



17° WAE CONGRESS
11 June 2021 at 9:00 CEST
GoToMeeting platform

The Congress took place on 11 June 2021 via GoToMeeting platforms, it was held virtually. While, supposed to be held on May 2020, it was one year delayed due to Covid-19 pandemic and consequent travel restrictions.

AGENDA

- 1) Opening of the Congress and Report of Registration
- 2) Welcoming speech by WA President Prof. Dr. Ugur Erdener
- 3) Nominations of Scrutineers (3) – Voting procedure
- 4) Confirmation of the minutes of 2018 WAE Congress in Legnica (POL)
- 5) Report by the President
- 6) MEDIA Report by Gabriele Giovine
- 7) Presentation of the Strategy Plan by the Secretary General
- 8) Approval of the first WAE Strategy Plan
- 9) Finances:
 - Finance and Auditors Board Reports 2019-2020
 - 2019 Finance Board Accounts
 - 2020 Finance Board Accounts

10) Approval of the Financial Reports in item 6

11) Permanent Committees Reports:

- DTAC Committee
- 3D & Field Committee
- Judges Committee
- Youth Committee

12) Liaisons Officers Reports:

- Medical Liaison
- Para Archery Liaison

13) Voting of Motions and Amendments

14) Officers' elections:

- a) Election of Vice President (1 position)
- b) Election of four (4) Executive Board Members
- c) Election of three (3) Development and Technical Committee members
- d) Election of three (3) Judge Committee members
- e) Election of three (3) Youth Development Committee members
- f) Election of three (3) 3D & Field Committee members
- g) *Election of three (3) Para-Archery Committee members*

15) European Archery Events

- a) 2022 calendar

16) Awards and Honorary Officers

17) Any other permissible business to be presented in writing to the Secretary

General at least one day before the Congress

18) Closing of the Congress

1) Opening of the Congress

The Congress was opened by a welcoming video message by World Archery President Prof. Dr. Ugur Erdener, followed by a welcoming message from WA Secretary General, who was in attendance.

2) Report of Registration

The Secretary General, Alessandra Colasante, after the roll call, announces that 36 Member Associations are in attendance and in good standing.

Member Associations in attendance at the Congress beginning and roll call:

(Proxies are not allowed at virtual Congress)

AUT; AZE; BEL; BLR; BUL; CRO; CYP; CZE; DEN; EST; ESP; FRA; GEO; GER; GBR; GRE; HUN; IRL; ISL; ISR; ITA; KOS; LUX; MDA; NED; NOR; POL; ROU; RUS; SLO; SMR; SVK; SWE; SUI; TUR;

3) Nominations of scrutineers / Voting procedure

The Congress appoints the following scrutineers: Mrs. Evelyn Papadopoulou (GRE); Mr Kevin McDermott (IRL); Mr Siner Aydin (TUR).

The voting online procedure is explained by Matteo Pisani. A voting tests was managed a couple of day before the Congress session.

While the Secretary General explained that being a virtual Congress, the delegates could not express their approval or refusal by raise of hands, as usual. So, the silent approval was introduced, while in case of disagreement the delegates are kindly requested to express it.

4) Confirmation of the minutes of 2018 Congress in Legnica (POL)

There are not any questions nor comments arising from the minutes, so the minutes are considered as approved unanimously

5) Report by the President:

"The President Mario Scarzella read the following report to the delegates in attendance:

*Dear Friends,
firstly, I wish to welcome warmly all of you to our 17th Congress.*

It has been difficult to get to this Congress, that was cancelled twice due to Covid-19 pandemic. I must thank the Turkish Archery Federation for the huge availability, patience, and efforts to make our Congress being in presence, but unfortunately travel restrictions and the local pandemic spread did not leave us other choice than meeting virtually. Let's hope now that the vaccine campaign will definitely bring us out from such a problematic period. Considering that we are having a virtual Congress, I promise that for the first time my report will be really brief.

