



**EUROPEAN SHOOTING CONFEDERATION**  
**XXIV ORDINARY General Assembly Minutes**  
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The meeting commenced at 16.00 on May 17, 2013

**1. Welcome and Opening of the General Assembly**

The ESC President Vladimir Lisin welcomes the delegates, colleagues of the Presidium, guests and observers to the XXIV Ordinary General Assembly of the European Shooting Confederation. He remarks that it is a special pleasure for him to host the General Assembly in Moscow and that it is attended by so many participants. He also mentions that the Agenda of the General Assembly includes many important matters. Modification of the ESC Statutes and General Regulations, creation of the Athletes' Committee, selection of the Organizers of the European Championships in 2016-2017 and elections of the new Presidium are among them. The President expresses the hope that there also will be a broad exchange of opinions and that the decisions of the General Assembly will produce a positive impact to the development of the shooting sport in Europe.

With a special pleasure Vladimir Lisin underlines the presence of several important guests at the meeting: the President of the ISSF Olegario Vázquez Raña, the Doyen of the IOC Vitaly Smirnov, the President of the Russian Olympic Committee Alexander Zhukov and the Secretary General of the ISSF Franz Schreiber.

The ESC President declares the General Assembly open and gives the floor to Mr. Olegario Vázquez Raña, Mr. Vitaly Smirnov and Mr. Alexander Zhukov who address the delegates with welcome speeches.

After the welcome speeches Mr. Olegario Vázquez Raña hands over a very special ISSF Award – “The President’s Button” – to Mr. Vitaly Smirnov.

Then the ESC President asks the ESC Secretary General Alexander Ratner to continue with the Agenda.

**2. Roll-call**

The Secretary General proceeds to the roll-call. It shows that delegates of 44 Member Federations from 42 countries are present in the meeting room. Another 7 Member Federations are represented by proxies duly given in writing according to the Statutes.

In total 51 out of 56 Member Federations from 45 countries are represented at the General Assembly. So there is a quorum for any decisions.

No objection is raised by the General Assembly.

### **3. Approval of the Agenda**

The Secretary General reminds that the notification procedure of all the documents required for the General Assembly has taken place according to the ESC Statutes, within due terms. The first notice of the General Assembly was sent out on December 17, 2012 announcing date, time and place of the General Assembly, providing deadlines for the Member Federations with respect to proposals and applications to be included in the Agenda and nominations to the elective positions.

The summons of the XXIV General Assembly were posted to the Member Federations on March 15, 2013, in accordance with the ESC Statutes, art. 5.4.

All the documents have also been sent electronically to the Member Federations and are available to be downloaded from the ESC website.

No additional items are proposed by the Delegates.

**Decision:** the Agenda is unanimously approved.

### **4. Nomination of Elections Committee, Minutes Committee, Review Committee**

**Upon proposals of the Presidium the Delegates unanimously took the following decisions:**

- to approve representatives of the Danish Shooting Union, the Estonian Shooting Sport Federation and the Royal Netherlands Shooters Association as members of the Elections Committee and to ask the three Member Federations to propose candidatures;
- to approve Petros Kyritsis and Alexander Ratner as members of the Minutes Committee;
- to approve Pekka Kuusisto and Alexander Ratner as members of the Review Committee.

### **5. Approval of the Minutes of the XXIII ESC General Assembly in Belgrade, Serbia, 30.07.2011**

**Decision:** the minutes are unanimously approved.

## **6. President's report**

Dear delegates of the XXIV General Assembly!

Dear colleagues and friends!

Four years have passed since I was elected as President of the European Shooting Confederation. That is why I would like first of all to report on how the pre-election promises have been carried out.

As far as administration is concerned, I pointed out that the ESC needed a permanent office in which the Secretariat would be performing their work. We have the office and the permanently working people. I would like to mention that the necessity to pay salary to these people does not affect the budget of the Confederation.

In the sphere of finances I promised that expanding the sphere of the ESC activity will be covered by sponsorship. This goal is achieved as well. For example, the organization of TV broadcasting and journalists' trips to European Championships, reward of prize-winners of our continental Championships, providing the maximum number of countries represented at the European Youth League, print production, etc. were all covered by sponsorship funds.

As for economics, I was referring to establishing mutual obligations between the federations and the ESC to create centralized programs of development in the sphere of sports equipment and TV production. I must admit that we had not taken into account another interested party – Organizers of competitions. But now the situation is improving. Signing the sponsorship agreement for the European Championship 2013 in Osijek between the ESC and Lapua is the vivid illustration of it.

A great number of tasks were set in the sphere of the ESC activity concerning the promotion of the shooting sport and establishing partnership relations with the media. We have managed to fulfill much of it. For example, in 2010 for the first time the history the European Championships were broadcast on TV. After that one could watch European Championships in Brescia, Vierumäki and Odense at central European channels. Moreover, we have managed to form a pool of journalists who regularly cover shooting competitions at both national and international levels.

Special attention was undoubtedly paid to the sports component. Everything has been done to make our competitions more spectacular and, as a result, to increase interest to them on the part of viewers, sportsmen, TV and the media. Thus, the ESC has developed a number of new competition formats. We have persuaded Organizers of the European Championships to make a separate range for the Finals. We have introduced prize money for shooters at European Championships for all events.

In 2009 I promised to ensure that the European legislation in the sphere of environment as well as guns transportation and storage takes into account the realia of the shooting sport. We have organized two forums at the ESC website, which helped the Presidium to come to the viewpoint that would serve the common interests to the

full. After that the ESC appeared a co-founder of the European Shooting Sport Council – the organization that is affiliated with the European Council. The ESC participated actively in the corresponding events organized by the EU Sports Platform and the World Forum of Shooting Activities.

As it was planned, the ESC was actively cooperating with the International Shooting Sport Federation and the four continental confederations as well as with international and European associations coordinating different – non-Olympic – shooting sports. Moreover, the European Shooting Confederation in general and I, as its President, were cooperating with the International Olympic Committee, European Olympic Committees and National Olympic Committees of many European countries.

Finishing my brief report on the realization of pre-election promises stated in the Strategy Plan 2009-2013, let me remind you what was accentuated in the very first part of this plan, namely, Organization. The point was that our Confederation should be in the process of constant development. I think that everything mentioned above should leave no doubts that the ESC has been progressing gradually and its activity has been exerting influence upon the condition of the shooting sport not only in Europe but also worldwide.

Let me now tell you about the most significant achievements of the European Shooting Confederation during the period that has passed since our last General Assembly in Belgrade.

First of all, let me remind you of the results of the Games of the XXX Olympiad in London, which proved the leadership of the European shooting sport at the international arena. The European countries won 212 quota places out of the 390 which the ISSF disposed of (Asia had 99 quotas, America – 48, Oceania – 19 and Africa – 12). In the most intense rivalry with the representatives of other continents the European shooters won more than a half of all Olympic medals – 24 out of 45, including 6 golden medals, 10 silver medals and 8 bronze medals. The representatives of Asia won 16 awards, the representatives of America – 5 awards. 23 shooters from 16 European countries became medal winners of the Olympic Games. In Asia only 5 countries have Olympic medalists, in America – two countries.

Another momentous event is the inclusion of shooting into the program of the European Games. The decision on creating these Games was taken at the General Assembly of the European Olympic Committees in December 2012 and the first of them will take place in Baku, Azerbaijan in the second half of June 2015. Being aware of the importance of these Games for the future of the shooting sport in Europe, the ESC was one of the first European sports federations entering into constructive negotiations with the EOC about three years ago. We managed to achieve the long pursued result, which will let all the European countries send shooters to the first European Games.

Much has been done to provide the stability of the whole process connected with organizing the European Championships. In February this year, for example, we

signed a new contract with the longtime ESC partner – the SIUS company, which guarantees all the potential organizers of the European Championships up to the year 2019 inclusive easy terms of renting electronic targets and result systems.

The outstanding feature of this contract is that it for the first time applies not only to Rifle and Pistol but also to Shotgun.

On the other hand, we revised the typical contract defining mutual rights and obligations between the ESC and the Organizers of the European Championships. The main goals of this action are the guarantee of the corresponding arrangement of final ranges and broadcasting of finals on TV, coordination of marketing activity and preventing the cases when the Organizers refuse to fulfill the previously made commitments.

Today the long process of work at the new text of the ESC Statutes and Guidelines for the Athletes' Committee should be over. The projects of these documents prepared by the Presidium have been posted at the ESC website. A whole number of federations sent us their proposals. The majority of these proposals have been reflected in the documents submitted to your consideration, which, I hope, you will support.

One of the ESC top-priority tasks has been and will be the support of the youth sport. One of the specific illustrations of it is that we have significantly alleviated the cost load for the federations which register their teams for participation in the European Youth League. If earlier each federation had to pay 500 Euros for participation, since 2012 they have had to pay only 100 Euros. The remaining expenses were taken on by the ESC and its sponsors. The same system will be used this year. Awarding special prizes on behalf of the ESC President to prize-winning teams at the European Youth League Final will also remain unchanged. In 2012 12 SIUS HS10 Hybridscore target systems were awarded to them right in Wroclaw, Poland.

Speaking about measures directed at increasing the staginess of competitions and reward of the best athletes, I would like to point out that the ESC Presidium has taken the decision to change the system of distributing the prize money to the laureates of European Championships. To a certain degree this is connected with the introduction of the new ISSF Rules. If earlier the ESC paid prize money only to medal-winners of European Championships, since the European Championship 10m 2013 the ESC has rewarded all the participants of the Finals – in all events among both seniors and juniors. In Odense, for example, the total amount of 74.000 Euros was awarded to 120 shooters as prize money. At the European Championship taking place in July-August in Osijek, Croatia and in Suhl, Germany, more than 230 shooters can become owners of the reward, while the prize money will total 136.500 Euros.

Much has been done for the popularization of the shooting sport. At the expense of the ESC a group of journalists visited the European Championship 10m in Vierumäki, Finland. At the European Championships in Vierumäki and in Odense broadcasting was organized that could be seen by viewers all over Europe. Moreover, the European Championship in Odense was for the first time broadcast over the Internet at the ESC

website. All the medal winners of the Games of the XXX Olympiad were awarded special souvenirs right in London.

Cooperation with the International Shooting Sport Federation has been developing actively. Both on matters of concern of the European shooting community – such as the introduction of new Rules not quite taking into account the opinion of lead athletes and specialists – and on matters where, due to the synergy, we have managed to resolve a number of important tasks concerning the development of the shooting sport on the continent. First of all, it concerns a wide range of matters connected with the European Games – particularly with the admission of participants as well as with preparing work specifications for the Organizers of the Games concerning the construction of the infrastructure and organization of the competitions.

Several times I met with the ISSF President Olegario Vázquez Raña. Two of our meetings were held in London, first, at the ISSF General Assembly in April and then during the Games of the XXX Olympiad. Then we discussed the prospects of the shooting sport development, possible amendments in the Rules and the forthcoming elections of the ISSF President in 2014. The exchange of opinions on these and other questions with the administration of the International Federation is constantly going on.

My international activity as the ESC President has certainly not been confined to meetings with the ISSF President. I have been actively participating in meetings of the ISSF Administrative Council where I have protected the interests of the shooters while discussing issues connected with the future of our sport. I have visited all official competitions organized by the ESC in 2011-2013 without exception. Not so long ago I traveled to Korea to the World Cup in Pistol and Rifle in Changwon in order to see the new Finals and the organization of broadcasting by the ISSF TV.

For the past two years I repeatedly met many eminent leaders of the world sport. Among others, I met with the IOC President Jacques Rogge, the IOC Vice-President Thomas Bach, the President of the Association of Summer Olympic International Federations Francesco Ricci-Bitti, the President of the International Association of National Olympic Committees Sheikh Ahmad Al-Fahad Al-Sabah, members of the IOC Executive Committee Sergey Bubka, René Fasel and Patrick Hickey, the IOC members from European, Latin American, Asian and African countries. During these meetings the most urgent matters of the International Olympic Movement were discussed, as well as prospects of the development of the shooting sport.

As a representative of the ESC I was a delegate at all the General Assemblies of the European Olympic Committees, which ensured the inclusion of shooting into the program of the European Games. As a member of the IOC Commission for Culture and Olympic Education I had the opportunity to discuss some problems very important for the contemporary sport with the members of the IOC Executive Committee, the President of the International Boxing Federation C.K. Wu (Taiwan) and Sam Ramsami (RSA), the IOC members Lambis Nicolau (Greece), Iván Dibós

(Peru), Valeriy Borzov (Ukraine) and Melitón Sánchez (Panama). I have issued an illustrated History of All Summer Olympic Games from 1986 to 2012, which has received much acclaim in the Olympic family.

Dear Delegates! Let me now proceed to the tasks which, in my view, will be of primary importance for the ESC during the next four years.

The first and the most important one is proceeding with the course towards the development of our Confederation and the shooting sport in Europe. The emphasis should be made on the systemic approach to the organization of competitions as well as to the cooperation between the ESC, the Organizers, the sponsors and the media.

The experience proves the necessity to create model Regulations for the organization of European Championships. A sort of scenario which should be followed by the Organizers not to reinvent the wheel but to know beforehand what and in which order should be made to prepare good quality facilities, including Final halls. We will be actively cooperating with the ISSF in this matter as the introduction of new Rules for the Finals sets similar tasks before the International Federation itself.

The new Rules have marked another problem. The main attention must now be paid to the equipment and the design of the Final halls. Why should the Organizers of competitions have 80 to 90 lanes for qualifications? This is a waste of resources because in everyday life nobody needs so many lanes. We will be trying to find a reasonable balance in this matter as well.

It goes without saying that no development is possible without the financial support of sponsors. But sponsors do not give money for no reason. They need advertising. The most effective advertising is the demonstration of brands during TV broadcasting of competitions. Hence the task is to ensure in advance that European Championships will be broadcast on public channels and to know how to manage advertising opportunities. From now on the ESC will be playing a more active role in resolving this matter in our common interests.

We are ready to establish grants to support national federations. In the nearest future we will try to agree upon the criteria for giving grants. For example, for the best organization of the European Championship, for the best design of the Final hall, for creating the best conditions for TV broadcasting, etc.

The ESC will proceed with the practice of rewarding athletes – prize-winners and finalists of European Championships. We will also continue to support the teams taking part in the European Youth League. We will try to introduce new competitions or new competition formats, which would be interesting for athletes, viewers and the media.

Much attention will be paid to the organization of the shooting sport competitions within the European Games as well as to providing the maximum possible representation of Europe at the Games of the XXXI Olympiad 2016 in Rio de Janeiro. We will also be strengthening the position of the European Shooting Confederation in

the administrative elective bodies of the ISSF in order to protect the interests of athletes and national federations at that level.

