

MINUTES TO THE 164TH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING IN COLOGNE, GERMANY

Date: 17 June 2022
Time: 08:30 – 12:30
Venue: Radisson Blu Hotel Cologne | Bottega

Executive:	Michael Wiederer	President
	Predrag Bošković	First Vice President
	Henrik La Cour	Vice President Finances
	Božidar Djurković	Chairman Competitions Commission
	Pedro Sequeira	Chairman Methods Commission
	Gabriella Horvath	Chairwoman Beach Handball Commission
	Stefan Lövgren	Member
	Francisco V. Blázquez Garcia	Member
	Franjo Bobinac	Member
	Bente Aksnes	Member
	Mark Schober	Chairman Nations Board
	Xavier O’Callaghan	Chairman Professional Handball Board
	Marta Bon	Chairwoman Women’s Handball Board
Office:	Martin Hausleitner	Secretary General
	Bernhard Binder	Chief Finance Officer
	Markus Glaser	Chief Sports Officer
	Andrea Moser	Finance Projects
	Vesna Lazić	PA to the President
	Marsha Brown	Corporate Liaison

1. WELCOME, PROGRAMME AND AGENDA

President Wiederer welcomed the Executive Committee to the 164th meeting held in Cologne for the Men’s EHF FINAL4; the meeting would focus on the upcoming season. The meeting marks the end of the season, but at the same time the start of the season, where decisions have to be made. The success of the DELO Final4 was also mentioned. An overview of the programme and the agenda was presented.

2. MINUTES AND FOLLOW-UP

2.1. Executive Committee 04/2022

With no comment or questions, the minutes from the ordinary meeting in April were adopted.

2.2. Circular Decisions

The Executive Committee took note of the decisions taken unanimously which included:

- 05.05.2022: Awarding of the right to host the Men’s EHF European League Finals 2022
 - 05.05.2022: Awarding of the right to host one of the M18 Championships as a replacing host for UKR
 - 24.05.2022: Adaptation of the European Cup regulations
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Information concerning the I&D partnership was also mentioned; the Executive Committee was kept informed on the developments with the partners via email.

3. BUSINESS REPORT

3.1. Business Activities

With the written overview report, as well as detailed topic-based supplements, at hand, Hausleitner highlighted the current activities on the level of daily business; some topics are mentioned further on in the agenda and are not reflected below:

Masterplan: decisions in relation to three projects have been taken, and numerous other Federations have approached the EHF for projects and cooperation has been initiated. **European Team Sports/UEFA:** the RUS/BLR/UKR situation from the (individual) perspective of the team sports was discussed. The exchange provided a basis for a potential further decision-making process. UEFA approached the EHF to provide an affidavit in support of the European Model of Sport in the case of the Super league against the UEFA in front of the European Court of Justice. **EOS:** the long-term partner (IT/Data) EOS Data GmbH was acquired by the company 'Noxone', a company specialising in automated house technology. **Cooperation Visit:** the leadership from the Handball Federation of Azerbaijan visited Vienna on 8 June; with the inclusion of the various in-house departments, the visiting delegation received comprehensive information and informed the EHF on the future strategies of the AZE Federation. **Respect Your Talent (RYT):** the APP is being released to coincide with the summer YAC events; new ambassadors have been confirmed i.e. Kaspar Hvidt. **'Player of the Year' Project:** in the understanding that the old system of having only the fans vote was questionable, a new system was defined that incorporated all stakeholders and voting phases. The first awarding and highlight event is planned to be organised on the occasion of the Champions League draw event in the upcoming year.

3.2. Legal Management

In addition to the report at hand, and the minutes from the latest meeting of the ECA Council, the claims lodged by RUS are being processed. Furthermore, the Legal Department on behalf of the EHF leadership and, correspondingly, the ECA Council, has prepared motions for approval to be submitted before the upcoming Extraordinary EHF Congress in September. **The Executive Committee took note of the ECC Minutes.**

The motions tabled were relating to the EHF legal regulations, which need the approval of the Executive Committee in order to be implemented. The four motions are referring to the formal admissibility of cases, the obligation to answer preliminary questions, and the competence for taking preliminary measures in cases, as well as the enforcement of ECA cases. **The Executive Committee approved the four motions for further implementation in the legal regulations.**

3.3. European Anti-Doping Unit

The report was submitted prior to the meeting, and with no additional comment, the Executive Committee acknowledged the report.

