Reach non-profit character Daniel / Rene
- Mail with all relevant changes for 2015 to members Daniel / Rene
- Adapt changes for Nations cup requirements Matjaz
- WC2015 announcement Daniel
- Daniel will prepare a tournament list and share it with all executives. The biggest tournaments should be visited by minimum one board member. – enter in the list your name where you are going to be! – ALL
- Financial issues Lidia
- EC 2016 Daniel
- Name issue Brock / Kasia

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ISBO Board