Dear Colleagues! Let me wish all of you success in the development of the shooting sport in your countries, let me express hope that you will continue to support the activity of the European Shooting Confederation and thank you for your attention!

**Decision:** the President's report is unanimously approved.

## **7. Awards / Honorary Membership**

The Secretary General informs the participants that there has been two nominations for Honorary Membership. One, by Kerstin Bodin, to grant Honorary Membership to Werner Hirt. The other, by the German Shooting Sport Federation, to grant Honorary Membership to Max Mückl.

The nomination of Werner Hirt was on the Agenda of the Presidium meeting in Odense on February 25, 2013. It was then decided to propose the General Assembly to approve his nomination as the Honorary Member. But when the Presidium got the second nomination the matter was again discussed by the Presidium on May 16, 2013: to propose the General Assembly to approve both candidates or only one of them as Honorary Members. The opinion of the Presidium was divided because there were no criteria for somebody to become Honorary Member and it was impossible to explain why any candidature should be approved or rejected. So the Presidium took some decisions based on the fact that if the General Assembly does not vote in Moscow, the next one is only in two years:

1. The Secretary General has to explain the General Assembly the situation and the problem.
2. The Working Group composed of Kerstin Bodin and Biserka Vrbek must formulate the criteria for the ESC Honorary Membership before July 1, 2013.
3. The Presidium has to approve those criteria by postal vote.
4. To propose the General Assembly to approve Honorary Membership of one or both candidates in case their nominations comply with the criteria elaborated by the Presidium.

The Secretary General asks the Delegates to approve these decisions as a proposal of the Presidium to the General Assembly.

**Decision:** the proposal of the Presidium is unanimously approved.

## **8. Report of the Presidium**

The Report of the Presidium is presented by the Vice-President Kerstin Bodin, who highlights its most important items.



## **REPORT OF THE PRESIDIUM (for the period 30.07.2011 – 17.05.2013)**

### **Presidium meetings**

During the period from 30.07.2011 till 17.05.2013 the ESC Presidium had the following meetings:

- in Vierumäki (Finland) on 15.02.2012
- in Bologna (Italy) on 11.07.2012
- in Odense (Denmark) on 25.02.2013
- in Moscow (Russia) on 16.05.2013

### **Agenda of the meetings**

The Agenda of the ESC Presidium meetings included the following items:

- reports on the activity of the President;
- discussions on the matters related to the development of the shooting sport in Europe;
- motions of the Member Federations;
- cooperation with the ISSF;
- relationships with partners and sponsors of the ESC;
- regulations of the European Youth League;
- approval of the technical delegates and officials to the European Championships and other ESC competitions;
- financial matters;
- new competition formats;
- future of the competitions in non-Olympic events;
- amendments to the ESC Statutes and General Regulations;
- creation of Guidelines for the Athletes Committee;
- preparations to the ESC General Assembly;
- approval of the programs of European Championships;
- approval of Organizers of European Championships in 2013, 2014 and 2015;
- issues of the Technical Committee;
- issues of the Press and Promotion Committee;

- celebrations in honour of European shooters – medal winners at the Games of the XXX Olympiad in London;
- different aspects of shooting competitions at the European Games in 2015;
- new structure of organizing European Cups;
- Internet and the ESC website;
- relations with Organizers of the future European Championships;
- cooperation with the European Shooting Sport Forum;
- possible cooperation with the European fair Play Movement;
- approval of European records.

### **Decisions**

Among the most important decisions were:

1. Approval of the new Sponsorship Agreement with SIUS valid till 31.12.2019.
2. Approval of the Sponsorship Agreement with Nammo Lapua OY for the European Championship 2013 in Osijek.
3. Approval of the Organizers of European Championships in 2013, 2014 and 2015.
4. Approval of the draft of the new version of the ESC Statutes and General Regulations.
5. Approval of the Guidelines for the Athletes Committee.
6. Approval of the new Agreement between the ESC and Organizers of European Championships;
7. Approval of the ESC approach to the shooting competitions in the European Games in 2015.

### **European Championships**

The following European Championships were organized since 30.07.2011:

- European Championship in Belgrade (Serbia), 31.07-14.08.2011, 1057 participating athletes, 1452 starts;
- European Championship 10m in Vierumäki (Finland), 14-19.02.2012, 593 participating athletes, 653 starts;
- European Shotgun Championship in Larnaka (Cyprus), 17-26.05.2012, 375 participating athletes making the same number of starts;
- European Championship Juniors in Bologna (Italy), 10-15.07.2012, 230 participating athletes, 374 starts;

- European Championship 10m in Odense (Denmark), 25.02.-03.03.2012, 556 participating athletes, 622 starts.

### **The European Youth League**

In 2011 the EYL Final took place in Budva (Montenegro) with participation of 62 shooters from 11 nations.

In 2012 there were three regional qualification rounds. For the Western group in Laško (Slovenia), for the Eastern – in Osijek (Croatia) and for the Northern - in Öckerö (Sweden). The EYL Final took place in Wroclaw (Poland) on October 5-7 with participation of 16 teams from 11 nations.

In 2013 the qualification rounds were organized in Lingolsheim (France) for the Western group, Smeredevo (Serbia) for the Eastern group and in Ekenas (Finland) for the Northern group. The Final is to take place in Laško (Slovenia) in the first week-end of October.

### **Lapua European Cup 300m**

In 2011 there were four qualification competitions; in Aarhus (Denmark), Eskilstuna (Sweden), St-Jean-de-Marsacq (France) and Belgrade (Serbia) with a Final in Winterthur (Switzerland). A total of 324 starts were made in the qualification rounds.

In 2012 the qualification competitions took place in Thun (Switzerland), Eskilstuna (Sweden) and Plzen (Czech Republic) with a Final in Zagreb (Croatia). The number of starts increased slightly from the previous year to 331.

The first qualification round for 2013 was organized in Zagreb (Croatia) and the next competitions will take place in Aarhus (Denmark) and Thun (Switzerland) with a Final in St-Jean-de-Marsacq (France).

### **European Cup 25m**

In 2011 the qualification rounds took place in Hannover (Germany), Aarhus (Denmark), Lahti (Finland) and Öckerö (Sweden) with a Final in Thun (Switzerland). The total number of starts was 215.

In 2012 the host cities were Hannover (Germany), Orland (Norway), Aarhus (Denmark) and Hamina (Finland) with the Final taking place in Uppsala (Sweden). The total number of starts was 236.

The first qualification round for 2013 was organized in Hannover (Germany) and the next competitions will take place in Aarhus (Denmark), Thun (Switzerland) and Högsbo (Sweden) with the Final in St-Jean-de-Marsacq (France).

### **European Shotgun Tournament**

The competitions included in the Shotgun Tournament in 2011 were Brno (Czech Republic), Belgrade (Serbia), Lahti (Finland) and Vilnius (Lithuania) with a total of 569 starts.

In 2012 there were only two competitions, in Belgrade (Serbia) with 75 starts and in Brno (Czech Republic) with 151 starts.

### **Main events in 2013**

The main ESC events in 2013 are:

- European Championship 25/50/300m in Osijek (Croatia), 21.07.-04.08.2013
- European Championship SG/RT in Suhl (Germany), 28.07.-08.08.2012
- European Youth League Final in Laško (Slovenia), 04-06.10.2013
- Lapua European Cup 300m Final in St-Jean-de-Marsacq (France), 26-29.09.2013
- European Cup 25m Final in St-Jean-de-Marsacq (France), 26-29.09.2013

**Decision:** the report of the Presidium is unanimously approved.

### **9. Treasurer's Report**

The ESC Vice-President and Treasurer Pekka Kuusisto gives a report on the ESC accounts in 2012-2013. He points out that the financial situation of the ESC is good. By the end of December 2009 there were less than 370.000 Euro on the ESC accounts. On January 1, 2012 the ESC had 424.160 Euro and by the beginning of April 2013 the ESC assets were more than 480.000 Euro. He emphasizes the additional value the results acquire when taking into account the difficult times the whole Europe went through during the last two years.

According to the preliminary budget for 2011 approved by the previous General Assembly in Belgrade, the income of 85.000 Euro was expected. In reality the income exceeded 230.000 Euro. More than 75 percent of it came from the sponsorship provided by the ESC President. This sponsorship allowed the ESC to invest in promotion of the shooting sport in Europe. And many Member Federations benefited from it. The situation repeated in 2012.

The Treasurer mentions that the European Championships traditionally attract a lot of participants and that all the Organizing Committees have fulfilled their obligations towards the ESC. The ESC had a delay in receiving the participation fee from the Organizers of the European Championship 2011 but that was due to the sudden death of our colleague Milan Sotra. We got this money only in February of 2013 and it affected the ESC's final results for 2012, as can be seen from the Auditors' report. But the important thing is that the payment has been made.

The Treasurer also notes that during his term of office the National Federations were very punctual in supporting the ESC by paying the membership fees. In 2010—2013 the total amount of this part of the ESC income reached nearly 100.000 Euro. He thanks all Member Federation for this contribution.

After that he proceeds to the description of the preliminary budget for 2013. A record result is expected with income considerably exceeding expenditure.

He also points out that during 2011 the ESC accounts in Estonia and Germany were closed. Now there exists only one account in the Credit Suisse bank.

He explains that for all ESC payment orders the ESC follows the principle of two signatures. It means that neither the President, nor the Treasurer nor the Secretary General can solely give payment instructions to the bank.

**Decision:** the Treasurer's report is unanimously approved.

#### **10. Auditors' report and official discharge of the Presidium for financial activity in 2011-2012.**

The ESC Auditor Siegfried Böck presents the Auditors' report, including the balance sheets for 2011 and 2012. In the report the Auditors confirm that the accounts have been duly audited and approved.

#### **Decisions:**

- the Auditors' report is unanimously approved;
- the Presidium is discharged for the accounts of the years 2011 and 2012.

#### **11. Approval of the Preliminary budget for 2013**

Pekka Kuusisto explains the main features of the ESC budget for 2013.

<b>Preliminary Budget 2013 (€)</b>		
	<b>INCOME</b>	
<b>1</b>	Membership Fees	23,500
<b>2</b>	Entry Fees European Championship	102,600
<b>3</b>	European Shotgun Tournaments	5,000
<b>4</b>	European Cups	1,000
<b>5</b>	Contribution of a private person	1,800
<b>6</b>	Sponsorship	80,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>213,900</b>
	<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	
<b>1</b>	Presidium/Meetings	10,000
<b>2</b>	Committees/Meetings/Media	6,000
<b>3</b>	Secretariat/Office	8,000
<b>4</b>	Treasurer/Audit/Accounting	6,000
<b>5</b>	European Championships	5,000
<b>6</b>	European Games	2,000
<b>7</b>	EUROSPORT	45,000
<b>8</b>	General Assembly	10,000
<b>9</b>	European Shotgun Tournaments	5,000
<b>10</b>	European Youth League	18,000
<b>11</b>	Telephone/Post	3,000
<b>12</b>	Printing	4,000
<b>13</b>	Promotion	5,000
<b>14</b>	ESC Ranking	3,600
<b>15</b>	ESC Website Development	17,500
<b>16</b>	ESC Website support	6,000
<b>17</b>	WFSA Membership	1,000
<b>18</b>	Legal	12,000
<b>19</b>	Rent of Special Ascor Graphic System	6,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>173,100</b>
	<b>Income over expenditure</b>	<b>40,800</b>

**Decision:** the Preliminary budget for 2013 is unanimously approved.

## 12. Proposals of the Presidium

### 12.1 Approval of addendums and changes in the ESC Statutes and General Regulations

The Presidium member Biserka Vrbek explains the reasons of the changes, the timing of the procedure and the main amendments.

The ESC Statutes Revised and supplemented on 30th July 2011.		The ESC Statutes – new <b>New proposals for changes of the ESC Statutes</b> (text in red colour)	
Article <b>1.0</b> 1.1	<p><b>PURPOSE</b></p> <p>The purpose of the European Shooting Confederation (ESC) is to maintain, to strengthen and to develop the amateur sport of shooting in Europe in accordance with the Constitution and the General Regulations of the ISSF and to strengthen the bonds of friendship and good relations among the national member federations without any political, religious or racial discrimination.</p> <p>Moreover the European Shooting Confederation shall directly or indirectly ensure the common interest of the European Shooting Confederation in the International Shooting Sport Federation.</p>	Article <b>1.0</b> 1.1	<p><b>PURPOSE</b></p> <p>The purpose of the European Shooting Confederation (ESC) is to maintain, to strengthen and to develop the <del>amateur</del> sport of shooting in Europe in accordance with the Constitution and the General Regulations of the <b>International Shooting Sport Federation</b> (ISSF-former <del>UIT</del>) and to strengthen the bonds of friendship and good relations among the national member federations without any political, religious or racial discrimination.</p> <p>Moreover the <del>ESC European Shooting Confederation</del> shall <b>must</b> directly or indirectly ensure the common interest of the <b>ESC</b> <del>European Shooting Confederation</del> in the <b>ISSF</b> <del>International Shooting Sport Federation</del>.</p>
1.2	The objects of the ESC are:	1.2 <b>1.2.1</b>	<p>The objects of the ESC are:</p> <p><b>to promote the shooting sport in Europe in a spirit of peace, understanding and fair play, without any discriminations on</b></p>

1.2.1 1.2.2 1.2.3 1.2.4 1.2.5 1.2.6 1.2.7	to encourage sponsorships in order to guarantee the economic solidity of the European Shooting Confederation,	1.2.2  1.2.3 1.2.4 1.2.5 1.2.6 1.2.7 1.2.8  1.2.9  1.3.	account of politics, gender, religion, race or any other reason,  to maintain good relations with and cooperate with the ISSF for the promotion and development of shooting sport,       to encourage sponsorships in order to guarantee the economic solidity of the <del>ESC</del> European Shooting Confederation,       In these Statutes the use of the masculine form shall be interpreted also to refer to the feminine.
<b>2.0</b> 2.1.       2.2   2.3	<b>HEADQUARTERS</b> The headquarters of the ESC shall be in the country of domicile of the President and of the Secretariat.  If they are domiciled in different countries, the Presidium will decide the location of the headquarters.    The ESC shall be registered in accordance with the laws of the country of headquarters.	<b>2.0</b> 2.1       2.2   2.3	<b>HEADQUARTERS</b> The Presidium determines the location of the headquarters of the ESC which is currently located in Lausanne, Switzerland.  <del>The headquarters of the ESC shall be in the country of domicile of the President and of the Secretariat</del> <del>If they are domiciled in different countries, the Presidium will decide the location of the headquarters.</del>  The ESC <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> be registered in accordance with the laws of the country of