3.4. Office and Personnel EHF

Referencing the report at hand, Hausleitner reiterated the positions being vacated and the search for new associates in different internal departments; two persons were recently

engaged in the national teams and beach handball units. The part-time contract of Andrea Moser (Finance Special Projects) was extended until 2023. Helmut Höritsch began the 'Handball Inventory' assignment; this will be presented in September at the Conference of Presidents. The staffing structures of the Business Development & Marketing and Sport & Game Services are currently being redefined. Hausleitner also mentioned the recent Management Board external seminar.

3.5. European Handball House

In addition to the written report submitted to the Executive Committee prior to the meeting, Wiederer emphasised that due to the ongoing nature of the project, regular updates were necessary as the topic related not only to financial matters, but also brings new elements that have to be dealt with on the level of daily business. Continuing, Hausleitner reported on the status of the planning and mentioned the submission of the final plans to the authorities in order to start the construction, as well as the approach towards the authorities for financial support. Currently a possible alternative cooling/heating system is evaluated, which will cause additional costs, but costs are going to be amortized within 10 years and the system meets future sustainability standards. Project meetings take place on a bi-weekly basis.

Binder updated the Executive Committee on the status of the contracts (Landholding and Construction); it is expected that the contracts will be signed in late June/beginning July. All the details have been presented and no major changes are foreseen; the project remains within the assigned budget. It is expected that construction will begin in the first quarter of 2023 and finalised in the second quarter of 2024. Due to the complexity of the timeline, it was underlined that all reports are intermediate; developments in the current market situation continue to be observed and if the situation changes and conclusions have to be taken, the Executive Committee will be contacted accordingly.

4. FINANCE DELEGATION 06/2022

4.1. Report

The Finance Delegation treated a number of items within the sphere of actual finance questions, full details can be found in the report of the Finance Delegation. A summary of the topics follows:

EHF EUROS: the status of injury compensation claims, and the final accounting (HUN/SVK) was delivered; open questions regarding finances to be clarified with HUN. Distribution of payments to the participants of the Women's EHF EURO 2022 SMM was discussed. The matter of ticketing related issues in connection with the Men's EHF EURO 2024 GER was also dealt with.

EHF EURO Qualifiers: the draft status of the final accounting for the Women's EHF EURO 2022 Qualifiers was presented (including higher reward for federations and bonus payments) and will be settled within the next weeks. The distribution of the Referee and Delegate costs arising from the Men's WCh Qualification Europe has been settled.

YAC Events: clarification on third-party liabilities from 2023 onwards. **Transfers:** revision of fees to bring in line with the current CHF-EUR exchange rate according to the respective decision. **Federation Accounts:** overview presented; some NFs asked to reduce balances held with the EHF. **EHFM:** information to the ongoing tax audit was provided and the shared

service agreement (EHF-EHFM) was discussed. **Compensation:** the evaluation of the Referee and Delegate fees was concluded, and due to the increase in 2020, the fees need not to be adapted. **Donation Floor:** the request of ISR was approved. **Investments:** fixed-term deposits and the purchase of short-term (treasury) bonds was agreed.

European Handball House: see AP3.5. **Information about contacts to external investors:** it was mentioned that the organisation had contact with investment companies; private equity firms are making approaches towards sports in order to utilise the market opportunities in the best way. Such entities are not only dealing with governing bodies, but also individual clubs, leagues, and federations. The EHF was contacted twice by UK and US based firms but underlined that a strategic decision-making process was not necessary at this time.

