

ALL EUROPE TAEKWON DO FEDERATION OFFICIAL NOTES No. 2/2007

A.E.T.F. European Congress – Tallinn, Estonia

October 18th 2007/ 17,30h

SESSION PROTOCOL

Master A. Nobilo, A.E.T.F. President greets all present participants and passed the word to Master Stylianides, former A.E.T.F. President, who thanked all the friends and colleges for long term cooperation, and offered his full support to new President and the new Executive Board.

Master A. Nobilo proposed congress agenda, handed the voting tickets (YES and NO), and declared present twenty nine valid voters.

President A. Nobilo in his introductory speech informed all present participants about **topics of this congress** session:

- Problems related to non registered and non protected name and logo
- Proposal of new organization
- Proposal of new sport activities; not only European Team Championship but also regional tournaments
- New organization of European Team Championship, “A-class Tournament – one per region plus finals”
- Regional Umpire meetings, conferences and seminars
- “TKD Holidays”, a new event in our organization

After detailed explanation of each above mentioned topics by President A.Nobilo, participants discussed as following:

1. Representative of Spain is fully aware of not sport and correct activity of Mr. Loboda from Poland who registered our organizational name founded by Grand Master Rhee Ki-Ha as their own, on which we don't have any legal rights but his opinion is that we could in regular court procedure prove that we have all rights to use that name and logo...
2. Representative of England bitterly asked how somebody as Mr. Svoboda who made his black belt degree examination on our statute could take the right to overtake the name and logo founded much earlier...

President A. Nobilo, as a professional lawyer, is informing that, unfortunately due to uncomfoting situation for our party, court procedure could last five years or more and could cost 200.000 - 300.000 US\$. Even so, the finals results could be uncertain, but also it is a fact that due to our organization financial situation we simply can not allow us to spend any unnecessary time, energy and money. It is much more reasonable and practical

to proceed as proposed by Mr. A. Nobilo; to found a new official organization name, logo and accounts.

The representative of Germany, Master Wong declared that “all of us have to fight for our rights and our logo...”

President A. Nobilo replied and explained in details the present situation which he found after he overtook the position of A.E.T.F. President; “it is not my fault that you gave the opportunity to those people to take our name and logo, and you allowed everything that happened! I am trying to improve the situation for the benefit of all. Declarations with no real meaning are not going to help us to solve this situation. Please try to be practical and rational.”

Representative of Greece informed the participants that their organization in Greece is recognized under existing name, so there is the possibility that if the name is going to be changed, somebody could apply to the Ministry of Sport for the financial support. President A. Nobilo explained that we should be concentrated here not on all world problems of ITF, but on European topics. Even so, he as a president of A.E.T.F. is willing to give all necessary support to local organizations.

Russian delegate declared that problem exists because ITF did not settle the registration before; now it should be changed in statute of ITF.

President Nobilo replied that due to very complex situation he personally asked President Chung for his opinion, and that he accepted the proposal if the congress is going to vote for it with majority.

After abovementioned discussion, congress delegates voted for the proposal of **new name**. The results were 18 FOR (YES) and 9 votes AGAINST (NO); the new name is declared by the majority of the congress, and from now on it is: “**EUROPE ITF TAEKWON-DO FEDERATION (EITF)**”.

President Nobilo informed congress participants that Executive Board will issue an open tender for **new logo** and that according to all suggestions new logo will be elected.

The Statute – based on written proposal delivered to delegates, congress officially voted; 20 votes FOR (YES) and 7 AGAINST (NO); the new statute is declared by the majority of congress.

Tournament organization standards – based on written proposal delivered to delegates, congress officially voted with the majority votes and declared the tournament organization standards valid.

Rules for Competition of European Club Competition - based on written proposal delivered to delegates, congress officially voted with the majority votes and declared the Rules for Competition of European Club Competition valid.

Decision of **European regions** - based on written proposal delivered to delegates, congress officially voted with the majority votes and declared Design of European regions valid. According to request from Finland, congress accepted that Finland will be in Nordic countries Region.

Congress session break was from 18, 30 to 19,00 o'clock.

President Nobile informed delegates that several countries asked to be replaced from the proposed **European regions groups**:

- Poland from region 3 to region 7
- Russian, Georgia and Moldova are to be in the same group.

Congress officially voted with the majority votes and declared the changes valid.

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2008

Mr. Macek from Croatia presented Porec, Croatia, as a host for European Championship 2008 and ITF Croatia as organizing partner.

After video promotional material was presented, Congress officially voted unanimously and declared the Porec, Croatia as Championship 2008 host valid. Official date for the tournament will be from May 29th to June 2nd.

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2009

Master Prewitt informed delegates about prequalification of Wales and Slovenia.

2008 EUROPEAN CUP FINALS

After the explanation and proposal by President Nobile, 2008 European Cup Finals will take place in August 2008 in Porec, Croatia, during “TKD Holidays”. Congress officially voted unanimously and declared Porec, Croatia as 2008 European Cup Finals host valid.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

Four Vice Presidents are coming from four regions; Secretary General is nominated by President, two candidates of the Executive Board are proposed by President.

After the above mentioned explanation by President Nobile, delegates nominated new members of Executive Board. President nominated for the Secretary General Mr. Macek, Croatia, and two candidates for Supervisory Board, Mr. Prewitt, Wales and Mr. Burian, Check Republic.

The present delegates nominated all other Executive Board members by names and regions.

After the 15 minutes break, congress declared with the majority of votes next Executive Board members:

1. Mr. Mikhail Y. Shmelev, Russia
2. Mr. Paul Cutler, England
3. Mr. Mario Bogdanov, Bulgaria
4. Mr. Tomaz Kos, Slovenia
5. Mr. Drago Macek, Croatia, Secretary General
6. Mr. Michael E. Prewett, Wales
7. Mr. Ladislav Burian, Czech Republic
8. Mr. Peter Harkess, Scotland
9. Mr. Anto Nobilo, Croatia, President of EITF (EUROPE ITF TAEKWON-DO FEDERATION, elected earlier at the ITF Congress

First session of new Executive Board is declared to be on Saturday, October 20th, 2007.

Closing speech was given by **Grand Master Rhee Ki-Ha** who expressed his best wishes to congress delegates and new Executive Board of our federation. He, as a founder A.E.T.F., U.K.T.A., & R.I.T.A. as well as Honorary President of A.E.T.F. remembered all about the spirit of ITF and TKD founder, Gen. Choi and his teachings; all of us as a family members have to keep our promises and our lifestyle. New times have new challenges, but the spirit of our founder should always be leading us. All the participants with big applause agreed to Grand Master's message.

This congress and all other future meetings are going to be recorded for official archive that is going to be available on authorized request. Official photos of congress and members are also an integral part of referenced Executive Board meetings archived.

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