	The funds of the ESC shall be deposited in a bank as decided by the Presidium.		headquarters.  The funds of the ESC <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> be deposited in a bank as decided by the Presidium.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>
3.1	The European Shooting Confederation shall be composed of European shooting federations of the nations represented in the European Olympic Committees Organisation (EOC). The shooting federation shall be approved by the ESC Presidium as the sole governing body of shooting sports in their country, and be a member of and recognised by their respective National Olympic Committee, which is a full member of the International Olympic Committee.	3.1	The <b>ESC is</b> <del>European Shooting Confederation shall be</del> composed of European shooting federations of the nations represented in the European Olympic Committees Organisation (EOC). The shooting federation shall be approved by the ESC Presidium as the sole governing body of shooting sports in their country, and be a member of and recognised by their respective National Olympic Committee, which is— <b>must be</b> a full member of the International Olympic Committee.
3.2		3.2	
3.6	Membership is open to one Federation from each country. Countries with two member federations recognised prior to 1999 may retain dual membership, but no new applications for membership shall be accepted from more than one federation per country. If two federations represent a country, each federation shall pay half the membership fee.	3.6	Membership is open to one Federation from each country. Countries with two member federations recognised prior to 1999 may retain dual membership, but no new applications for membership <del>shall</del> <b>can</b> be accepted from more than one federation per country. If two federations represent a country, each federation shall pay half the membership fee.
3.7.	A federation not having paid any amount owing by the due date will be charged interest at the rate of 10% per annum on	3.7	<del>A federation not having paid any amount owing by the due date will be charged interest at the rate of 10% per annum on the amount outstanding from the date due.</del>

<p>3.8.</p>	<p>the amount outstanding from the date due.</p> <p>Any federation who has not paid any amount or interest owing by the due date will not be permitted to enter the next championships until the full amount outstanding has been paid.</p> <p>The ISSF Code of Ethics must be followed by all members of the European Shooting Confederation, teams, officials and athletes.</p> <p>The ISSF Anti-Doping Regulations must be followed by all members of the European Shooting Confederation, teams, officials and athlete.</p>	<p>3.8</p> <p>3.9.</p> <p>3.9.1</p> <p>3.9.2</p> <p>3.9.3</p> <p>3.9.4</p> <p>3.9.5</p> <p>3.10</p> <p>3.10.1</p> <p>3.10.2</p> <p>3.10.3</p>	<p>Any federation who has not paid any amount or interest owing by the due date will not be permitted to enter the next championships until the full amount outstanding has been paid.</p> <p>The ISSF Code of Ethics must be followed by all members of the <del>ESC European Shooting Confederation</del>, teams, officials and athletes.</p> <p>The ISSF Anti-Doping Regulations must be followed by all members of the <del>ESC European Shooting Confederation</del>, teams, officials and athletes.</p> <p><b>RIGHTS OF THE MEMBER FEDERATIONS</b></p> <p>Each Member Federation has the following rights at the General Assembly:</p> <p>to take part in and exercise their voting rights at the General Assembly,</p> <p>to propose candidates for the election of any function within in the ESC bodies and committees,</p> <p>to take part in ESC competitions with their athletes in accordance with the ESC General Regulations,</p> <p>to exercise all other rights granted to them by these Statutes and regulations and decisions made under them,</p>
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		3.10.4	to submit applications for the organisation of European Championships.
		3.10.5	<p><b>OBLIGATIONS OF THE MEMBER FEDERATIONS</b></p> <p>Each Member Federation has the following obligations:</p> <p>to observe the principles of loyalty, integrity and sportsmanship in accordance with the principles of fair play,</p> <p>to comply with these Statutes and General Regulations and decisions made under them,</p>
		3.11	to be responsible for the conduct
		3.11.1	of its athletes, officials or other team members exercising a function at ESC competitions,
		3.11.2	to pay the annual membership fee,
		3.11.3	to meet the responsibility as Host Federation entrusted with the organisation of the European Championships, including all obligations in accordance with the regulations of the ESC Statutes, ESC General Regulations and the
		3.11.4	ISSF Rules in terms to organisation, finances and all other aspects of organisation in
		3.12	relation with ESC and third parties.
			<p><b>SUSPENSION AND EXCLUSION FROM THE ESC</b></p> <p>A Member Federation may be excluded from the ESC if it has:</p> <p>failed to settle its financial obligations towards the ESC,</p>

3.9.	<p>The rare distinction of Honorary Membership (with or without an honorary title) may be granted to individuals for outstanding services to the ESC.</p> <p>Honorary membership will be decided by the General Assembly on recommendation of the Presidium (see art. 7.2.7).</p>	3.13	<p>seriously breached these Statutes, ESC General Regulations or decision made under them,</p> <p>lost its qualifying status as a representative national shooting federation,</p> <p>been refused membership of, or excluded from the ISSF.</p> <p>The exclusion of a Member Federation must be decided by the General Assembly. The exclusion must be supported by three-quarters or more of the General Assembly, and at least half of the total number of member Federations must be represented</p> <p>A Member Federation is obliged to settle all outstanding financial obligations due to ESC prior to its withdrawal or dissolution and/or the termination of its membership.</p> <p>If, in the opinion of the Presidium, a Member Federation has committed a serious breach of these Statutes or General Regulations or decisions made under them, (see also art. 3.4.1. General Regulations of ESC), the Presidium is entitled to suspend the Member Federation with immediate effect.</p> <p>Any suspension must be submitted to the next General Assembly for consideration as to whether or not the Member</p>
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			<p>Federation should be excluded, or the suspension lifted or continued. If the General Assembly does not approve the matter, the suspension must cease.</p> <p><i>(REMOVED TO 6.8)</i></p>
<p><b>4.0</b></p> <p>4.1</p> <p>4.1.4</p> <p>4.2</p> <p>4.3</p> <p>4.4</p>	<p><b>ORGANISATION</b></p> <p>The European Shooting Confederation shall conduct its work through the following bodies and committees:</p> <p>The three (3) Anti-Doping Officers</p> <p>Sub Committees or Temporary Committees may be nominated by the General Assembly or by the Presidium.</p> <p>Each candidate for an office must have the support of his/her national federation. The application for election must contain personal information including a C.V. (See also Guidelines to the Statutes of the ESC)</p> <p>In no circumstances shall any officer derive benefit of expenses paid by the Confederation in excess of those incurred.</p>	<p><b>4.0</b></p> <p>4.1</p> <p>4.1.4</p> <p>4.2</p> <p>4.3</p> <p>4.4</p>	<p><b>ORGANISATION</b></p> <p>The <del>ESC</del> European Shooting Confederation shall conduct its work through the following bodies and committees:</p> <p>The <del>three</del> (3) Anti-Doping Officers</p> <p><i>(REMOVED TO 8.6)</i></p> <p>The Member Federation may propose candidates for any ESC function within in the ESC bodies and committees.</p> <p>A candidate nominated for election or re-election to any position in the ESC must be a current member and have the support of his/her national federation. The application for election must contain personal information including a C.V. (See also Guidelines to the Statutes of the ESC)</p> <p>In no circumstances <del>shall</del> <b>should</b> any officer derive benefit of expenses paid by the Confederation in excess of those incurred.</p>

5.0	<b>GENERAL ASSEMBLY</b>	5.0	<b>GENERAL ASSEMBLY</b>
5.2	Ordinary meetings of the General Assembly shall be held every two (2) years, preferably in the town where the European Championships are staged.	5.2	Ordinary meetings of the General Assembly <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> be held every two (2) years, preferably in the town where the European Championships are staged.
5.2.1	Extraordinary meetings of the General Assembly shall be held at the request of the Presidium, or of at least half of the total number of member federations in current affiliation.	5.2.1	<b>A decision on convocation of the meeting of General Assembly and on dates and place of the meeting are taken by the ESC Presidium.</b>
5.4	The summons for the General Assembly together with the agenda, the periodic report, the proposals and the nominations for the elections set forth by the member federations and/or the Presidium shall be posted to the member federations at least two (2) months before the Assembly convenes.	5.4	Extraordinary meetings of the General Assembly <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> be held at the request of the Presidium, or of at least half of the total number of member federations in current affiliation.
6.0	<b>RULES OF PROCEDURE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE</b>	6.0	<b>RULES OF PROCEDURE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE</b>
6.2	Before the official opening of the General Assembly the secretary shall conduct the roll call of voting powers, establish the voting list and announce the total number of eligible votes to the General Assembly.	6.2	Before the official opening of the General Assembly the <del>secretary</del> <b>Secretary General or a member of the Presidium appointed by the Presidium</b> <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> conduct the roll call of voting powers, establish the voting list and announce the total number of eligible votes to the General
6.4		6.4	

6.4.2	<p>FUNCTIONS</p> <p>Approval of the President's Report, the Periodic Report, the Auditor's Report and other relevant reports.</p>	6.4.2	<p>Assembly.</p> <p>FUNCTIONS</p> <p>Approval of the strategy of the ESC and general policies of the ESC for cooperation with the ISSF and representation of the views and statements of the ESC and European member federations in the ISSF bodies.</p>
6.4.5		6.4.5	
6.4.6	<p>Choice of the countries to organise the European Championships. The championships for the period of GA-year+3 to GA-year+4 shall be decided at the General Assembly every second year.</p>	6.4.6	<p>Approval of the President's Report, the Periodic Report, the Auditor's Report and other relevant reports.</p> <p>Choice of the countries to organise the European Championships. The championships for the period of GA-year+3 to GA-year+4 shall be decided at the General Assembly every second year.</p>
6.6	<p>Decision on applications for affiliation to the ESC.</p>	6.6	<p>Decision on applications for affiliation to the ESC and on proposals of the Presidium to the exclusion or the suspension of a member federation.</p>
6.6.1		6.6.1	<p>Decision on applications for affiliation to the ESC and on proposals of the Presidium to the exclusion or the suspension of a member federation.</p>
6.6.2	<p>ELECTION OF THE PRESIDIUM</p>	6.6.2	<p>ELECTION OF THE PRESIDIUM</p>
6.6.3	<p>The Presidium of the ESC shall be elected in the following order of precedence:</p> <p>The President</p> <p>two Vice Presidents</p> <p>eight members of the Presidium</p>	6.6.3	<p>The Presidium of the ESC shall be elected in the following order of precedence:</p> <p>the President</p> <p>two (2) Vice-Presidents</p> <p>eight (8) members of the Presidium</p>
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		6.6.5	

6.6.4		6.6.6	The General Assembly must organise an Elections Committee for voting in elections, chosen from among those delegates of Member Federations who are not presenting any candidates for vacant position. The Elections Committee consists of two members and a Chairman who has to sign the protocol with the results of the elections.
6.6.5		6.6.7	During the election of the President, the out-going President must, if seeking re-election, surrender the chair to a “chairman pro tempore”, elected by the General Assembly, who will then conduct the election. If re-elected, the out-going President subject to the previous provision resumes his position after the election and continues to chair the General Assembly.
	If in the election for President no candidate receives an absolute majority of valid votes cast (50% plus 1 vote), a second ballot shall be taken between the two candidates who have received the highest number of votes. The candidate, who then receives the higher number of votes, will be declared elected.	6.6.8	
		6.6.9	
6.7	The elections for the remaining places will be decided by a simple majority.	6.7	If in the election for President no candidate receives an absolute majority of valid votes cast (50% plus 1 vote), a second ballot shall <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> be taken between the two candidates who have received the highest number of votes. The candidate, who then receives the higher number of votes, will be declared elected.
6.8		6.8	The elections for the remaining places will be decided by a simple majority.
	ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMEN OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEES		The newly elected President, the Vice-Presidents and the members of the Presidium take office after



	<p><b>AND OF TWO AUDITORS</b></p> <p>The Chairmen for the following permanent committees shall be elected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Technical Committee</li> <li>- Press and Promotion Committee</li> <li>-and Two Auditors</li> </ul> <p>Election of Honorary Members.</p>		<p>the closing of the General Assembly.</p> <p>One position within the Presidium must be reserved for a woman or a man.</p> <p><b>ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMEN OF PERMANENT COMMITTEES AND OF TWO AUDITORS</b></p> <p>The Chairmen for the following permanent committees shall must be elected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the Technical Committee</li> <li>- the Press and Promotion Committee</li> <li>- and Two Auditors</li> </ul> <p><b>ELECTION OF THE HONORARY MEMBERS</b></p> <p>The rare distinction of Honorary Membership (with or without an honorary title) may be granted to individuals for outstanding services to the ESC.</p> <p>Honorary membership will be decided by the General Assembly on recommendation of the Presidium (see art. 7.2.7).</p> <p>Honorary members may attend the General Assembly in an advisory capacity, but they have no vote.</p>
<p><b>7.0</b></p> <p>7.1</p>	<p><b>PRESIDIUM</b></p> <p>The Presidium consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the President</li> <li>- the two (2) Vice Presidents</li> <li>- eight (8) members.</li> </ul>	<p><b>7.0</b></p> <p>7.1</p> <p>7.1.1</p>	<p><b>PRESIDIUM</b></p> <p>The Presidium consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the President</li> <li>- the two (2) Vice Presidents</li> <li>- eight (8) members of the Presidium.</li> </ul>

7.1.1 7.1.2 7.1.3  7.2 7.2.4		7.1.2	The President represents the ESC.
		7.1.3	The President should, inter alia, have the following roles and duties:
		7.1.4	to preside at all meetings of the General Assembly and the Presidium,
		7.1.5	to represent the ESC in all dealings with the ISSF and any other relevant international organisation, on behalf of the ESC in consultation with the members of the Presidium,
		7.1.6	to maintain relations with the ISSF and the ESC member Federations,
		7.1.7	to create and propose to the Presidium and the General Assembly the strategic plan for developing the ESC and the shooting sport in Europe,
		7.1.8	to take responsibility for the general management and well-being of the ESC,
		7.1.9	to negotiate or to oversee the negotiation of all major contracts on behalf of ESC in consultation with the members of the Presidium,
		7.1.10	to create any task force or working group he/she may deem necessary or advisable to address any urgent situation,
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7.2.4	elects the members of the Permanent Committees, Sub	7.2	
		7.2.4	to supervise the work of the