Later on, the welcoming speech from WA President Ugur Erdener, at this Congress, we have the pleasure to have in attendance with us the World Archery Secretary General, Tom Dielen, who I thank sincerely for his greetings. Moreover, I wish to thank both of them him for their work in order to raise our sport to the highest international levels.

Due to Covid-19, the main events in our calendars were cancelled or postponed, now we are facing for the next two years fully packed and thick calendars. From the Para Archery point of view, this year was also complicated by the cancellation of the European Para Archery Championships and brilliantly replaced by Nove Mesto Para Archery Cup Circuit Organizers, who will manage the challenge of continental and final quota tournaments in one event.

A very good objective of this year, which is worth mentioning briefly, is the creation of the first WAE Strategic Plan, that will be shown you in a while after my report. It is a great example of the good cooperation we have inside the European Archery family.

I wish to thank the members of WAE Executive Board and WAE Committees and Liaisons, who, with their worthy work and positive cooperation, contribute to our growth and to the several goals we aimed.

I wish to thank them also their appreciated availability and cooperation with World Archery Europe, and covering their task for one extra year. Prix.

I really must thank our sponsors Dream Bow Factory, Martin & Miglioranza and Ragim, which are going on supporting us even in this quite challenging financial period.

I take the opportunity to thank our Local Organizing Committees, who have successfully organized events also within difficult circumstances, nevertheless always guarantying the respect of the healthy measures.

As far as our financial resources are concerned, we are glad to inform you that at the moment we manage to satisfy the ambitious objectives of our newly born Strategy, and we can definitely keep working for the widespread development of European Archery.

Talking about media and communication, we are constantly improving our services, and for this success I must thank Gabriele Giovine, our media responsible for his skilled work. After my Report conclusion, I hand over to Gabriele for his report on our last social media successes.

In the last part of my report, I wish to thank also the Technical Delegates and our Judges, who with their work, contribute to the best outcome of our tournaments, however this year they have had an even more complicated work due to PCR tests, travel restrictions and general uncertainty linked to the pandemic. Thank you for your great patience.

Let me address a very special thanks to Mr Christian Laforest for his excellent skilled cooperation and great disposal, and to WAE Secretary General for her very efficient work and vast availability. Finally, I am very glad to have with us today WAE former Secretary General, Marinella Piscioti, who I wish to thank once more for her long time experience put at disposal of the whole organization.

Last, but not least, many thanks to all of you, who work continuously for Archery development in each belonging country”.

6) Media Report

World Archery Europe Web Media Responsible, Mr Gabriele Giovine, read his report about media and communication, and his constant work in order to improve WAE website, socials and way of linking our sport and our Member Associations.

7) Presentation of the first WAE Strategy Plan

The Secretary General explained the strategy for WAE for the period 2021-2023 assisted by slides shown to everybody.

8) Approval of the first WAE Strategy Plan

No comments raised and the Strategy was approved.

9) Finance and Auditors Reports

The Finance Board Chairman, Mr Christian Laforest reported on the financial situation for the years 2018-2019-2020. No questions are raised on the Finance and Audit Board reports.

10) **Approval of the reports**

The accounts and the Auditor Reports for the mentioned years are approved by Congress delegates.

11) **Permanent Committees Reports:**

Dealing with a virtual Congress, it was agreed not to the whole reports, which had been sent to all the MAs.

- **DTAC Committee**

No comments are raised by the Congress delegates.

- **3D & Field Committee**

No comments are raised by the Congress delegates.

- **Judges Committee**

No comments are raised by the Congress delegates.

- **Youth Committee**

No comments are raised by the Congress delegates.

12) **Liaisons Officers Reports:**

Dealing with a virtual Congress, it was agreed not to the Liaisons' reports as well. They had been sent to all the MAs.

- **Medical Liaison**

No comments were raised by the Congress delegates

- **Para Archery Liaison**

No comments were raised by the Congress delegates

13) **Voting on Motions and Amendments**

The motions to the Constitution require a two-third majority.

