

## 2<sup>nd</sup> MC Meeting 2021 Minutes

### Venue and date:

Vienna / AUT	27 August 2021	10.00 – 18.30 hrs.
	28 August 2021	09.00 – 12.30 hrs.

### Participants:

MC	Pedro Sequeira (POR) - Chairman Monique Tijsterman (NED) - Methods & Coaching Patrick Luig (GER) - Education & Training Lidija Bojic-Cacic (CRO) – Youth, School and Non-competitive sport Carmen Manchado (ESP) - Development  Marina Gillard (RUS) - IHF Medical Comm. / Member Europe (invited)
EHF Office	Helmut Höritsch Doru Simion Beata Kozłowska Nicole Rabenseifner Vincent Schweiger

### Agenda:

#### 1. Welcome / Agenda

Pedro Sequeira welcomes all participants to the 2<sup>nd</sup> MC meeting 2021, the first regular meeting of the newly elected MC members.

He outlines his wish to have an open approach to all MC related topics by all MC members despite their elected field of responsibility.

#### 2. MC Minutes and other minutes (MC related topics)

The minutes are approved without any comments.

- EXEC meeting 10/11 June 2021:

Marina Gillard was confirmed as Member Europe within the IHF Medical Commission.

#### 3. Methods & Coaching

3.1. YAC Analyses 21 – W19 EURO SLO (08-18 July 2021, W19 Championships ITA and MKD (10 – 18 July 2021), W17 EURO MNE (05 – 15 August 2021), W17 Championships GEO and LTU (06 – 15 August 2021), M19 EURO CRO (12-22 August 2021), M19 Championship MKD (09-15 August 2021), M19 Championships BUL and LAT (16 – 22 August 2021)

The deadline for providing the qualitative analysis is 20 September 2021. So far, the analysis of the W19 Championships ITA was submitted and will be published on the EHF website accordingly.

In the future a basic analysis (trend analysis) should be available and distributed via the EHF newsletter shortly after the event. Furthermore, a technical e-report of all events shall be produced.

In order to produce these documents, it is necessary to adapt the Sport Radar parameters for future events.

Monique Tijsterman will adapt the guidelines for qualitative analysis and the technical e-report also considering the different target groups (coaches, fans, teachers, players, etc.). The guidelines are meant to apply for analyses of all events not distinguishing senior and YAC competitions.

### 3.2. YAC Injury Analysis 21

The injury reports of the W19 EURO SLO and the M19 EURO CRO were received. M. Gillard will prepare an overview after receiving the injury reports of the W17 EURO MNE. The MC wants to further improve the injury analysis by implementing a long-term analysis connecting the data of the YAC injury analysis with the injury reports from the Senior events.

### 3.3. Men's EHF EURO 2022 / HUN & SVK – Qualitative Analysis

Monique Tijsterman will adapt the current guidelines which are meant to apply for senior as well as YAC competitions. The EURO 2022 will be the first event where the new guidelines shall be put into practice. The MC confirms M. Tijsterman as the responsible person for the qualitative analysis of the Men's EHF EURO 2022.

### 3.4. Analyses / Kinexon Data 2022 – EHF EURO HUN & SVK

For the EURO 2022 it is foreseen that the teams should receive the interpreted data via the EHFfamily on the day after the game at the latest. The Methods Commission aims to educate the team officials regarding the proper interpretation of the position data received. A first information shall be given on the occasion of the Heads of Delegation Conference on 05 October 2021. A respective education manual and program should be implemented between the Heads of Delegation Conference and the start of the EURO.

### 3.5. Analyses / Kinexon Data – in the future

The MC recommends continuing the cooperation with University Alicante and Kinexon regarding the scientific usage of the data collected. Pedro Sequeira underlined that the current focus has to be put on the further development and improvement of the analysis of physical parameters of players and referees.

## 4. Education and Training

### 4.1. RINCK Convention- Signatories/ Non-Signatories status (GEO, UKR)

GEO: After checking the provided documents GEO will be accepted as signatory of the EHF RINCK Convention (level 3). A suitable date for the signing procedure will be defined. A mentoring programme supporting their further development in coaching education shall be established. The details will be discussed with the EHF RC Panel and the outcome will be communicated to GEO accordingly.

UKR: The requested documents have not been provided so far.

A meeting of the non-signatories shall be organized in order to learn about their needs to fulfil the requirements to become a signatory member (e.g. on the occasion of the EHF EO Congress if possible).