EHF EURO Financial Distribution: Wiederer briefly returned to the Women's EHF EURO; during the FD meeting, the picture of the financial distribution was presented. He reiterated the process of how the income is distributed according to the key (based on the Congress decision), and the expanded on the consequences for the different areas of which is the participating teams. In the current media and marketing agreement, the EHF EUROS are consolidated into an overall contract. The proposal tabled at the Congress for an equal (50:50) split was dismissed as an agreement was already in place and stated obligations have to be fulfilled. Moreover, the current distribution (60:40) is distributed within a transparent system and according to the income realities. Closing the report, he stated that the financial information was reported, is part of the budget, and needs to be visible.

4.2. Finance Topics

Transfer fees were adapted in accordance with the exchange rate (CHF-EUR) as in previous years. **The Executive Committee confirmed the adaptation.**

The Finance Delegation also discussed the potential consequences of cost increases due to the rising inflation rates. It is recommended that an adaptation of entry fees and similar income take place and be reflected in the budget accordingly. Thus, the corresponding motion will be submitted to the Extraordinary EHF Congress in September.

Additionally, the final accounting for the business year 2021, including the external statutory audit and the examination by the EHF Comptrollers were executed in accordance with the scheduled. With the financial year completed, the presentation will be submitted to the Ordinary EHF Congress in 2023 for approval.

For the sake of completeness, the audit certificates, balance sheet, the result compared to budget, the Comptrollers Report, and the Social Fund overview were submitted to the Executive Committee prior to the meeting.

4.3. Budget 2022 – Update

The following minor remarks given in connection to the Budget 2022 were imparted to the Executive Committee:

Revenues: due to the higher-than-expected income from the Men's EHF EURO 2022 HUN/SVK, the revenues lie at EUR 201k above the last forecast although final accounting with HUN is not yet settled.

Expenses: the expenses lie at EUR 262k above the last forecast, this is due to an expenditure increase in the areas of Office and Infrastructure (EUR 76k), Commission Activities (EUR 20k (MC), EUR 8k (BC)), Development (EUR 37k (CRM), EUR45k (RYT Men)), Competitions (EUR 76k), and additional expenses in line with the forecast.

Thus, with the first half of the year completed, this results in a decrease in overall profit by approx. EUR 60k to EUR 1.39m. The two-years budget will still deliver altogether a profit of approx. EUR 143k. Closing the intermediate report, it was noted that though additional costs are arising, the organisation continues to control and be prudent in that respect.

4.4. Timetable Finances 2022/2023

The final accounting process of EHF Marketing GmbH will commence in mid-Summer and will conclude with the Comptrollers' Council in mid-October.

Closing his report, Vice President Finances, Henrik La Cour, reiterated the confidence in the financial activities of the EHF and its undertakings and highlighted the transparency of the organisation in the difficult times.

First Vice President, Predrag Bošković, assumed the Chairmanship of the meeting.

5. TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS - REPORT AND MOTIONS

5.1. Competitions Commission

Club Competitions: all matches were played according to schedule and the season will be concluded with the Final4 in Cologne. The finals in the various competitions were played; the Women's European Cup (2nd Leg) set a new record for women's handball in Spain with 7200 spectators. The Men's European Cup Naerbo (NOR) played out in front of more than 5000 spectators. The Women's European League Finals was concluded without challenges; the coordination with the organiser, Viborg HK, was very positive; and despite the organisational challenges (short period left to organise – reconsideration of awarding procedure required), the Men's European League Finals in Lisbon also concluded successfully in front of 5000 spectators. Finally the Women's CL Final4 in Budapest went very well and set new records for women's handball with 14.800 spectators at the semi-finals and 15.400 spectators on the final day.

Men's and Women's National Team Competitions – Qualifications: the Men's EHF EURO 2024 Qualifiers will commence in October; the registration for the Women's IHF World Handball Championship – Qualification Europe is concluded.

National Team Competitions – YAC Final Tournaments: leading into the final phase of preparation for all 2022 events, there are many issues to coordinate. All tournaments will be played according to the updated (as of 1 July 2022) IHF Rules of the Game. The M18 Championship, originally assigned to UKR will now take place in Craiova (ROU) due to the initiative of the new leadership in the ROU Federation. The M20 EURO in POR will be televised in its entirety and offered on the international market; this is the best TV distribution result of a YAC event in the history thereof.