7.2.8	<p>Committees and Temporary Committees, and the three (3) Anti-Doping Officers for a four-year term of office. They are eligible for re-election,</p>	7.2.8	<p><b>Secretariat.</b></p> <p><b>FUNCTIONS OF THE PRESIDIUM</b></p> <p>elects the members of the Permanent Committees, Sub Committees and Temporary Committees, and the three (3) Anti-Doping Officers <b>and approves the results of the elections for the Athletes' Committee</b> for a four-year term of office. They are eligible for re-election,</p> <p>deals with all matters and makes all decisions, which <b>do not fall within the legal or statutory on the General Assembly</b> <del>are not to be handled by other committees of the ESC</del></p> <p>Each member of the Presidium (except the President) has one vote. The President votes only in case of a tie, when he shall cast the deciding vote. All decisions are taken by open ballot, except when 50% or more of the members present requests a secret vote. A postal vote may be conducted in the interval between meetings. When a postal vote is required, the President must send to each member a clear statement of the question to be voted upon, with a request that each member must return his vote before a stated date. Within eight (8) days of closing, the postal vote, the President must send a report and the result of the vote to the members. A non-response will be taken to signify an affirmative vote.</p>
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			<p>with a request that each member must return his vote before a stated date. Within eight (8) days of closing, the postal vote, the President must send a report and the result of the vote to the members.</p> <p>A non-response will be taken to signify an affirmative vote.</p> <p>The Presidium must appoint the Secretary General upon proposal of the President and determine the term of office which has to be in accordance with the President's term of office.</p>
8.0	<p><b>PERMANENT COMMITTEES, TEMPORARY COMMITTEES, AND ANTI-DOPING OFFICERS</b></p>	8.0	<p><b>PERMANENT COMMITTEES, TEMPORARY COMMITTEES, AND ANTI-DOPING OFFICERS</b></p> <p>The ESC Committees are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the Permanent Committees</li> <li>- the Sub Committees</li> <li>- the Temporary Committees</li> <li>- the Anti-doping Officers</li> </ul>
8.1.1	<p>The Permanent Committees shall advise and support the Presidium in all technical</p>	8.1.1	<p>The ESC Permanent Committees are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the Technical Committee</li> <li>- the Press and Promotion Committee</li> <li>- the Athletes Committee</li> </ul> <p>The Permanent Committees shall</p>

<p>8.1.2</p> <p>8.1</p>	<p>questions of preparation and organization of the shooting events.</p> <p>The Permanent Committees shall work in accordance with the Guidelines.</p> <p>The Permanent Technical Committee consists of a Chairman, elected by the General Assembly, and 12 members, three from each of the four shooting disciplines (Rifle, Pistol, Running Target and Shotgun).</p> <p>The members from each discipline form 4 Discipline Groups, and each group elects a Spokesman within the group.</p> <p>The Chairman of the Technical Committee and the four (4) Spokesmen constitute the Discipline Reference Group, which coordinates proposals, drafts and notifications to the Presidium.</p> <p>One position in each Discipline Group shall be reserved for a woman or a man.</p> <p>The Press and Promotion Committee consists of a Chairman and a maximum of six members.</p> <p>One position shall be reserved for a woman or a man.</p>	<p>8.1.2</p> <p>8.2</p> <p>8.3</p> <p>8.4</p>	<p><b>should</b> advise and support the Presidium in all technical questions of preparation and organization of the shooting events.</p> <p>The Permanent Committees <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> work in accordance with the Guidelines.</p> <p>The Permanent Technical Committee consists of a Chairman, elected by the General Assembly, and 12 members, three from each of the four shooting disciplines (Rifle, Pistol, Running Target and Shotgun).</p> <p>The members from each discipline form 4 Discipline Groups, and each group elects a Spokesman within the group.</p> <p>The Chairman of the Technical Committee and the four (4) Spokesmen constitute the Discipline Reference Group, which coordinates proposals, drafts and notifications to the Presidium.</p> <p>One position in each Discipline Group <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> be reserved for a woman or a man.</p> <p><b>The Press and Promotion Committee should advice and assist the Presidium in matters relating to media, sponsors and promotion.</b></p> <p>The Press and Promotion Committee consists of a</p>
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			Chairman and a maximum of six members. One position <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> be reserved for a woman or a man.
8.2		8.5	The Athletes' Committee has a mission to represent the views of the athletes and make their voice heard within the ESC bodies.
8.2.1		8.5.1	The Athletes' Committee consists of seven (7) athletes (2 rifle, 2 pistol, 2 shotgun and one running target athlete), elected by athletes during the European Championships. Rifle, Pistol and Shotgun must be represented by one man and one woman each. The Chairperson has to be elected by the Committee members during their first meeting
8.3	Committee meetings shall be convened by the Chairman as necessary, at least once a year, after approval by the President.	8.6	
8.3.1		8.7	
8.3.1.1		8.7.1	
1		8.7.1.1	The Athletes' Committee is represented at the ESC General Assembly by two members who must be athletes elected by the Committee, who have no voting right, but have the right to speak.
8.3.1.1.1	The Chairman of each Committee shall send the minutes of the Committee meetings within 4 weeks to the ESC Secretariat and their proposals at least 6 weeks before the next meeting of the Presidium.	1	
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8.4		8.8	Committee meetings <del>shall</del> <b>should</b> be convened by the Chairman as necessary, at least once a year, after approval by the President.
8.4.1		8.8.1	
8.5		8.9	The Chairman of each Committee <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> send the minutes of the Committee meetings within 4 weeks to the ESC Secretariat and their proposals at least 6 weeks before the next meeting of the Presidium.

	<p>The Anti-Doping Officers shall advise and support the Presidium in all questions concerning their special expertise.</p> <p>The Anti-Doping Officers shall work in accordance with the guidelines.</p>		<p>Sub Committees or Temporary Committees may be nominated by the General Assembly or by the Presidium.</p> <p>The Anti-Doping Officers <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> advise and support the Presidium in all questions concerning their special expertise.</p> <p>The Anti-Doping Officers <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> work in accordance with the guidelines.</p>
<b>9.0</b>	<b>SECRETARIAT</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>SECRETARIAT</b>
9.1	A secretariat shall be established by the Presidium for the management of the current affairs of the European Shooting Confederation (ESC).	9.1	A secretariat <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> be established by the Presidium for the management of the current affairs of the <b>ESC</b> <del>European Shooting Confederation (ESC)</del> <b>in the country proposed by the President.</b>
9.2	The Secretary may not hold an office within the ESC.	9.2	<del>The Secretary may not hold an office within the ESC.</del>
		9.3	<b>To manage the current affairs of the ESC the Presidium may appoint a Secretary General proposed by the President.</b>
		9.3.1	<b>The Secretary General should be responsible for the:</b>
		9.3.2	<b>organisation, management and direction of the Secretariat,</b>
		9.3.3	<b>preparation of the meetings of the General Assembly, as well as</b>

		<p>meetings of the Presidium,</p> <p>9.3.4 coordination between the President and Presidium</p> <p>9.3.5 members,</p> <p>coordination of the ESC committees' work,</p> <p>9.3.6 cooperation between the ESC and organisers of European Championships, in cooperation with the appointed Technical Delegate, and other ESC official competitions or events,</p> <p>9.3.7</p> <p>9.3.8 implementation of decisions of the meetings of the General Assembly, of the Presidium and the President,</p> <p>9.3.9</p> <p>9.3.1 execution of the ESC's operational business and administrative work,</p> <p>0</p> <p>9.4 taking minutes of the meetings of the General Assembly, as well as of meetings of the Presidium,</p> <p>public relations work,</p> <p>taking care of the archive's documents of the ESC,</p> <p>The Secretary General must attend meetings of the General Assembly and of the Presidium and take an advisory part in deliberation, but has no vote.</p>	
<b>12.0</b>	<b>DISSOLUTION OF THE EUROPEAN SHOOTING CONFEDERATION</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>DISSOLUTION OF THE EUROPEAN SHOOTING CONFEDERATION</b>



12.4	<p>In the case of dissolution of the ESC any remaining assets together with all records shall be placed in trust with the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF), recognised as the international, non-profit organisation.</p> <p>Remaining assets shall only be used for the benefit of amateur shooting sports in Europe.</p>	12.4	<p>In the case of dissolution of the ESC any remaining assets together with all records <del>shall</del> <b>must</b> be placed in trust with the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF), recognised as the international, non-profit organisation.</p> <p>Remaining assets <del>shall</del> <b>should</b> only be used for the benefit of amateur shooting sports in Europe.</p>
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## EUROPEAN SHOOTING CONFEDERATION (ESC)

### GENERAL REGULATIONS

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- 1.1 The General Regulations of the European Shooting Confederation (ESC) ~~shall~~ **must** govern all official European Shooting Championships and other major shooting competitions in Europe.
- 1.2 The organisational, technical and administrative conditions and the programme of the European Championships ~~shall~~ **must** be based on these General Regulations.

#### 2.0

##### CONDITIONS

- 2.1 Only ESC Member Federations are entitled to participate in the European Championships. Other member federations of the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) may only participate in European Championships with a special permission given by the Presidium of the ESC.
- 2.2 All National Shooting Federations participating in the European Championships or other competitions acknowledged or supervised by the ESC ~~shall~~ **must** observe these rules.

#### 3.0

##### ORGANIZING, FREQUENCY AND HOST OBLIGATIONS OF OFFICIAL ESC COMPETITIONS

- 3.1 The host countries and the programme of the European Championships ~~shall~~ **must** be approved by the ESC General Assembly (GA) based upon

proposals, and recommendations of the ESC Presidium.

**3.2 The FREQUENCY of the European Championships shall ~~shall~~ must be as follows:**

- 3.2.1 **Every two years** in 50m/300m Rifle, 50m/25m Pistol, and 50m Running Target events, individual and teams, for men and women.
- 3.2.2 **Every year** in all 10m events and in Trap, Double Trap and Skeet for seniors and juniors, men and women, both individual and team competitions. Every year in the 50m Rifle, 50/25m Pistol events for juniors, men and women and 50m Running Target events for junior's men, both individual and team competition, except in the year when a World Championship is held.
- 3.3 A Member Federation desiring to organize a European Championship must submit an application to the ESC Secretariat at least three months in advance of the General Assembly at which the organizing Federation will be chosen. The ESC Presidium ~~shall~~ must inform the National Member Federations of the applicant(s) two months in advance of the General Assembly.

**The HOST APPLICATION must include the following:**

- 3.3.1 An official statement from the appropriate government agency or National Olympic Committee, indicating the support to be given to the organization of the Championships.
- 3.3.2 A statement that all the requirements of the ESC Statutes, these General Regulations and the ISSF Rules will be strictly observed.
- 3.3.3 A statement that all ESC Member Federations will be invited and that all participants and officials should obtain a visa to the host country if necessary.
- 3.3.4 A description of the existing or proposed shooting ranges and other necessary facilities, which must meet ISSF requirements.  
  
For shotgun, information must be given whether the ranges are certified as approved for shooting with lead pellets only or for pellets of any alternative material, like steel.
- 3.3.5 Information regarding the proposed organization of the Championship, range capacity, range facilities, transportation to and from the ranges, the availability of travel concession and any other relevant information.  
  
The bus transportation schedule must provide a possibility for the shooters and technical staff to commute easily, and several times a day between the official hotels and the shooting range.
- 3.3.6 A statement listing the events the organizers propose to include in the

programme.

- 3.3.7 A statement that the prices offered for board and lodging will be a maximum price which will not be exceeded.
- 3.3.8 Separate European Championships ~~shall~~ **should** always end with a Sunday as departure day **or include the week-end as competition days**.
- 3.3.9 The hotels being offered by the Organizing Committee should normally, but not necessarily, be accepted by the participating Federations.
- The Organizing Committee is not obliged to organize transfers to and from hotels, which are not offered in the programme.
- 3.4 If for any reason a chosen host country may not be able to organize the Championship or part(s) of the proposed events, another country or countries may be approved as the organizer(s) of the whole Championship or part(s) of it. In this case the ESC Presidium ~~shall~~ **must** take the decision.
- 3.4.1 Withdrawal is only possible with the approval of the ESC Presidium. ~~Unapproved~~ Withdrawal is subject to assessment of a fine or the suspension of ESC membership, or the suspension of participation at ESC/ISSF supervised competitions/championships (European Championships – European Cups) for a certain time decided by the ESC Presidium.
- 3.4.2 If no host application is received, **or if the Member Federation selected to organize the Championship withdraws**, the ESC Presidium may select any Member Federation as organizer. **Or, if no single Member Federation can be found, select Federations that offer to organize the Championship in separate groups of events**. If this is not possible, the ESC General Assembly or - in the middle of the time between ESC General Assembly's - the ESC Presidium ~~shall~~ **will** be authorised to cancel this particular Championship.

#### **4.0 PREFERABLE ORGANIZATION TIME AND DURATION OF CHAMPIONSHIPS**

- 4.1 For separate events of the European Championships in Trap, Double Trap, Skeet and 300m Rifle the ESC Presidium determines the time and duration in cooperation with the host country.
- 4.2 European Championships in the year preceding World Championships or Olympic Games, including all mandatory events except for 10m for Men, Women, **Men Junior and Women Junior** ~~and juniors, male and female~~, **shall should** take place between July 1st and September 15th.
- 4.3 European Championships for juniors in the years of Olympic Games should take place between July 1st and September 1st.
- 4.4 Separate 10 m European Championships ~~shall~~ **should** take place between

February 15th and March 15th.