Before the voting started, the Secretary General felt the floor to Matteo Pisani for an overview of the election process. Especially for those delegates who were not able to attend the voting tests managed the day before.

The Congress delegates voted on the 11 motions, and each of them passed.

Motion n. 1 (submitted by WAE Executive Board)

The European Indoor Championships to be held every year.

Voting on Motion 1 (36 voting delegates: 28 Yes). Passed

Motion n. 2 (Submitted by Slovenia Archery Association)

Barebow division to be included in the European Indoor Championships:

Voting on Motion 2 (36 voting delegates: 27 Yes). Passed

Motion n. 3 (submitted by WAE Executive Board)

Term Limits introduced for the retiring officers as indication of good governance

Voting on Motion 3 (36 voting delegates: 28 Yes). Passed

Motion n. 4 (submitted by DTAC)

Adding reference to feminine gender in WAE C&R.

Voting on Motion 4 (36 voting delegates: 28 Yes). Passed

Motion n. 5 (submitted by WAE Executive Board)

The Para Archery Liaison to be replaced by the creation of the Para Archery Committee, elected at such a Congress for the first time.

Voting on Motion 5 (36 voting delegates: 32 Yes). Passed

Motion n. 6 (submitted by WAE Judge Committee)

Change in term of reference for WAE Comntinental

Voting on Motion 6 (36 voting delegates: 26 Yes). Passed

Motion n. 7 (submitted by WAE Executive Board)

The Run Archery Liaison to be introduced in the C&R.

Voting on Motion 7 (36 voting delegates: 27 Yes). Passed

Motion n. 8 (submitted by WAE DTAC)

The Gender Equity Liaison to be introduced in the C&R.

Voting on Motion 8 (36 voting delegates: 27 Yes). Passed

Motion n. 9 (submitted by WAE Executive Board)

The Justice and Ethics Liaison to be introduced in the C&R.

Voting on Motion 9 (36 voting delegates: 31 Yes). Passed

Motion n. 10 (Submitted by Slovenia Archery Association)

The European Club Teams Cup re-introduced in WAE calendar.

Voting on Motion 7 (36 voting delegates: 25 Yes). Passed

Motion n. 11 (submitted by WAE Judge Committee)

The age limit of 65 to be introduced for WAE Judges and DOS

Voting on Motion 11 (36 voting delegates: 25 Yes). Passed

Motion n. 12 (submitted by WAE Executive Board)

Changing election term of Permanent Committee members to assure continuation of work within each Committee

Voting on Motion 12 (36 voting delegates: 29 Yes). Passed

Effective date of accepted motions

The motions will come into effect immediately.

14) Elections

Election of the First Vice President

Delegates participating in the vote: 35 Requested majority: 19
1 candidate

Vladimir Esheev 34 votes (elected for the term 2021-2024)

Elections of 4 Executive Board Members

Delegates participating to the vote: 34 Requested majority: 19
7 candidates

Hilda Gibson (GBR)	23 votes
Uidl Darko (CRO)	23 votes
Arnoud Stribijbis (NED)	20 votes
Jean-Michel Cleroy (FRA)	19 votes
Cenneth Ahlund (SWE)	17 votes
Irena Rosa (SLO)	14 votes
Elsi Skafida (GRE)	5 votes

Hilda Gibson (GBR); Uidl Darko (CRO) Arnoud Stribijbis (NED) are elected as Executive Board Members for the term 2021-2024. **Jean-Michel Cleroy (FRA)** is elected as Executive Board Member for the term 2021-2022. Elections of the Committees: terms limits within Committees were varied for the first time, according to the motion adopted during the previous vote.

Election of the Youth Committee:

Delegates participating to the vote: 36 Requested majority: 19

Irena Rosa (SLO) 28 votes

Wolfgang Halvax (AUT) 25 votes
Maria Kyrillopoulou (CYP) 23 votes
Endre Vik Larsen (NOR) 22 votes
Ersmia Smyroglou (GRE) 6 votes

Irena Rosa (SLO) and Wolfgang Halvax (AUT) are elected for the period 2021-2024. **Mrs Maria Kyrillopoulou** is elected as a member of the Youth Committee for the term 2021-2022.