Refereeing: The National Heads of Refereeing Convention was held in Vienna on 20/21 May with more than 40 Federations being present. The content covered new rules, officiating structures, referee recruitment, integrity, and tools. The IHF PRC Chairman was also present and presented topics e.g. the new rules, and this offered the chance to strengthen the IHF/EHF cooperation especially on an operative level.

The 12 referee (9 female and 3 male) pairs for the Women's EHF EURO 2022 SMM in November were announced. The EHF EURO Kick-Off for Referees and Delegates (in presence) is scheduled for the end of August in Vienna and will take place in the fringes of the meeting of the Technical Commissions and the Technical Refereeing Committee.

In the brief ensuing discussion, President Wiederer mentioned that the officiating activity in Europe is important, and the cooperation with the IHF on this level has improved. Due to the lack of international referees, the IHF depends on the continental federations to provide referees, who in turn rely on the national federations and their work. Based on the limitations of the past 24 Months (pandemic), the Conference was important to reignite cooperation with the National Federations.

CSO Glaser provided additional information on young referee and candidate numbers included new accredited, YRP, candidates and courses (and allocated events), as well as age and gender demography. During this summer 60 male and 30 female couples will take part in various courses and competitions to reach the status of EHF Referees.

5.2. Methods Commission

Methods & Coaching

With a detailed report at hand, MC Chairman Pedro Sequeira highlighted the following topics:

YAC Analyses: will now be conducted on the basis of video material; responsables will be nominated by the MC. A detailed concept as well as a proposal for the compensation will be provided by the office.

Kinexon / University Alicante: a common standard of how scientific requests in regard to the KINEXON data is to be formulated.

Manuals: Experts, selected by the MC, will prepare manuals on nutrition, injury prevention, and mental coaching. Financial compensation has been clarified internally.

Education & Training: the 2022 EHF Master Coach Course (module 2) will take place from 11 to 16 July 2022 in Porto (POR). The course topics are defined based on the EHF Master Coach course curriculum. Additional activities webinars (topics: grassroots, etc.) will be organised in July 2022. Furthermore, a meeting was held internally regarding technical issues and media related communication.

Youth, School & Non-competitive sports:

“Circle of a handball life”: the procedure and budget for the project were clarified, and experts have been contacted accordingly. A presentation will be given on the occasion of the EHF Conference of Presidents in September.

Kindergarten handball manual: content for the manual has been secured and financial compensation for the authors was clarified. The project will be finalised by the end of August.

Young coaches' workshops: a proposal for the content was provided to the nominated responsables.

2022 World & European Wheelchair Handball Championship (POR): The IHF has requested financial details of POR in order to decide on the organisation of the World Championship parallel to the European Championship. Therefore, no further organisational steps (site-visit, contract, etc.) were undertaken. An IHF Four-a-Side Wheelchair Handball World Championship will be organised in Egypt from 18 – 25 September 2022. The participation of two European teams is foreseen by the IHF (registration fee: USD 8000 per team, participation fee: USD 140 per person per day).

EHF Wheelchair referees and delegates: 9 out of 11 referee candidates passed the test; three persons did not attend. All six delegate candidates passed the test; one person did not attend.

MC Chairman Sequeira voiced his concerns (team reduction – six teams were originally agreed) surrounding the planned wheelchair handball events; he reiterated the timeline of project and communication between the IHF and EHF, but underlined that prior to, and following, the information being received about the tournament in Egypt, no meeting of the working group took place; therefore, this decision was taken directly by the IHF Executive. It was mentioned that the IHF is currently in communication with the Paralympic Committee. In closing, Sequeira reiterated his trepidation about the potential impact of the timeline, the process, and the financial support, but underlined that the EHF team would continue to work in the best interest of the events in accordance with the (EHF EXEC) decisions taken.