## 5.0 SHOOTING SPORT EVENTS

5.1 Events recognised by the ESC are:

### 5.1.1 Men's events:

300m Rifle 3 Positions Men	3 x 40 shots	<b>kneeling, prone, standing</b>
300m Rifle Prone Men	60 shots prone	
300m Standard Rifle Men	3 x 20 shots	<b>kneeling, prone, standing</b>
50m Rifle 3 Positions Men	3 x 40 shots	<b>kneeling, prone, standing</b>
50m Rifle Prone Men	60 shots prone	
10m Air Rifle Men	60 shots standing	
50m Pistol Men	60 shots	
25m Rapid Fire Pistol Men	60 shots	
25m Centre Fire Pistol Men	30 + 30 shots	
25m Standard Pistol Men	3 x 20 shots	
10m Air Pistol Men	60 shots	
Trap Men	125 targets	
Double Trap Men	150 targets	
Skeet Men	125 targets	
50m Running Target Men	30 shots slow run, 30 shots fast run	
50m Running Target Mixed Men	40 shots mixed runs	
10m Running Target Men	30 shots slow runs, 30 shots fast run	
10m Running Target Mixed Men	40 shots mixed runs	

### 5.1.2 Women's events:

300m Rifle 3 positions Women	3 x 20 shots	<b>kneeling, prone, standing</b>
300m Rifle Prone Women	60 shots prone	
50m Rifle 3 Positions Women	3 x 20 shots	<b>kneeling, prone, standing</b>
50m Rifle Prone Women	60 shots prone	
10m Air Rifle Women	40 shots standing	
25m Pistol Women	30 + 30 shots	
10m Air Pistol Women	40 shots	
Trap Women	75 targets	
Double Trap Women	120 targets	
Skeet Women	75 targets	
10m Running Target Women	20 shots slow run, 20 shots fast run	
10m Running Target Mixed Women	40 shots mixed runs	

<b>5.1.3</b>	<b>Men Junior <del>Men's</del> events:</b>		
	50m Rifle 3 Positions <b>Men Junior</b>	3 x 40 shots	<b>kneeling, prone, standing</b>
	50m Rifle Prone <b>Men Junior</b>	60 shots prone	
	10m Air Rifle <b>Men Junior</b>	60 shots standing	
	50m Pistol <b>Men Junior</b>	60 shots	
	25m Rapid Fire Pistol <b>Men Junior</b>	60 shots	
	25m Pistol <b>Men Junior</b>	30 + 30 shots	
	25m Standard Pistol <b>Men Junior</b>	3 x 20 shots	
	10m Air Pistol <b>Men Junior</b>	60 shots	
	Trap <b>Men Junior</b>	125 targets	
	Double Trap <b>Men Junior</b>	150 targets	
	Skeet <b>Men Junior</b>	125 targets	
	50m Running Target <b>Men Junior</b>	30 shots slow run, 30 shots fast run	
	50m Running Target Mixed <b>Men Junior</b>	40 shots mixed runs	
	10m Running Target <b>Men Junior</b>	30 shots slow run, 30 shots fast run	
	10m Running Target Mixed <b>Men Junior</b>	40 shots mixed runs	
<b>5.1.4</b>	<b>Women Junior <del>Women's</del> events:</b>		
	50m Rifle 3 Positions <b>Women Junior</b>	3 x 20 shots	<b>kneeling, prone, standing</b>
	50m Rifle Prone <b>Women Junior</b>	60 shots prone	
	10m Air Rifle <b>Women Junior</b>	40 shots standing	
	25 m Pistol <b>Women Junior</b>	30 + 30 shots	
	10 m Air Pistol <b>Women Junior</b>	40 shots	
	Trap <b>Women Junior</b>	75 targets	
	Double Trap <b>Women Junior</b>	120 targets	
	Skeet <b>Women Junior</b>	75 targets	
	10m Running Target <b>Women Junior</b>	20 shots slow run, 20 shots fast run	
	10m Running Target Mixed <b>Women Junior</b>	40 shots mixed runs	
<b>5.2</b>	<b>EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS (individual and teams):</b>		
<b>5.2.1</b>	<b>Mandatory events for MEN:</b>		
	300m Rifle 3 Positions Men	3 x 40 shots	<b>kneeling, prone, standing</b>
	300m Rifle Prone Men	60 shots prone	
	300m Standard Rifle Men	3 x 20 shots	<b>kneeling, prone, standing</b>
	40 shots <b>kneeling, prone, standing</b>	50m Rifle 3 Positions Men	3 x
	prone	50m Rifle Prone Men	60 shots
	10m Air Rifle Men	60 shots standing	
	50m Pistol Men	60 shots	
	25m Rapid Fire Pistol Men	60 shots	
	25m Centre Fire Pistol Men	30 + 30 shots	

25m Standard Pistol Men	3 x 20 shots
10m Air Pistol Men	60 shots
Trap Men	125 targets
Double Trap Men	150 targets
Skeet Men	125 targets
50m Running Target Men	30 shots slow run, 30 shots fast run
50m Running Target Mixed Men	40 shots mixed runs
10m Running Target Men	30 shots slow runs, 30 shot fast run

### 5.2.2 Mandatory events for WOMEN:

50m Rifle 3 Positions Women	3 x 20 shots <b>kneeling, prone, standing</b>
50m Rifle Prone Women	60 shots prone
10m Air Rifle Women	40 shots standing
25m Pistol Women	30 + 30 shots
10m Air Pistol Women	40 shots
Trap Women	75 targets
Double Trap Women	120 targets
Skeet Women	75 targets
10m Running Target Women	20 shots slow run, 20 shots fast run

### 5.2.3 Mandatory events for MEN JUNIOR:

50 m Rifle 3 positions <b>Men Junior</b>	3x40 shots <b>kneeling, prone, standing</b>
50m Rifle Prone <b>Men Junior</b>	60 shots prone
10m Air Rifle <b>Men Junior</b>	60 shots standing
50m Pistol <b>Men Junior</b>	60 shots
25m Rapid Fire Pistol <b>Men Junior</b>	60 shots
25m Pistol <b>Men Junior</b>	30 + 30 shots
10m Air Pistol <b>Men Junior</b>	60 shots
Trap <b>Men Junior</b>	125 targets
Double Trap <b>Men Junior</b>	150 targets
Skeet <b>Men Junior</b>	125 targets
50m Running Target <b>Men Junior</b>	30 shots slow run, 30 shots fast run
50m Running Target Mixed <b>Men Junior</b>	40 shots mixed runs
10m Running Target <b>Men Junior</b>	30 shots slow run, 30 shots fast run

### 5.2.4 Mandatory events for WOMEN JUNIOR:

50m Rifle 3 Positions <b>Women Junior</b>	3 x 20 shots <b>kneeling, prone, standing</b>
50m Rifle Prone <b>Women Junior</b>	60 shots prone
10m Air Rifle <b>Women Junior</b>	40 shots standing
25m Pistol <b>Women Junior</b>	30 + 30 shots
10 m Air Pistol <b>Women Junior</b>	40 shots

Trap <b>Women Junior</b>	75 targets
Double Trap <b>Women Junior</b>	120 targets
Skeet <b>Women Junior</b>	75 targets
10 m Running Target <b>Women Junior</b>	20 shots slow run, 20 shots fast run

5.2.5 Team events (for teams of three (3) members) are recognised for all ESC recognised events. Teams will be ranked in the result list only with a full team of three (3) **athletes** participants.

5.2.5.1 A team, of which a member has been disqualified, must not be ranked under any circumstances but will be shown in the result list with the remark "DSQ".

5.3 In all Olympic events a **"QUALIFICATION" EVENTS" round and "FINALS" ROUNDS"** must be conducted both for seniors and juniors.

#### **5.4 Optional events:**

5.4.1 Any other event recognised by the ISSF may be included in the official European Championships' programme upon approval by the ESC Presidium, but a minimum of six (6) member Federations must certify that the event is practiced in their countries as a national championship.

5.4.2 If the number of individual entries in two consecutive European Championships does not reach 25 in the men's events, 15 in the women's events or 15 in the junior's events, this or these particular event(s) ~~shall~~ **should** be considered by the ESC Presidium for possible removal either from the list of ESC mandatory events to optional, or from the list of optional events. The final decision ~~shall~~ **must** be taken by the ESC General Assembly.

#### **5.5 JUNIORS, Definition of age, Restriction in Junior's participation in senior events:**

5.5.1 Juniors are ~~shooters~~ **athletes** who will be under the age of 21 on December 31st in the year of the competition.

5.5.2 ~~In the ESC mixed participation in the junior's events is not allowed owing to the division of the events into junior men and junior women events.~~

5.5.3 In the European Championship, juniors may participate in the Men's and Women's competitions, but in one category only (either in the junior's or in the senior's events) at the same Championship (place and period).

5.5.4 If there is no junior event programmed for a particular event in a Championship, juniors may participate in this event as a member of a national men's and women's event, even if they participate in the junior event in another event in the same Championships.



## 6.0 PARTICIPATION, TEAM SIZE, NUMBER OF ENTRIES

### 6.1 Only ESC Member Federations may participate in ESC Championship.

Any ~~competitor~~ **athlete** must be a national of the country they represent.

6.1.1 All disputes relating to the determination of the country, which **an** ~~competitor~~ **athlete** may represent ~~shall~~ **must** be resolved by the ESC Presidium and the ISSF Executive Committee.

6.1.2 ~~A competitor~~ **An athlete** who is a national of two or more countries at the same time may represent either one of them, as he may elect. However, after having represented one country in the Olympic Games or any ISSF supervised Competition/Championships (European Championships) he may not represent another country unless he meets the conditions set forth in the paragraphs below that apply to persons who have changed their nationality or acquired a new nationality.

6.1.3 ~~A competitor~~ **An athlete** who has represented one country in the Olympic Games or in any ISSF supervised competition/championships (European Championships), and who has changed his nationality or acquired a new nationality, may participate in ISSF supervised competitions/championships (European Championships) to represent his new country provided that at least three years have passed since the ~~competitor~~ **athlete** last represented his former country. This period may be reduced or even cancelled, with the agreement of the federations concerned and by the ISSF Executive Committee, which takes into account the circumstances of each case.

6.1.4 If an associated State, province, overseas department or a country or colony acquires independence, or if a country becomes incorporated within another country by reason of a change of border, or if a new NOC is recognised by the IOC, ~~a competitor~~ **an athlete** may continue to represent the country to which he belongs or has belonged. However, he may, if he prefers, choose to represent his new country or be entered in any competitions recognised by the ISSF and ESC by his new National Federation when recognised by the ISSF. This particular choice may be made only once.

6.1.5 Furthermore, in all cases in which ~~a competitor~~ **an athlete** would be eligible to participate in any competition recognised by the ISSF or ESC, either by representing another country than his or by having the choice as to the country which such ~~competitor~~ **athlete** intends to represent, the ISSF Executive Committee Board may take all decisions of a general or individual nature with regard to issues resulting from nationality, citizenship, domicile or residence of any ~~competitor~~ **athlete**, including the duration of any waiting period.



- 6.1.6 An official declaration of eligibility for each ~~shooter~~ **athlete** will be required from the Member Federation.
- 6.2 The period following naturalization may be reduced or even cancelled with the agreement of the two (2) National Federations concerned and the final approval of the ISSF Executive Committee.
- 6.3 All team leaders, coaches, officials and ~~shooters~~ **athletes** participating in European Championships and ESC supervised competitions must abide by the ESC and ISSF Rules and Regulations, which are in force for the Championships and competitions.
- 6.3.1 All athletes must sign an “Athlete’s Declaration” and have an ISSF ID Number before participation in any ESC Championship.**
- 6.4 MAXIMUM TEAM SIZE IN EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS:**
- 6.4.1 Three (3) participants represent the team size in all events in all categories.
- 6.4 THE MAXIMUM NATIONAL TEAM SIZE FOR EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS EVENTS IS AS FOLLOWS:**
- 6.5
- 6.5.1 Men:**
- |         |  |    |
|---------|--|----|
| 6.5.1.1 | In the 300m and 50m events                                 | 10 |
|         | if the 300m events are conducted separately or not entered | 6  |
| 6.5.1.2 | In the 50m and 25m Pistol events                           | 10 |
| 6.5.1.3 | In the 50m Running Target events                           | 3  |
| 6.5.1.4 | In the Trap event  | 3  |
| 6.5.1.5 | In the Double Trap event                                   | 3  |
| 6.5.1.6 | In the Skeet event   | 3  |
- 6.5.2 Women:**
- |         |  |   |
|---------|--|---|
| 6.5.2.1 | In the 300m and 50m Rifle events                           | 8 |
|         | if the 300m events are conducted separately or not entered | 6 |
| 6.5.2.2 | In the 25m Pistol events                                   | 3 |
| 6.5.2.3 | In the Trap event  | 3 |
| 6.5.2.4 | In the Double Trap event                                   | 3 |
| 6.5.2.5 | In the Skeet event   | 3 |
- 6.5.3 Men Junior:**
- |         |                                   |   |
|---------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 6.5.3.1 | In the 50m Rifle events           | 4 |
| 6.5.3.2 | In the 50m and 25 m Pistol events | 6 |
| 6.5.3.3 | In the 50m Running Target events  | 3 |
| 6.5.3.4 | In the Trap event                 | 3 |
| 6.5.3.5 | In the Double Trap event          | 3 |

6.5.3.6 In the Skeet event 3

**6.5.4 Women Junior:**

6.5.4.1 In the 50m Rifle events 4

6.5.4.2 In the 25m Pistol events 3

6.5.4.3 In the Trap event 3

6.5.4.4 In the Double Trap event 3

6.5.4.5 In the Skeet event 3

**6.5.5 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF ~~COMPETITORS~~ ATHLETES IN SEPARATE CHAMPIONSHIPS:**

6.5.5.1 In 10m Rifle, Pistol and Running Target Men 3

In 10m Running Target Women and Women Junior 3

6.5.5.2 In 50m Running Target championships 5

6.5.5.3 In 300m championships ..... Men 5

..... Women 4

**6.5.6 ADDITIONAL ~~SHOOTERS~~ ATHLETES**

6.5.6.1 Up to two (2) additional ~~shooters~~ athletes per Olympic event may be invited to shoot for MQS, but only if the range capacity allows additional participants.

6.5.6.1.1 These two (2) additional ~~shooters~~ athletes must not be ranked in the official result list. They must be listed separately according to their results, but without ranking, and their scores cannot be recognized as World Records or European Records.

6.5.6.1.2 Exchange of an ~~shooter~~ athlete competing for individual and/or team results with a MQS ~~shooter~~ athlete is not permitted. A MQS ~~shooter~~ athlete may replace a withdrawn team ~~shooter~~ athlete. The withdrawn ~~shooter~~ athlete may not shoot for MQS.

6.5.6.2 Replacements may only be made in the teams of three (3) registered for team events, but only from those (including MQS shooters) already registered for this Championship.

**6.6 OFFICIALS**

All persons entered as Officials must pay all appropriate fees.

**7.0 FEES IN EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

7.1 Entry fees must be paid to the Organizing Committee upon request. A fee of Euro 170.00 will be paid for each ~~shooter~~ athlete entered in each event. The Organizing Committee will retain this fee and must forward a fee of Euro 35.00 for each ~~shooter~~ athlete entered in each event to the ESC within 30

days after the Championship is ended. A fee of Euro 50.00 must be paid for each entered official.

- 7.1.1 The total amount of entry fees to be sent to the ESC within 30 days after each European Championship ~~shall~~ **must** be accompanied by a complete statement of account for all entry fees at the particular Championship.
- 7.2 A reasonable fee for shotgun training may be charged when approved by the ESC Presidium.
- 7.3 A federation reducing the number of ~~shooters~~ **athletes** and/or officials after the Final Entry Deadline is obliged to pay all applicable fees and costs, including entry fees, according to the number of ~~shooters~~ **athletes** and entries on the Final Entry Forms originally received. If the applicable fees and costs are not paid no member of that federation may participate.
- 7.4 According to the ISSF General Regulations a fee of Euro 5.00 for each ~~shooter~~ **athlete** entered in each event in European Championships must be paid to the ISSF Secretariat within thirty (30) days after the Championship.

## **8.0 MINIMUM NUMBER OF RANGES AND INSTALLATIONS REQUIRED**

- |     |                                    |                         |
|-----|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 8.1 | 300 m range                        | 30 firing points        |
|     | 50 m range (also for Juniors only) | 70 firing points        |
|     | 25 m range                         | 6 groups                |
|     | if for Juniors only                | 4 groups                |
|     | 10 m indoor range                  | <b>90</b> firing points |
|     | 50 m running target range          | 2 firing points         |
|     | 10 m running target range          | 4 firing points         |
|     | Trap / Double Trap }               | { 3 ranges              |
|     | Skeet }                            | { 3 ranges              |

All 10 m ranges must be installed in indoor facilities.