### 4.2. National Master Coach Courses – status

A detailed overview on the National Master Coach Courses was provided.

#### 4.3. EHF RINCK Convention Panel –2021 preview

The EHF RINCK Convention Panel provided – as requested by the EHF MC- their input on the topics Master Coach Courses, Fast Lane, EHF Licensing and IHF A License.

A transition period regarding new guidelines for National Master Coach Courses (minimum requirements) and theses will be established. Until August 2022 the new guidelines should be tested and afterwards realized by the EHF RINCK Convention signatories.

A letter will be sent to the members of the EHF RINCK Conventional Panel thanking them for their contribution. It is planned to seek for the Panel's advice regarding the re-evaluation of the EHF RINCK Convention until the end of 2021. Furthermore, the Panel will constantly receive updated documents concerning the RINCK Convention to have a proper basis for evaluation.

#### 4.4. 2020 EHF EUROS / 2020/21 EHF CL coaches' licensing (mandatory pro-license) – further procedure

Four clubs playing in the CL do not have a coach with the required PRO-licence: Coaches of THW Kiel and Telekom Veszprem are already participating in the running National Master Coach Courses and are therefore approved for the current season. Nevertheless, a valid PRO Licence document has to be submitted to the EHF immediately after the end of the courses and before the end of the season.

Brest Bretagne and IK Sävehof must register a coach with the requested coaching level asap (mandatory before the competition starts), otherwise the legal procedure will apply as foreseen in the regulations of the competition.

The national teams participating in the Men's EURO 2022 have to follow the rules as defined in the regulations. A licensed coach has to be registered when submitting the Official Squad List (deadline 02 December 2021).

#### 4.5. 2022 EHF Master Coach Course module 1 – preview

The first module of the 2022 EHF Master Coach Course will be organized during the preliminary round of the EHF Men's EURO 2022. Patrick Luig will prepare the programme based on a proposal by the EHF Office until 10 September 2021.

The third module will be organized in Slovenia on the occasion of the EHF Women's EURO 2022. A host needs to be defined for the 2<sup>nd</sup> module (e.g. during a 2022 YAC event).

### **5. Youth, School, and Non-competitive sports**

#### 5.1. EHF Grassroot Growth (EHF Master Plan) / 2021 Activities

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions no new EHF grassroot projects have been initiated or started so far.

The Wrocław Handball Cup, a tournament played in Poland under the auspices of the EHF, was a great success. 80 teams from 10 countries participated. The ambassadors, Karol Bielecki and Sławomir Szmaj were present at the opening ceremony. The organizers plan to organize the event every year and are interested in further cooperation with the EHF in the future. The details will be discussed.

Video meetings should be held with the responsible persons for grassroots handball in order to learn about national programmes and needs.

Priorities for EHF projects based on the EHF Grassroot Growth Master Plan provided earlier shall be defined.

## 5.2. Young Coaches Workshops – evaluation and further procedure

Although the EHF Young Coaches Workshops were successful and appreciated by the participants, the MC aims to reach a wider range of young coaches. Therefore, instead of organizing a yearly EHF Young Coaches Workshop, all Member Federations will be informed on the basic concept of the workshop (manual) and the possibility to request respective EHF Lecturers for national Young Coaches Workshops via the EHF development programmes.

## 5.3. EU Week of Sport (EWOS) – further procedure

The EU Week of Sport will be organized in the period 23 – 30 September 2021. Due to the Covid-19 restrictions the event will be mostly promoted via social media. A respective information will be sent to the Member Federations until 7 September.

## 5.4. Wheelchair Handball

### 5.4.1. European Wheelchair Handball Championship 2022

Unfortunately, no organizer was ready to host the World and European Wheelchair Handball Championship in 2021 (postponed from 2020) given the current Covid-19 restrictions. Therefore, this event was cancelled, with the aim to focus on the 2022 championship instead.

Based on a decision by the IHF council the IHF is interested in hosting a common event in 2022 (under the same conditions as agreed upon earlier) – see motions to the EXEC.

The calling for organizers was prepared and will be published after the confirmation of the EXEC.

### 5.4.2. EHF Wheelchair Handball Referees & Delegates

Due to both, the currently small number of qualified candidates and the need for experienced wheelchair handball referees and delegates in view of the upcoming World and European Wheelchair Handball Championship, the MC recommends accepting candidates not following the age limit for indoor referees and delegates. After a transition period an age limit shall be introduced for EHF Wheelchair Handball Referees & Delegates as well (see motion to the EXEC).