EHF Experts' Group (aka EHF Lecturers)

The EHF Experts' Group was informed on their status as well on the EHF Experts' Manual. The members are asked to sign a code of conduct as well as the EHF Expert agreement in order to confirm their status. An EHF Expert' Webinar will be organised in October 2022.

2022 Club / Federation Management Seminar

Due to both, organisational matters as well as a new approach foreseen the webinar was cancelled. The new strategy will be discussed in the next MC meeting.

EOC EU Office Partner's Meeting

The EHF participated in the annual partner's meeting of the EOC EU Office being informed about different ongoing changes in the policy fields of European Sports as well as different funding projects under the framework of the ERASMUS+ project.

5.3. Beach Handball Commission

The BC report was submitted to the Executive Committee prior to the meeting, and Chairwoman Horvath gave a brief verbal report to highlight specific activities.

EHF Beach Handball Education Courses 2022: on the fringes of the Camelot Beach Handball Tournament in Tilburg (NED) in late May, courses for Referees, Delegates and

Coaches were organised; 10 Referee pairs, 10 Delegates and 22 Coaches successfully completed the courses.

EHF ebt Finals 2022: the event was successfully completed in Isola delle Femmine, Palermo (ITA) from 9 to 12 June 2022. Challenges were successfully resolved through positive collaboration with the OC. The number of the participating teams is a topic for the future.

EHF YAC16 Beach Handball EURO 2022 & Championships: the event will take place in Prague from 7 to 10 July 2022 and serves as qualification to the EHF Beach Handball EURO 2023. The preparations are proceeding according to the given timeline.

EHF Beach Handball EURO 2023: the event will take place in Nazaré (POR) from 23 to 28 May 2023. The first online workshop will be held in the coming weeks and the site visit will take place in July. The event serves as a qualification to the World Games that will take place in Bali (IDN).

EHF YAC17 Beach Handball EURO 2023: the event will take place in Izmir (TUR) from 29 June to 2 July 2023; the first online workshop will be held in July and the site visit will follow.

EHF Champions Cup 2022: the event will take place in Porto Santo, Madeira (POR) from 20 to 23 October 2022; the first online workshop will be held in July and the site visit will follow.

In the ensuing short discussion, it was mentioned that, still, there was no clear overall schedule or timetable for international beach handball events. **The Executive Committee granted a mandate to approach the IHF to facilitate the coordination of a long-term beach handball calendar (IHF & continents) for a better orientation of all parties involved.**

The next meetings of the Technical Commission will take place in August, and an interim report from the CC, MC, and BC can be given at the Extraordinary Congress in September in Luxembourg.

6. COMPETITIONS

6.1. Organization of Events

With the detailed report at hand that provides insight into the many events in the upcoming years, Hausleitner elaborated on the following activities:

Men's EHF EURO 2022 HUN/SVK: The final accounting with SVK is concluded, and the work with HUN is in the final phase.

2022 YAC Summer Events: no special report; preparations are ongoing.

Women's EHF EURO 2022 SMM: entering the final phase of preparations, two meetings took place at the highest level; the OC's are working on securing financing from the respective authorities and ensuring the event environment. The alternative timeline of the event (November) falls ahead of the football World Cup; work on promotional activities such as the presentation of the event anthem and other campaigns to assist the process of ticket sales are ongoing.

Within the framework of the event, the ‘Women’s Handball Conference’ will take place with the objective of encouraging the Member Federations to prepare and get ready to be part of the enlarged EHF EUROs in the future with 24 teams. The EHF remains optimistic to convince the National Federations to present their National Teams in 2024.

Furthermore, the EHF has also developed an adapted approach to the Hygiene Concept with a new set-up following consultation with Dr Eder, and together with the playing schedule, motions were submitted to the Executive Committee to define the measures aimed at safeguarding the rundown of the event, see EHF EURO 2022 – Motion I and Motion II.