The ESC Presidium may only grant any exceptions to the above requirements.

The ESC **strongly** recommends that for European Championships a separate Final Range **or Final Hall** should be available.

- 8.2 The ISSF/ESC Technical Delegate is responsible for examining the ranges and other facilities to ensure that they meet ISSF/ESC standards and are suitable for conducting Championships.

## **8.2 The following facilities must be provided on or near the shooting ranges:**

- 8.2.1 Shelter against sun, wind and rain for shooters and officials.
- 8.2.2 Rooms, where the shooters can relax, change clothes and store guns, ammunition and equipment.
- 8.2.3 Meeting rooms for ESC officials and Juries. (Not for Committees)
- 8.2.4 Rooms for offices, target scoring, production of results, storage of targets and related material.
- 8.2.5 A bulletin board for the public display of results.
- 8.2.6 A suitable room (close to the range) with the necessary equipment and devices for arms and equipment control.
- 8.2.7 An armoury.
- 8.2.8 Parking places.
- 8.2.9 Appropriate free facilities for firearms and equipment manufacturers to service their products. (A reasonable fee may be charged for commercial displays).
- 8.2.10 A restaurant or similar facilities for food and refreshments.
- 8.2.11 Toilets and washrooms.
- 8.2.12 Postal, telephone, telegraph / telefax facilities.
- 8.2.13 A suitable area for victory ceremonies.
- 8.2.14 Room(s) for press, radio and television representatives.
- 8.2.15 Appropriate medical facilities and facilities for Doping Control (see Art. 10.4).

## **9.0 Competition Procedures**

- 9.1 The ESC General Regulations and the applicable current ISSF competition rules will govern the conduct of events in all ISSF supervised competitions/championships (European Championships).
  - 9.1.1 Each Member Federation organizing an ESC Championship must form an Organizing Committee that is responsible for the administration and conduct of the Championship on the basis of the ISSF General Regulations and Rules. The Organizing Committee must appoint a competition director and sufficient qualified staff to carry out these responsibilities and must submit reports to the ESC Presidium.

## 9.2 Programmes

9.2.1 The Preliminary Programme must be prepared by the Organizing Committee and submitted to the ESC Secretariat for examination and approval by the Presidium **twelve (12) months in advance of the Championship.**

9.2.2 When the ESC Presidium has approved the preliminary programme, the Organizing Committee ~~shall~~ **must** distribute this preliminary programme **to all ESC Member Federations not later than eight (8) months before the Championship.**

9.2.2.1 **The preliminary entry form** must be distributed with the preliminary programme.

9.2.3 The schedule for the mandatory events of the European Championship including training days and the opening and closing ceremonies should not exceed 12 days. At the option of the Organizing Committee, the ranges may be opened for additional training days before official training begins. The duration of the European Championship may be extended to not more than 14 days with the approval of the Presidium.

9.2.4 The final programme must be prepared by the Organizing Committee and submitted to the ESC Secretariat for examination and approval by the Presidium **not later than five (5) months** before the Championship.

9.2.5 The Organizing Committee ~~shall~~ **must** distribute the final, approved, programme **not later than four (4) months before the official arrival day of the Championship** to all those member federations **that have returned the preliminary entry form.**

9.2.5.1 **The final entry form** by name must be distributed with the final programme.

## 9.3 Entries

### 9.3 Preliminary entries

Each national federation entering the Championship must submit a preliminary entry to the Organising Committee at least six (6) months before the official arrival day. The preliminary entry must list all individual and team events in which the national federation will participate. All preliminary entries received after the Final Programme is published will be entered on a **waiting list** according to the date of the receipt of the entry and it may be that the participation is only possible if targets/places are available. The

Organizing Committee must inform the Nations in question of any such change immediately after these entries are received.

#### **9.4 Final Entries**

Final Entries must be forwarded to the ISSF Secretariat by fax or e-mail before midnight (Munich time) of the 30th day before the official arrival day. The final entries to the ISSF Secretariat may be made via the ISSF online registration. The final entry must list the names and ID numbers of all ~~shooters~~ **athletes**. Also the final entry must list the names and dates of birth of all officials with their function during the European Championship.

9.4.1 The Organizing Committee reserves the right to reject any entries received after the deadlines in this article and/or establish a waiting list.

9.4.2 Late entries received after the deadline for final entry must not be allowed to participate in the events unless received by the ISSF Secretariat three (3) days before the official arrival day and the following can be complied with:

9.4.2.1 the final programme may not be changed;

9.4.2.2 the late entries do not cause a problem with any other organizational matters.

9.4.3 Any entry accepted after the final entry deadline will incur a penalty of Euro 50.00 additional entry fee for each ~~shooter~~ **athlete** entered in each event which has to be paid to the organizing committee by the federation who makes the late entry.

9.4.4 Any additional entries received after the deadline of three (3) days before the official arrival day may not participate.

9.4.5 Replacement of a registered ~~shooter~~ **athlete** by another already registered ~~shooter~~ **athlete** for the Championship is permitted. This change can only be made before 12:00 the day before the pre-event training for the event.

#### **9.5 Technical Delegate**

9.5.1 An European Championship is one of the ISSF supervised competitions (see ISSF General Regulations, Art. 3.2.1) and therefore the ESC Presidium supervises a Championship through an ISSF / ESC Technical Delegate who is responsible for examining the preparation of the Championship and advising the Organizing Committee.

9.5.1.1 The Technical Delegate must not be designated from the members of the Federation of the organizing country.

9.5.1.2 In order that the Technical Delegate can carry out his responsibilities, he must be invited at the expense of the Organising Committee to the site of the Championships once, four (4) to six (6) months before the Championships, and again, not less than three (3) days before the first official training day.

## **9.6 Information to be sent to the ISSF Secretariat:**

9.6.1 Copies of all invitations, programmes and entry forms for European Championships must also be sent to the Secretary General of the ISSF (see ISSF General Regulations, Art. 3.7.5.1).

9.6.2 One (1) copy of the official result lists of each event must be sent to the ISSF Secretariat via fax or e-mail immediately after it has been verified, but not later than the end of the competition day.

9.6.3 Three (3) copies of the official result lists must be sent to the ISSF Secretariat no later than three (3) days after the completion (see ISSF 3.7.5.3) of the events. A list showing the number of countries and the number of competitors participating in each discipline, by events, must be included with the results lists.

~~9.7~~ 9.6 The participating federation is responsible for the travel and living expenses of team members. The Organizing Committee must provide transportation from the local airport or railway station to the official hotels and from the official hotels to the range. The cost for transfer from the airport(s) to the official hotels and back may be charged when approved by the Presidium.

## **9.8 Symbols**

9.8.1 The design of the official championships symbol and all official medals, awards etc. which are the responsibility of the Organising Committee, must be submitted to the ESC President at least six (6) months prior to the Championships, for approval.

## **10.0 DOPING CONTROL**

10.1 Doping Control in the European Championships shall ~~shall~~ **must** be conducted in all disciplines of all categories according to procedures established by the ISSF Administrative Council.



## **11.0 JURIES, DESIGNATION, DUTIES, PROTESTS AND APPEALS**

- 11.1 In all European Championships the Presidium designates Juries in all the main groups of events, classification **and equipment control**.
- 11.2 The various Juries ~~shall~~ **should** be composed of a Chairman and two to five members (Chairman and three to seven members for shotgun events).
  - 11.2.1 At least one member of each Jury must be from the Organising Federation, but not the Chairman.
- 11.3 In accordance with the number of events at the Championship the following Juries ~~shall~~ **must** be designated:
  - 11.3.1 Jury for rifle events
  - 11.3.2 Jury for pistol events
  - 11.3.3 Jury for shotgun events
  - 11.3.4 Jury for running target events
  - 11.3.5 Jury for classification (scoring and results).
  - 11.3.6 Jury for equipment control.**
- 11.4 The arms and equipment control at the Championship is the responsibility of the Organizer. However, at least one Jury member of the relevant discipline must always be present at the arms and equipment control.
- 11.5 In all Championships the ESC Presidium ~~shall~~ **must** also designate a Jury of Appeal. The Jury of Appeal ~~shall~~ **must** consist of three members; two of them **should, if possible** be from the ESC Presidium, of which one must be the Chairman. The third member must be from the organizing federation.
- 11.6 All Jury members must hold a valid ISSF "A" or "B" license and must arrive at the Championship's site before the first training day.
- 11.7 The Organizing Committee is responsible for the travelling costs to the Championship's town, for the living expenses (lodging in single rooms) and the local transportation of the Jury members, the Anti-Doping Officer, the Media Officer and the ESC Webmaster during the Championship.
  - 11.7.1 The Organizing Committee is responsible for notifying the Jury members of accommodation and obtaining the details of the travel arrangements.
- 11.8 Duties of the Juries:**
  - 11.8.1 The Juries for different events and activities ~~shall~~ **must** supervise, control, assist, advise and decide in all questions and problems concerning the competitions, the competitors and the results within their respective responsibilities and in accordance with the ESC General Regulations and the ISSF General Regulations and Rules.



- 11.8.2 The actual conduct of and responsibility for the European Championship lies with the Organizing Committee.
- 11.8.3 The Jury of Appeal is responsible for making final decisions on all appeals against decisions by Juries. The decisions of the Jury of Appeal are final. (See also ISSF Rules, art. **6.16.7 and 9.16.10**).
- 11.8.4 **Protests and appeals** will be dealt with and decided according to the ISSF Rules, art. **6.16 and 9.16**

## **12.0 PROTOCOL AND AWARDS**

- 12.1 The European Championship must be inaugurated with an opening ceremony, ~~which shall~~ **to** be held on either the first day of competition or on the day before. A closing ceremony may be held on the last day of competition. Arrangements of the opening and closing ceremonies must be approved by the ~~ESC Presidium~~ **Technical Delegate**.
- 12.2 A victory ceremony ~~shall~~ **must** be held for each Championship event following these conditions:
  - 12.2.1 The flag of the countries of the three individual or team winners ~~shall~~ **must** be raised while the national anthem of the winner's country is played.
  - 12.2.2 The programme for the victory ceremony ~~shall~~ **must** be approved by the ~~ESC Presidium~~ **Technical Delegate**. At big European Championships with many events, the Organizing Committee must arrange victory ceremonies every day of competition.
  - 12.2.3 The time of the victory ceremony(ies) ~~shall~~ **must** be established by the Organizing Committee with the approval of the ~~ESC President~~ **Technical Delegate**.
- 12.3 In European Championships the Organizing Committee ~~shall~~ **must** award:
  - 12.3.1 Medals in gold, silver and bronze to the first three places in individual events. No individual medals ~~shall~~ **must** be awarded if the number of participants, entered at the final entry date (~~see art. 9.5.2~~), is less than fifteen (15) in the Men's events, less than ten (10) in the Woman's and Junior's (**Men and Women**) events.
  - 12.3.2 Team championship medals of similar design in gold silver and bronze to each member of the first three placed teams. No team medals ~~shall~~ **must** be awarded if the number of teams, entered at the final entry date (~~see art. 9.5.2~~), is less than five (5) in the Men's events, less than four (4) in the Women's, and less than three (3) in the Junior's (**Men and Women**) events.

- 12.3.2.1 If these minimums are not reached, the event will be declared as an “International Championship” of the nation which is organizing the Championship.
- 12.3.3 If due to too few entries no individual or team medals can be awarded, the Organizing Committee must inform those member federation(s) who have entered by telefax or e-mail in order that they may withdraw.
- 12.3.4 Certificates or Diplomas to the first eight (8) ~~shooters~~ **athletes** in each individual event.
- 12.3.5 A commemorative medal, of a different design from the Championship’s medals, to each ~~shooter~~ **athlete**, team official, judge and delegate.
- 12.3.6 Gold, silver and bronze refers to the colour, not to the metal content.

### **13.0 EUROPEAN RECORDS**

- 13.1 European Records may be established in all recognised ESC Men's, Women's and Junior's events in Olympic Games, World Championships, World Cups, World Cup Finals, **European Games**, European Championships and Finals of European Cups 300m.
  - 13.1.1 European records in the finals of European Cups 300m may be recognised upon appointment of a Technical Delegate by the Presidium and in compliance with art. 10.0 and 11.0.
- 13.2 Junior European Records will be recognised only in Junior events (see Art. 5.1.3 and 5.1.4) fired either as special Junior competitions in ISSF or ESC Championships or by Junior ~~shooters~~ **athletes** competing in regular ISSF or ESC Championships or other competitions according to Art. 13.1.
- 13.3 European Records in individual events may be established in eliminations as well as in qualifications of competitions mentioned in Art. 13.1
- 13.4 European Final Records may be established in all recognised Men's and Women's Olympic events according to the corresponding ISSF Rules (General Regulations, art.3.3.2), and ESC General Regulations, art 13.1. European Final Records may also be established in the corresponding Junior’s (**Men and Women**) events.
- 13.5 European records will be recognised in individual events if a minimum of fifteen (15) ~~shooters~~ **athletes** in the Men's events and ten (10) ~~shooters~~ **athletes** in the Women's and Junior's events participate, with the exception of World Cup Finals and 300m Europe Cup Finals.  
 In team events if the number of teams is not less than five (5) in Men's events, not less than four (4) in Women's and not less than three (3) in

Junior's (**Men and Women**) events.

- 13.6 The ESC will issue a European Record diploma to ~~shooters~~ **athletes** or team members who establish European Records.

#### **14.0 REPORTS FROM THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE**

- 14.1 Within 30 days after the end of the European Championships the Organising committee via the national member federation shall forward to the ESC and ISSF Secretariats the championships report listing the following:

14.1.1 All technical details regarding the conduct of the championships.

14.1.2 All details concerning the observation of the protocol and ceremonies at the championships.

14.1.3 The championship result list for all competitors in all events.

14.1.4 Report on new or equal European Records, confirmed by the chairman of the Classification Jury.

14.1.5 A complete statement of account on all entry fees paid.

14.1.6 A letter of recommendation of such persons who have made an extraordinary contribution to success of the championships.

14.1.7 Useful experiences and proposals that may contribute to the improvement of future European Championships.

#### **~~15.0~~ 14.0 MEDIA RELATIONS **and** ESC RIGHTS**

**14.1** The Media coverage, Broadcasting and Advertising rights of all European Championships and other ESC official events (General Assemblies, Congresses etc) are the property of the European Shooting Confederation.

**14.2** Press, radio and television services ~~shall~~ **must** be given all cooperation and assistance to ensure the free flow of public information and communication. Necessary facilities including **internet connections**, telecommunications, telephone, ~~typewriters~~, etc. must be available prior to and during the Championship.