Election of the Judges Committee:

Delegates participating to the vote: 35 Requested majority: 19

Luca Stucchi (ITA) 29 votes
Katy Lipscomb (GBR) 24 votes
Jean Martens (BEL) 24 votes
Klaus Lykkebaek (DEN) 22 votes

Election of the JC member for a three years term (1 position):
Delegates participating to the vote: 32 Requested majority: 19

Katy Lipscomb (GBR) 20 votes
Jean Martens (BEL) 12 votes

Luca Stucchi (ITA) and Katy Lipscomb (GBR) are elected for the period 2021-2024. **Jean Martens (BEL)** is elected as a member of the Judge Committee for the term 2021-2022.

Election of the 3D and Field Committee:

Delegates participating to the vote: 34 Requested majority: 19

Sofie Johansson (SWE) 27 votes
Helmut Poell (AUT) 27 votes
Maya Shalaby (SLO) 25 votes

Election of the Chairman of 3D and Field Committee (1 position):
Delegates participating to the vote: 34 Requested majority: 19

Sofie Johansson (SWE) 19 votes
Helmut Poell (AUT) 15 votes

Sofie Johansson (SWE) and Helmut Poell (AUT) are elected for the period 2021-2024. **Maya Shalaby (SLO)** is elected as a member of 3D and Field Committee for the term 2021-2022.

Election of the Para Archery Committee:

Delegates participating to the vote: 37

Requested majority: 19

Chiara Barbi (ITA) 22 votes

Leena-Kaarina Saviluoto (SWE) 20 votes

Hervè Toggwiler (FRA) 18 votes

Henk Wagemakers (SLO) 17 votes

Milan Cornel Razvan (ROU) 17 votes

Aikaterina Plakouda (GRE) 14 votes

Election of **Para Archery Committee member** 2nd Round (1 position):

Delegates participating to the vote: 37

Requested majority: 19

Hervè Toggwiler (FRA) 17 votes

Henk Wagemakers (SLO) 14 votes

Milan Cornel Razvan (ROU) 6 votes

Election of **Para Archery Committee member** 3rd Round (1 position):

Delegates participating to the vote: 36

Requested majority: 19

Hervè Toggwiler (FRA) 21 votes

Henk Wagemakers (SLO) 15 votes

Chiara Barbi (ITA) and **Leena-Kaarina Saviluoto (SWE)** are elected for the period 2021-2024. **Hervè Toggwiler (FRA)** is elected as a member of Para Committee for the term 2021-2022.

Election of the DTAC Committee:

Delegates participating to the vote: 35

Requested majority: 19

Stephen Tully (GBR) 31 votes

Andreas Theofylaktou (CYP) 26 votes

Aris Kormpetis (GRE) 22 votes

Stephen Tully (GBR) and **Andreas Theofylaktou** are elected for the period 2021-2024. **Aris Kormpetis (GRE)** is elected as a member of DTAC Committee for the term 2021-2022.

15) WAE 2022 calendar

The Secretary General listed the 2022 events allocated in 2022 and pointed out the two events which were still available for bidding (the two legs of the Para Archery Cup Circuit).

16) Awards and Honorary Officers:

Mrs Marinella Piscioti (ITA) was awarded with the title of Honorary Secretary General as a debt of recognition and gratitude for the work she made for many years.

Mrs Evelyn Papadopoulou (GRE) was awarded for her 17 years' services on DTAC with passionate commitment.

Two outgoing Executive Board members were also honoured with WAE awards: Rolf Lind (DEN) and Dominique Ohlmann (FRA).

Closing of the Congress

The President and the Secretary General thanked all the attending people, the scrutineers, the Executive Board members and the newly elected WAE Committee members, and declares the 17th WAE Congress closed at 12:30.