Men’s EHF EURO 2024 GER: the event will take place within the biggest environment and will be, to date, the largest (in terms of venues) Men’s EHF EURO ever, and this does provide additional challenges. Site inspections have taken place. Ticket sales for the event have attained a very promising start with an average of some hundred tickets being sold daily, and full arenas are expected. The preparations are ongoing e.g. technical services are in development, promotional activities are prepared, and the organisational structure was established at an early stage.

Women’s EHF EURO 2024 HSA: the dates for the draw events, EURO Qualifiers, and Final Tournament have been scheduled.

Men’s/Women’s EHF EURO 2026 & 2028: no special report

EHF EURO 2030 & 2032: the timeline for awarding the next events is currently under evaluation; the future event environments have to be safeguarded. Due to the current situation, major infrastructure projects (arenas) have been postponed. Therefore, the situation will continue to be monitored and further information will follow when available.

EHF EURO 2022 | Motion I | Hygiene Measures: For the upcoming Women’s EHF EURO 2022 SMM, the EHF EURO events department moves to implement basic Hygiene Measure as written in the motion. A summary of the discussion and the recommendations (i.e., bi-daily testing) was provided by Secretary General Hausleitner; it was underlined that the Hygiene Concept would be adapted further should the situation change. **The motion was approved.**

EHF EUROs | Motion II | Match Schedule: For the upcoming Women’s EHF EURO 2022 SMM, the EHF EURO events department moves to implement the originally used match schedule as presented (rundown of Main Round match days). A summary was provided by Secretary General Hausleitner, and it was mentioned that the event is the last in a 16-team format, thus, the schedule is ‘basic’, and it will be not optimal. However, with the event being hosted in three countries logistic challenges (e.g. movement of officials and teams) are to be expected in the given situation; it is mentioned that charter flights will be used between PR Podgorica and MR Skopje respectively then for the travel to the Final Weekend. **The match schedule was adopted.**

6.2. Club Competitions 2021/2022 – Report

With the final event of the season in progress (MCL F4), no open issues remained, and the event was running according to schedule, and if continued, the season will be officially

concluded on Sunday. It was noted that it was a very successful season taking into consideration the various challenges.

6.3. Club Competitions 2022/2023 – Preview/Motions

CSO Glaser provided an overview to the registration procedure for the season 2022/2023 and noted that the process for the Women’s EHF Champions League is completed, with that of the men’s competitions (Champions League, European League, and European Cup) to follow shortly to close. Glaser also provided a timeline (evaluation group, Executive Committee decision, publication) leading to the Season Opening Draw on 1 July in Vienna.

The Executive Committee reflected upon, and extensively discussed, the current circumstances concerning the upcoming season and the impact upon the competitions as well as on club teams from Ukraine and Russia, Belarus. This also included a reiteration of decisions taken previously, the status within other team sport federations, and the legal aspects. It was determined that no further decision was to be taken, and the situation would continue to be monitored, and the fragility and complexity of the matter was underlined. Moreover, it was agreed that should a proposal be tabled, and a decision be required in the interim, the Executive Committee would be called to a video conference.

The case of HC Vardar 1961 (MKD) was evaluated and discussed. A comprehensive and detailed report of the complete situation that has spanned two years was given, which included the communications between the Club (leadership/general management) and the EHF (leadership/CSO) several promises, and timelines were not kept and the matter of payments to players is still not resolved. Following the reiteration, the Executive Committee concurred that the case had run its course, and the Club HC Vardar 1961 could not be admitted to the 2022/23 European Cup season in order to secure the integrity of the competition. The Club will be informed officially directly after the meeting of the Executive Committee, and the information will be subsequently published on the Home of Handball.

6.4. National Team Competitions – Report/motions

Hausleitner reiterated the situation that led to numerous discussions at various levels, internally and with partners (Federations, Stakeholders, Expert Group) within the organisation and the recommendation of enlarging the YAC EURO events to 24 teams and amending the qualification system that would see the inclusion of national teams from emerging nations. The motion was crafted with the input of the Member Federations; with amended financial support for the host nations and participating teams sanctioned, the changes to the YAC events is to be implemented as soon as possible. The full system is to be presented at the Conference of Presidents in September.