**14.3** Provisions for interviews, photography and other media requirements will be made by the Organising Committee to ensure that media personnel have access to competitors and team leaders; provided that such arrangements do not cause inconvenience to individual(s) concerned. Media representatives may communicate with shooters through their respective team leaders.

#### **~~16.0~~ 15.0 GENERAL**

**15.1** Alterations of the General Regulations may only be made by the General

Assembly. However, the ESC General Regulations must always conform to the corresponding ISSF rules.

15.2 Upon approval, alterations become effective as soon as possible, on a date decided by the General Assembly. (See also Art. 7.2.5, ESC Statutes).

15.3 The General Regulations may be extended by annexes for the following:

~~15.3.1 Guidelines for Organizing Committees.~~

~~15.3.2 Procedures for recognition of European Records.~~

~~15.3.3 General procedures for and contents of the Technical Meetings.~~

~~15.3.4 Guidelines for the operations of public affairs', press, radio and TV.~~

~~15.3.5 Guidelines for the organization of Grand Prix of Europe in shotgun shooting.~~

#### ~~15.3.6 SPECIAL RULES FOR MEDIA COVERAGE AND ADVERTISEMENT OF OFFICIAL ESC CHAMPIONSHIPS~~

~~15.3.6.1 All rights concerning contractual and property matters with the production and use of television, radio, film and photographic coverage of the European Championship are the exclusive property of the European Shooting Confederation.~~

~~15.3.6.2 These rights may not be sold, transferred or negotiated without the written agreement of the President acting on the decision of the Presidium, which may delegate its authority to negotiate the sale or utilisation of these rights, but which shall ~~should~~ retain the sole responsibility for the final decision and for utilisation of the income from the sale of the rights.~~

15.3.7 The annexes to the General Regulations must not contravene the Statutes and the General Regulations of the ESC and ISSF and must be approved by the ESC Presidium.

### ~~17.0~~ 16.0 DEVELOPMENT OF THE GENERAL REGULATIONS

The above General Regulations of the ESC have been introduced and approved at an extraordinary General Assembly, Enschede, Holland, on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 1974 and amended at the General Assembly, London, England, on 20<sup>th</sup> February 1975.

Revised at the General Assembly, Paris, France, on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 1976.  
Improved at the General Assembly, Bucharest, Romania, on 31<sup>st</sup> August 1977.

Revised and improved at the General Assembly, Titograd, Yugoslavia, on 16<sup>th</sup> September 1981.

Coordinated with UIT General Regulations and discussed at the General Assembly, Dortmund, Germany, on 18<sup>th</sup> March 1983.

Completed, improved and approved by the Extraordinary General Assembly, Bucharest, Romania, on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 1983.

Revised and adjusted to the UIT General Regulations and approved at the General Assembly, Zagreb, Yugoslavia, on 6<sup>th</sup> July 1989.

The ESC General Regulations have been revised and adjusted to the UIT General Regulations by the ESC Presidium, Stresa, Italy, on April 17<sup>th</sup> 1993 and approved by the General Assembly, Brno, Czech Republic, on August 8<sup>th</sup> 1993.

Revised at the General Assembly, Zürich, Switzerland on 30<sup>th</sup> September 1995

Revised at the Extraordinary General Assembly, Warsaw, Poland, on 28<sup>th</sup> February 1997.

Revised at the General Assembly, Zagreb, Croatia, on the 22<sup>th</sup> July 2001.

Revised at the General Assembly, Plzen, Czech Republic, on the 16<sup>th</sup> July 2003.

Revised at the General Assembly, Belgrade, Serbia and Montenegro, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2005.

Revised at the General Assembly, Granada, Spain, on the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2007.

Revised at the General Assembly, Osijek, Croatia, on the 11<sup>th</sup> July 2009.

Revised at the General Assembly, Moscow, Russian Federation, on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2013.

### **Comments from the Delegates:**

1. Mr. Marcel Benz from Switzerland proposes to complement the article 3.13 of the Statutes with a provision that a suspended Member Federation loses its membership rights but keeps all obligations.

**Decision:** to complete the article 3.13 of the Statutes with a provision proposed by Mr. Marcel Benz (there were 3 abstentions)

2. Mr. Vladimir Lisin proposes to make the last sentence of the article 8.1. of the General Regulations more precise: “For European Championships a separate Final Range or Final Hall must be available”.

**Decision:** to make the wording of the article 8.1. of the General Regulations more precise as proposed by Mr. Vladimir Lisin.

3. Mr. Jan Tore Berg-Knutsen from Norway on behalf of the Nordic group of countries asks to explain the meaning of the article 6.4.2 of the ESC Statutes.

Biserka Vrbek and Alexander Ratner give thorough explanations. The main idea is that by approving the President's report, the Presidium report and other reports, by electing the Presidium, the ESC General Assembly determines the strategy of the ESC. Thus, on one hand, European representatives in the ISSF ruling bodies must be able to defend this strategy in the ISSF and feel responsible for it. On the other hand, they must be able to implement the ISSF decision in the ESC activities.

Mr. Berg-Knutsen accepts the explanations and asks to reflect his question as well as the explanations in the Minutes of the General Assembly.

**General Decision on point 12.1:** all addendums and changes in the ESC Statutes and General Regulations are unanimously approved, including the proposals of Mr. Benz and Mr. Lisin.

## **12.2 Approval of the Guidelines for the Athletes' Committee**

### **THE GUIDELINES FOR THE ATHLETES' COMMITTEE**

The duties of the Athletes' Committee are the following:

1. To consider issues related to athletes and to report to the ESC;
2. To gather information and opinions on athletes' needs and problems during training and competitions at the European Championships;
3. To represent the rights and interests of athletes and to make related recommendations to the ESC Presidium;
4. To maintain contact with the ISSF Athletes' Committee;
5. To support the fight against doping.

The Athletes' Committee consists of seven (7) athletes (2 Rifle, 2 Pistol, 2 Shotgun and one Running target athlete), elected by athletes during the European Championships (the last ECH of discipline group before the elections). Rifle, Pistol and Shotgun must be represented by one man and one woman each.

The Athletes' Committee is composed of a majority of athletes who, at the time of their election/nomination, are at least participating in competitions of the European or/and international level in the corresponding discipline group (Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun and RT), or have done so within the previous four years.

The Athlete's Committee convenes at least once a year, according to invitation of the Chairperson of the Athletes' Committee or the ESC President. The ESC President has a right to invite the representative of the Athletes Committee to

take part in the Presidium meeting when the topic on the agenda is related to the rights and interests of athletes. The minutes of the Committee meetings must be submitted to the President within four (4) weeks, and proposals at least six (6) weeks before the next meeting of the Presidium.

The Athletes' Committee is represented at the ESC General Assembly by two members who must be athletes elected by the Committee, who have no voting right, but have the right to speak.

The term of office is four years. The members of the Athletes' Committee are eligible for re-election, but only once.

The nominations will be done by the Member Federations – one nomination per Member Federation.

The ESC Member Federations may present a candidate for the Athletes' Committee according to the Guidelines to the ESC Statutes, but not earlier than two (2) months before and not later than 15 days before the day of the opening ceremony of the European Championships.

The Secretary General will establish a list of all nominated candidates including a C.V. separately for each discipline group. This list will be published at the ESC website.

With the accreditation of all participating athletes in the European Championships each athlete will be given a voting paper showing all the candidates and all the information on the voting procedure.

Each athlete may vote for a maximum of two (2) athletes in Pistol, Rifle and Shotgun and one (1) in Running target shooting discipline. The two (2) athletes in Rifle, Pistol and Shotgun and one athlete in Running Target who have received the highest number of votes, will be considered elected as members of the Athletes' Committee.

The Chairperson has to be elected by the Athletes' Committee members during their first meeting.

The ESC Member Federation is obliged to support and cover all necessary costs of its athlete in the Athletes' Committee.

**Decision:** the Guidelines for the Athletes' Committee are unanimously approved.

### **12.3 Other proposals**

#### **ESC Sub-Committees for 2013-2016**

The Presidium proposes to dissolve the Economy Sub-Committee and the Summer Biathlon Sub-Committee and to rename the Guns Legislation Sub-Committee into the Legal Sub-Committee.

Thus, the following list of the ESC Sub-Committees for 2013-2016 is proposed:

Legislation Sub-Committee;

300m Sub-Committee;

Environment Sub-Committee

**Decision:** the proposal of the Presidium is approved.

### **13.Proposals of the Member Federations**

The Review Committee composed by Pekka Kuusisto and Alexander Ratner informs the participants that there was only one proposal on the National Federation, namely FITAV, duly presented for consideration by the General Assembly. This proposal has been included in the book with all other official meeting documents that has been given to the delegates of the General Assembly. All the matters raised in the FITAV proposal were discussed during the Seminar on Legislation and Environmental Issues held on May 17. Thus, actually, there is no need to discuss it once again.

Luciano Rossi, FITAV President, confirms that the matters raised in the FITAV letter, were discussed and that there is no need to discuss them again.

**Decision:** the information is taken into consideration.

### **14.Presentation of the European Games project**

The representative of the Shooting Federation of the Azerbaijani Republic Emin Jafarov makes a presentation of the venue for the European Games, which are to be held in Baku in 2015, and makes the general presentation of the city of Baku with its non-competition venues. A video about Baku is shown.

**Decision:** the information is taken into consideration.

### **15.Decision on the Membership fees**

**Decision:** the decision is taken unanimously to keep the annual membership fee unchanged.

### **16.Miscellaneous**

#### **16.1 Electronic voting system**

The Secretary General informs the participants that the Presidium decided to propose to the General Assembly using the electronic voting system for the elections that are to take place on May 18. He explains how it works. Testing takes place.

**Decision:** the use of the electronic voting system during the elections is approved.



**The first working session of the General Assemble ends at 19.00.**

**The second working session starts at 10.00 on May 18, 2013**

The session starts with the proposal of the Secretary General to pay tribute to those members of the European shooting family who have passed away since the previous ESC General Assembly in Belgrade. Namely, Mr. Josef Ambacher, President of the German Shooting Sport Federation, Mr. Vito Genco (Italy), President of the WFSA, Mr. Milan Sotra (Serbia), President of the Organizing Committee of the 2011 European Championship in Belgrade, Mr. Joseph Fischlin (Switzerland), President of the CISM Shooting Committee, Mr. Helmut John (Germany) and Mr. Evgeny Polikanin (Russia), ISSF Honorary Member.

All the delegates stand up for a minute of silence.

## **17. Reports of the Organizing Committees of the European Championships**

Before the beginning of the reports the Secretary General reminds the delegates that at the end of 2011 Switzerland withdrew from the right to host the European Championship 25/50/300m in 2013, and in 2012 the Presidium decided to grant the right to organize this Championship to Croatia.

He also points out that at the beginning of 2013 Denmark withdrew from the right to host the 2014 European Championship Shotgun and on May 16, 2013 the Presidium decided to grant the right to organize this Championship to Hungary on condition that the Hungarian Shooting Federation signs the Host Federation Agreement.

Finally, the Secretary General reminds the participants that at the XXIII Ordinary General Assembly in 2011 there were no candidates for the 2015 European Championship 25/50/300m, RT and Shotgun and that on May 16, 2013 the Presidium took a decision to grant the right to organize this Championship to Slovenia on the condition that the Shooting Union of Slovenia signs the Host Federation Agreement.

### **17.1 ECH 2013 (25/50/300m) in Osijek, Croatia**

Zoran Zelic, a representative of the Organizing Committee, gives a report on the preparation to the European Championship 25/50/300m 2013 in Osijek, Croatia on 21.07 – 04.08.2013. He presents the general information about the competition, information on the conditions of accommodation and transportation for participants and officials as well as on accreditation and payment, entry visas, firearms customs formalities, the range and the targets, storage of firearms, etc.

**Decision:** the information is taken into consideration.

## **17.2 ECH 2013 (Shotgun, RT) in Suhl, Germany**

Jörg Brokamp, the Secretary General of the German Shooting Sport Federation, gives a brief report on the preparation to the European Championship SG/RT which is to be held in Suhl from 28.07 to 08.08.2013.

**Decision:** the information is taken into consideration.

## **17.3 ECH 2014 (10m) in Moscow, Russia**

Anna Leshchikova, a delegate of the Russian Shooting Union, gives a report on the preparation to the European Championship 10m which is to be held from 26.02 to 06.03.2014 in Moscow. She gives the information on the sports venue, accommodation, transportation, anti-doping control, visa support, ammunition and customs clearance, mass media and promotion and on the cultural program.

**Decision:** the information is taken into consideration.

## **17.4 ECH 2014 (Shotgun) in Sarlópuszta, Hungary**

The President of the Hungarian Shooting Federation Mr. György Nagy makes a report on the preparation to the European Championship in Shotgun which is to be held from 30.06 to 11.07.2014 in Sarlópuszta. He gives the information on the venue, the necessary facilities, the hotels, the cuisine, etc. A video about Hungary and Sarlópuszta is shown.

**Decision:** the information is taken into consideration.

## **17.5 ECH 2015 (10 m) in Arnhem, Netherlands**

Egbert Ijzerman, the President of the Organizing Committee and of the Netherlands Shooting Sport Association, makes a report on the preparation to the European Championship 10m in Arnhem, which is to take place from 02.05 to 08.05.2015. He gives the information on the composition of the Executive Committee, on the national sports center Papendal, the hotel facilities, the event services, the available communication and the competition venues.

**Decision:** the information is taken into consideration.

## **17.6 ECH 2015 in Maribor, Slovenia**

Jozef Slapar, the President of the Shooting Union of Slovenia, makes a report on the preparation to the European Championship 25/50/300m/SG/RT 2015, which is to take place in Maribor from 26.07 to 09.08.2015. He gives the information on the organizers, the previously organized international competitions, the location of the shooting range, the shooting center Gaj, the infrastructure, the proposed dates of the Championship and competition schedule, the climate conditions and the accommodation.

**Decision:** the information is taken into consideration.

## **18.Voting on Organizers of the European Championships 2016-2017**

Before the start of the voting the Secretary General proposes making another roll-call and to charge the Elections Committee with responsibility to control the distribution of electronic devices according to the number of votes each Member Federation must have.

This proposal is unanimously approved.

The composition of the Elections Committee is also unanimously approved: Poul Erik Hansen from Denmark, Meelis Loit from Estonia and Egbert Ijzerman from the Netherlands.

The Elections Committee takes care of the procedure. In total there are 90 votes (see Annex).

### **18.1 ECH 2016 (10 m)**

Two candidatures have been presented: Croatia and Hungary.

#### **CROATIA**

Zoran Zelic, a representative of the Croatian Shooting Federation, makes a presentation of the Croatian bid for the organization of the Championship to be held in Osijek. He gives the information on the venue and the facilities.

#### **HUNGARY**

The President of the Hungarian Shooting Federation György Nagy makes a presentation of the Hungarian bid for the organization of the Championship to be held in Győr. He gives the information on the venue and shows a video about Hungary and the city of Győr.