The e-learning for EHF Wheelchair Handball Referees & Delegates will be available for all candidates in autumn 2021.

In general, the possibilities of referees in wheelchairs will be evaluated for future wheelchair handball events.

## 5.5. Handball Coaching App

A short concept for the Handball Coaching App was introduced to the MC. The IT department is currently analyzing a system (to be used for a different project), which could be adapted for the Handball Coaching App as well.

The MC confirms the wish to create the Handball Coaching App. As a next step P. Sequeira will define the main topics of the app in cooperation with the EHF Office by end of October.

## **6. Development**

### **6.1. SMART programmes**

The SMART programme with MDA was signed on the occasion of the EHF congress (24 April 2021) and will start in October 2021.

The start of the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the SMART programme with SCO was postponed due to Covid-19 restrictions.

A new request was received by ALB which was guided by EHF Lecturer Carlos Garcia as consultant. The MC basically supports the content and programme of the new request. However, the budget needs to be adapted in order to be presented to the EHF EXEC (see motion to the EXEC).

### **6.2. Short term support**

16 Member Federations were supported with either material or EHF Lecturer nominations until now.

### **6.3. Development questionnaire**

A proposal for an overall questionnaire for the Member Federations as well as a concept for renewed development programmes (see agenda point 15.) were provided to the MC members.

The proposed questionnaire will be sent to the Member Federations in autumn / winter 2021.

Due to the fact that the needs of the Member Federations have changed over the years (structural support within the federation e.g. staff, coaching education; fan and player recruitment; (social) media appearance; etc. vs. ball supply) the EHF development programmes need to be adapted accordingly (tailor-made) and guided by EHF counsellors instructing the respective member federations in their field of expertise.

Carmen Manchado outlines that the field of development is not restricted to the EHF Development programmes but can be offered in many other areas as coaches' education, grassroots development, structural development, etc.

## **7. TD/CAN Report**

Helmut Höritsch shortly reports on the meeting of the EHF Technical Delegation and EHF CAN Advisory Board dated 26 August 2021. The need of a new approach to the EHF Lecturers list was discussed.

For details see the respective minutes.

## **8. Lecturers / Specialists / Scientific Network / RC Panel**

### **8.1. EHF Lecturers list**

The EHF Lecturer system shall be revised. Members of the EHF Lecturer list shall have dedicated fields of expertise. It must be clear that the "EHF Lecturer" is not an honorary title but a working title and function. The tasks and requirement for becoming and being an EHF Lecturer (including a proper application system and profile) must be clearly defined.

A respective manual and lecturer profile will be prepared by P. Sequeira in cooperation with the EHF Office. The EHF Lecturers list and Scientific Network Member list will therefore be revised after these guidelines were defined. However, it should still be possible to invite external experts to hold lectures.

## 8.2. Nominations

POL	01 February 2021	National MC - module 1	online	Klaus Feldmann
Online	01-06 February 2021	EHF MC Course – module 3	Online	Rolf Brack, Bent Dahl, Mattias Andersson, Michael Neuhaus, Marko Sibila
POR	11-14 March 21	Pro License Renewal Course	online	Juan Anton-Garcia
AUT	31 March 21	"Handball goes Outdoor" Webinar	online	Alex Gehrler
POL	23-25 April 2021	National MC - module 2	Cetniewo	Rolf Brack
CRO	April - May 21	National MC - module 2	online	Marko Sibila
NED	12-13 June 21	EHF PRO License Renewal Course	online	Marta Bon
POL	18-20 June 21	Top Coaches and License Renewal	online	Alex Acsinte
CZE	19/20 June 21	EHF PRO License Renewal Course	online	Bojana Jelcic
SRB	22-27 June 21	National MC - module 2 (online)	online	Klaus Feldmann
POL	30. June - 4 July 21	National MC - module 3	online	Zoltan Marczinka
POL	02-04. July 21	Pro License Renewal Course (NMC 3)	Szczyrk	Zoltan Marczinka
GRE	04-07 July 21	National MC Course - module 4	online	Wolfgang Pollany
ROU	21/22 July 21	National Coaching Course (online)	online	Marko Sibila
SLO	21/22 August 21	Slovenian Nat. HB coaches' symposium	Rogla	Bent Dahl
MKD	28/29 August	National Coaching Seminar	Skopje	Marta Bon
ROU	01/02 September 21	YAC team's coaches	online	Monique Tijsterman
POR	10-12 Sept. 21	EHF PRO License Renewal Course	Lisbon	Mats Olsson

The MC would like to underline that even with the pandemic restrictions many countries continued with different education events on-line.