CC Motion | Younger age Category Events in the Future: The EHF Competitions Department hereby moves to implement a new system for the YAC EURO and Championship Events, as written in the motion submitted. This includes the enlargement of the EURO to 24 teams, and an improved qualification system. **The motion was approved.**

7. EHF Marketing

The Executive Committee was informed that EHF Marketing GmbH fulfilled its obligations towards the club system and the European Handball Federation; the achievement was

supported through the successful organisation and execution of the Final4 events; it was also mentioned that for the 2023 event, approximately 2500 tickets are already sold.

It was mentioned that the situation with the media and marketing partner was to change upon a respective approval after coordination with the club system. The exploitation of marketing rights is shared between I&D and the EHF, respectively the clubs taking part in the international competitions. Therefore, EHF is working on establishing a network for future sales; an agreement with the clubs is in place as they will assume part of the responsibility for marketing sales for the next season and in a first step. Looking to the 2022/23 season, as an organisation, EHF remains stable, and in view of the future, it will continue to work on developing its contacts and network, in order to fulfil its structural responsibilities.

8. INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

8.1. International Handball Federation

The relationship between the organisations is well maintained; the EHF will approach the International Handball Federation with correlated open topics such as Wheelchair Handball (see AP 5.2.), international long-term beach handball calendar (see AP 5.3.), as well as the consequences for player contracts (UKR/RUS/BLR) as of 1 July 2022. The next IHF Council meeting is scheduled for 7 October 2022.

8.2. Other Partners/Contracts

Please see agenda point 3.1.; the information sent to the EHF from the EOC EU Office was also mentioned and will continue to be distributed.

9. 2022 EVENTS – PREVIEW

9.1. 16th EHF Conference of Presidents

9.1.1. Organisation

9.1.2. Content

The organisation for the event in September in Luxembourg is ongoing; the first information to the Member Federations was distributed; concerning the competitions, there is to be a comprehensive exchange of information surrounding the future EHF EUROs, the YAC events in the future, and other presentations.

9.2. 15th Extraordinary EHF Congress

9.2.1. Rundown

9.2.2. Motions

In a previous meeting, the Executive Committee agreed to the enlargement of the Conference of Presidents to include an Extraordinary EHF Congress, which will proceed in the standard way and with the correct formalities. The purpose of the Conference is to present various motions, as listed in the attachment presented to the Executive Committee prior to the meeting. The motions are submitted after taking conclusions of internal discussions and as a consequence of considerations on the level of the legal bodies, and in particular the latest meeting of ECA. A brief description and reasoning of the motions were also provided during the meeting. There are motions relating to the EHF Statutes such as the introduction of an evaluation Group for Elections, the full implementation of English as the official EHF language, the assignment of responsibilities, and the amendment of topic ‘non-discrimination’. In a second part (and not related to legal business), the finance topic will be tabled and a motion relating to the ECA Statutes concerning the ECA Competence and

Admissibility of ECA Proceedings, will also be tabled. **The Executive Committee took note of the information, confirmed the motions that will now be submitted to be heard at the Extraordinary EHF Congress.**

10. VARIOUS

The Executive Committee was informed on the approach of the Turkish Handball Federation concerning the official change (at State level by the United Nations) of the name from Turkey to Türkiye. **The Executive Committee took note of the information and moved to adapt the name, after consultation with the Federation regarding details, within the organisation accordingly.**

The nomination list for the 2022 summer events was updated and presented; **the Executive Committee took note of the information.**

The brochure 'Officiating Technology' clarifying points of the procedures was introduced, and a copy distributed, to the Executive Committee, and to lend to the information, CSO Glaser reiterated pertinent points from the EHF European League Final Match between SL Benfica and SC Magdeburg. **The document was acknowledged by the members and will be sent to the National Federations for their work.**

Concluding the agenda, President Wiederer thanked the participants for their contribution to the various topics and reiterated the schedule of the afternoon. The meeting was officially closed.

Vienna, 22 June 2022

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