After the presentation voting takes place with the following results:

Croatian Shooting Federation – 27 votes,

Hungarian Shooting Federation – 63 votes.

**Decision:** the 2016 European Championship 10m will be held in Hungary.

### **18.2 ECH 2016 (Shotgun)**

Five candidatures were initially presented: Cyprus, Bulgaria, Hungary, Italy and Slovenia. Following the nomination to organize the European Championship Shotgun in 2014 the Hungarian Shooting Federation withdraws its application for 2016.

#### **CYPRUS**

Demetris Lordos, the President of the Cyprus Shooting Sport Federation, takes the floor and withdraws the candidature of Cyprus in favor of Italy.

## BULGARIA

Anton Stankov, the President of the Bulgarian Trap and Skeet Federation, makes a presentation of the Bulgarian bid for the organization of the Championship to be held in Pleven. He gives the information on the city, the hotels and the shooting range.

## ITALY

Luciano Rossi, the President of the Federazione Italiana Tiro a Volo, makes a presentation of the Italian bid for the organization of the Championship to be held in Lonato del Garda. He presents the preliminary program, gives the information on the venue, the shooting ranges and the facilities, the transport, the catering, the possibilities of renting a car, the ammunition storage, the accommodation, the weather conditions, the visa, the gun license, police and customs formalities, the environmental impact, the sport activity at Trap Concaverde, the media possibilities, the city of Lonato del Garda, etc.

## SLOVENIA

Jozef Slapar, the President of the Shooting Union of Slovenia, makes a presentation of the Slovenian bid for the organization of the Championship to be held in Maribor. He gives the information on the organizer, the previously held international competitions, the location of the venue, the infrastructure of the shooting center, the proposed dates of the championship, the accommodation and the climate conditions.

After the presentation voting takes place with the following results:

Bulgarian Trap and Skeet Federation – 11 votes,

Federazione Italiana Tiro a Volo – 69 votes,

Shooting Union of Slovenia – 10 votes.

**Decision:** the 2016 European Championship Shotgun will be held in Italy.

### 18.3 ECH Juniors 2016 (R, P)

No candidatures have been presented.

### 18.4 ECH 2017 (10 m)

Only one candidature has been presented – that of Slovenia. The presentation has already been made, and the representatives of the Shooting Union of Slovenia decide not to repeat it.

The voting has shown the following results:

Shooting Union of Slovenia: Yes – 82, No – 3, Abstention – 5.

**Decision:** the 2017 European Championship 10m will be held in Slovenia.

## **18.5 ECH 2017 (25/50/300m, RT, Shotgun)**

No candidatures have been presented.

At the end of this working session the President thanks Mr. Werner Hirt for his long-time contribution to the European Shooting Confederation and hands over a special ESC Diploma and commemorative medal to him.

The same kind of Diploma and medal are given to Mr. Heinz-Helmut Fischer, the President of the German Shooting Sport Federation, with the request to hand them over to Mr. Max Mückl.

**The second working session ends at 12.00**

**The third working session starts at 15.00**

## **19. Elections**

The Secretary General reminds the delegates that according to the article 6.6.4. of the ESC Statutes a “chairman pro tempore” has to be elected by the General Assembly during the election of the President. He informs the participants that the Presidium decided to propose the Secretary General for the position of this “chairman pro tempore”.

**Decision:** to approve the Secretary General as “chairman pro tempore” of the General Assembly during the election of the President.

### **19.1 ESC President**

There has been only one candidature presented for the position of the ESC President – that of Vladimir Lisin.

The voting has shown the following results:

Yes – 82, No – 5, Abstention – 3.

**Decision:** Vladimir Lisin is reelected as the ESC President.

### **19.2 ESC Vice-Presidents**

Two candidatures – Kerstin Bodin and Pekka Kuusisto – have been presented for the two positions of the ESC Vice-Presidents.

The first voting is for the candidature of Kerstin Bodin.

The voting has shown the following result:

Yes – 79, No – 11, Abstention – 0;

**Decision:** Kerstin Bodin is elected as the ESC Vice-President.

The second voting is for the candidature of Pekka Kuusisto.

The voting has shown the following result:

Yes – 83, No – 6, Abstention – 1.

**Decision:** Pekka Kuusisto is elected as the ESC Vice-President.

### **19.3 ESC Presidium members**

There have been ten candidatures presented for eight positions of the members of the ESC Presidium: Yair Davidovich, Alexandros Dimakakos, Wilhelm Grill, Tamaz Imnaishvili, Petros Kyristis, Tom Lauritzen, Robert Loughridge, György Nagy, Ernfried Obrist and Biserka Vrbek.

The voting has shown the following results:

Ernfried Obrist – 76

Petros Kyristis - 75

Biserka Vrbek - 71

Wilhelm Grill - 70

Yair Davidovich - 69

Tamaz Imnaishvili - 68

György Nagy - 52

Alexandros Dimakakos - 51

Tom Lauritzen - 45

Robert Loughridge - 44

**Decision:** Ernfried Obrist, Petros Kyristis, Biserka Vrbek, Wilhelm Grill, Yair Davidovich, Tamaz Imnaishvili, György Nagy, Alexandros Dimakakos are elected as the ESC Presidium members.

### **19.4 Chairperson of the Technical Committee**

One candidature – Ghislaine Briez – has been presented for the position of the ESC Chairperson of the Technical Committee.

The voting has shown the following results:

Yes – 81, No – 5, Abstention – 4.

**Decision:** Ghislaine Briez is elected as the Chairwoman of the ESC Technical Committee.

### **19.5 Chairperson of the ESC Press and Promotion Committee**

There was only one candidature for the position of the Chairperson of the ESC Press and Promotion Committee – that of Risto Aarrekiivi.

The voting has shown the following results:

Yes – 84, No – 3, Abstention – 3.

**Decision:** Risto Aarrekiivi is elected as the Chairman of the ESC Press and Promotion Committee.

## **19.6 ESC Auditors**

There has been only one candidature for the position of the ESC Auditor – that of Siegfried Böck.

The voting has shown the following results:

Yes: 87, No – 2, Abstention – 1.

**Decision:** Siegfried Böck is elected as the ESC Auditor.

## **20. Any new business**

**20.1** The German Shooting Sport Federation proposes to nominate Mr. Heinz-Helmut Fischer, President of the GSSF, as the ESC Auditors' Adviser.

**Decision:** Mr. Heinz-Helmut Fischer is approved as the ESC Auditors' Adviser.

**20.2** Mr. Stanislav Beliaev, the Director of the European Shooting Sport Council, informs the delegates that the EU public consultations on the “criminal use of firearms” are taking place and asks all ESC Member Federations to take active part in those consultations by answering to the EU questionnaire before the deadline that is June 17.

**20.3** The signing of the Host Federation Agreements takes place.

On behalf of the ESC its President Vladimir Lisin signs the Agreement with the Russian Shooting Union on the organization of the 2014 European Championship 10m, the Agreement with the Hungarian Shooting Federation on the organization of the 2014 European Championship Shotgun and 2016 European Championship 10m, the Agreement with the Royal Netherlands Shooting Association on the organization of the 2015 European Championship 10m, the Agreement with the Shooting Union of Slovenia on the organization of the 2015 European Championship 25/50/300m, RT/Shotgun and of the 2017 European Championship 10m, the Agreement with the Federazione Italiana Tiro a Volo on the organization of the 2016 European Championship Shotgun.

The third working session finishes at 16.30 and the XXIV ESC Ordinary General Assembly is declared closed.

Petros Kyritsis

Alexander Ratner

## Annex

### LIST OF PARTICIPANTS OF THE ESC XXIV ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### Albanian Shooting Sport Federation

1. P. Poxi
2. MSSP - ALBA

#### Federacio Andorrana de Tir

1. Proxy
2. ESP

#### Armenian Shooting Federation

1. Arthur Teyhannisyen
2. Gagik Shahgeldyan

#### Austrian Shooting Sport Federation

1. Florian Josef Neumayer

#### Austria Shooting Fed. Clay Target and Combined

1. Proxy

#### Shooting Federation of Azerbaijani Republic

1. Emin Jafarov
2. Rasim Rzayev

#### Royal Belgian Shooting Sport Federation

1. BRUEZ

#### Belgian Clay Shooting Federation

1. Dirk Marica

#### Shooting Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina

1. Proxy to Croatia
2. Proxy to Croatia

#### Belarusian Shooting Sport Federation


1. Yury Archipenko

#### Bulgarian Shooting Sport Federation


1. Kamen Shishmanov




### **Bulgarian Trap and Skeet Federation**

1. Anton Stankov
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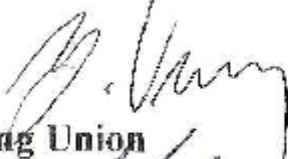
### **Croatian Shooting Federation**

1. Dragutin Vrbek  
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### **Cyprus Shooting Sport Federation**

1. Petros Kyritsis  
2. Demetris Lordos
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### **Czech Shooting Federation**

1. Josef Veverka  
2.
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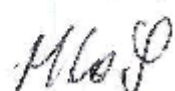
### **Danish Shooting Union**

1. John Hansen  
2. Tommy Sorensen
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### **Royal Spanish Shooting Federation**

1. Rodrigo de MESA RUIZ  
2. Jesús MARTINEZ MARTÍNEZ
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### **Estonian Shooting Sport Federation**

1. Loit Meelis  
2.
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### **Finnish Shooting Sport Federation**

1. Pia Nybäck  
2. Risto Simo Sakari Aarrekiivi
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### **French Shooting Federation**

1. Philippe Crochard  
2.
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### **British Shooting Limited**

1. HAMISH McINNES  
2. DAVID PARISH
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### **Georgian National Shooting Federation**

1. Kakhi Bekauri
  2. Tamaz Imnaishvili
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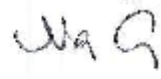
### **German Shooting Sport Federation**

1. Heinz-Helmut Fischer
  2. Jörg Brokamp
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### **Hellenic Shooting Federation**

1. Alexandros Dimakakos
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### **Hungarian Shooting Federation**

1. Gyorgy Nagi
  - 2.
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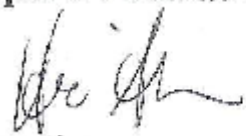
### **National Target Shooting Association of Ireland**

1. Proxy to ICPSA
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### **Irish Clay Pigeon Shooting Association**

1. Cian Meme
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- PROXY


### **Icelandic Shooting Sports Federation**

1. Halldor Axelsson
  2. Gudmundur Kr. Gislason
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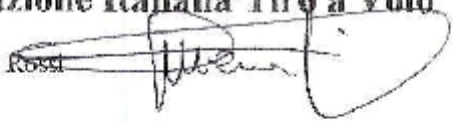
### **Israel Shooting Federation**

1. Yitzhak Yonassi
  2. Yair Davidovich
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### **Italian Shooting Union - Unione Italiana di Tiro a Segno**

1. Ricardo Finoccki
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### **Federazione Italiana Tiro a Volo**

1. Luciano Rossi
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### Norwegian Shooting Association

1. Jan Tore Berg-Knutsen
- 2.



### Polish Sport Shooting Federation

1. Tomasz Kwiecien
2. Jolanta Tolczyk



### Portuguese Shooting Federation - Federacao Portuguesa de Tiro

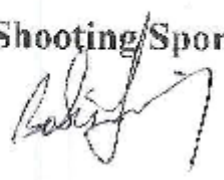
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### Federacao Portuguesa de Tiro con Armas de Caca

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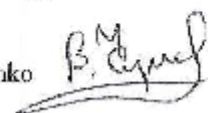
### Romanian Shooting Sport Federation

1. Sorin Babil
2. Maricel Popa



### Russian Shooting Union

1. Anna Leshchikova
2. Vladimir Chumachenko



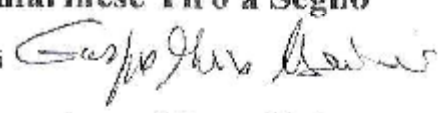
### Shooting Union of Slovenia

1. Janez Slapar
2. Elvira Valant



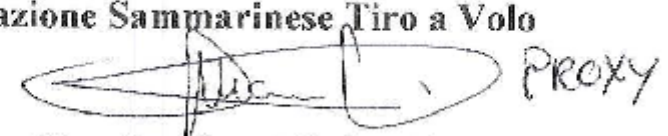
### Federazione Sammarinese Tiro a Segno

1. Giuseppe Mario Muscioni



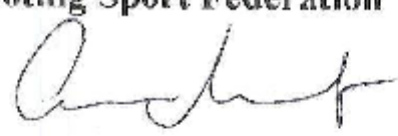
### Federazione Sammarinese Tiro a Volo

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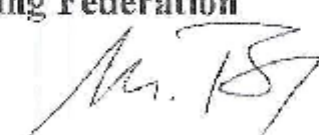
### Serbian Shooting Sport Federation

1. Nenad Petkovic
2. Sinisa Masovic



### Swiss Shooting Federation

1. Marcel Benz



**Latvian Shooting Federation**

1. Vilnis Celmins
- 2.

**Liechtenstein Shooting Association**

- 1.
- 2.

**Lithuanian Shooting Sport Union**

1. Algirdas Antanas Kersulis
- 2.

**Federation Luxembourgeoise de Tir aux Armes Sportives**

1. Marco Hardellini
- 2.

**Shooting Federation of the Republic of Moldova**

1. Gheorghe Lughin
2. Oleg Moldovan

**Macedonian Sport Shooting Federation**

1. Vladimir Pandovski
2. Harita Pandovska

**Malta Shooting Sport Federation**

1. Pierre Montebello
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**Shooting Federation of Montenegro**

1. Dragan Samardzic
2. Savo Milasinovic

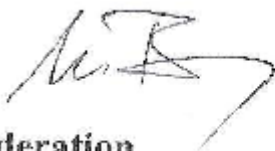
**Monaco Shooting Federation - Federation Monegasque de Tir**

- 1.
- 2.

**Royal Netherlands Shooters Association - - KNSA -**

1. Egbert Ijzerman
2. Sander Duisterhof

2. Andreas Von Kannel



### **Slovak Shooting Federation**

1. Jozef Gonci

2. Jozef Mano



### **Swedish Shooting Sport Federation**

1. Mikael Jansson

2. Claes Johansson



### **Turkish Shooting & Hunting Federation**

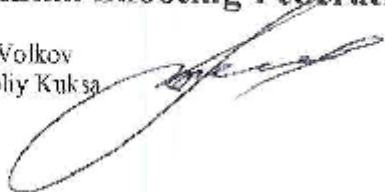
1. Alis Nur Ala

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### **Ukrainian Shooting Federation**

1. Oleg Volkov

2. Anatoliy Kuksa



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