## 9. “Home of Handball” / activities-Website

Vincent Schweiger introduces a new concept for the activities-website providing information to different target groups (e.g. players, coaches, officials, managers, lecturers, volunteers, etc.).

The website should be divided in 4 main areas:

- Basic Handball information (what is handball, rules, how to play, roles, game variations, etc.)
- Information by target group (“I’m a ...player, coach, official, manager, lecturer, volunteer, etc.)
- EHF initiatives (wheelchair handball, handball for players with learning disabilities, development programmes, RINCK Convention, education programmes, etc.)
- EHF Handball library (collection of handball literature, articles, etc.)

The technical realization and timeframe are currently being analysed in cooperation with the IT department.

The MC members support the idea to restructure the website activities.eurohandball.com to the user needs and outline the importance of a fast and proper realization.

## **10. 2021 EHF Scientific Conference**

The 2021 EHF Scientific Conference will be organized as a video conference (pre-recorded presentations) on 04/05 November 2021. The second announcement including the registration link was published on 17 August 2021. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is the 17 September 2021 and for articles + presentations on 15 October 2021.

## **11. Introduction EHF Master Plan / MC related “players”**

With reference to the presentation of the EHF Master Plan by JJ Rowland (given in an information meeting prior to the meetings of the Technical Commissions) Doru Simion presents the detailed plan for the MC related “players”: The Game, Grassroots Growth, Strengthening Network. The presentation was very well accepted by all the MC Members.

The deadline for the MC to provide inputs / feedback is the 15 September 2021.

## **12. Methods & Coaching**

Health and Performance Management Manual (Injury prevention: M. Gillard + P. Luig; nutrition manual: C. Manchado; mental coaching manual: L. Bojic-Cacic)

The MC members in charge will contact potential partners (e.g. universities, etc.) regarding the realization and the respective guidelines for the manuals (pdf and online-versions). The topics shall be backed up by webinars in order to provide the latest development and information.

## **13. Education & Training**

- “Handball Online”

Regular video presentations/lectures will be offered to all interested persons: monthly, 45-60 minutes per presentation, topics: coaching, grassroots, Beach Handball, sport management, development, etc.

Presentations will be held by EHF experts, but also top-level coaches, players and external partners.

The participants will have the chance to decide on the topics of the future, thereby involving them in the community.

- e-learning for players, coaches, managers, lecturers, referees and delegates  
In the future an “education system” shall be offered to various target groups e.g. grassroot coaches / educators, lecturers, managers, coaches (various levels), referees and delegates. A respective concept needs to be established. It will also be necessary to implement an “education for educators/lectures”.
- Evaluation and re-launch “RINCK” Convention  
Based on the fact of continuous development within the field of coaching and education Doru Simion expresses the need of the evaluation and adaption of the EHF RINCK Convention to the current needs. The MC members fully support this approach and aim to appoint the RINCK Convention Panel for a first evaluation process of the current status until the end of 2021.

## **14. Youth, School and Non-competitive sports**

- Cooperation with partners  
New and already existing partners shall be contacted in order to define further cooperation e.g. regarding the topic “child protection”.
- Coaches’ platform  
A video channel for handball coaches (regardless of their level) will be created (further education, match analysis by top coaches, e.g.). Additional material will be offered via the new [activities.eurohandball.com](http://activities.eurohandball.com).

- Handball for players with learning disabilities
  - Handball for kids with learning disabilities – grassroots:  
A video meeting will be held with persons already active in the field of “Handball for kids with learning disabilities” to learn about their activities and projects. The aim is to define an EHF proposal how to include kids with learning disabilities in Handball and provide a respective manual for the National Federations.
  - “EHF & Special Olympics European Handball Week” in 2022  
The EHF MC proposes the organization of an “EHF & Special Olympics European Handball Week” in 2022. The event can consist of a “Nations’ Tournament and Unified Tournament” on the one side and a festival (activities for players, fans, parents, spectators) on the other side.  
Players and teams who are not able to attend the tournament shall promote their activities on social media via a dedicated hashtag.  
The tournament will be organized in cooperation with Special Olympics Europe / Eurasia (informal talks were already held).  
The local organizer will be supported financially (as for Wheelchair Handball Nations’ Tournament).  
A respective MC Motion will be tabled to the EXEC including details and a budget proposal. (see motions to the EXEC).
- Kindergarten Handball  
The EHF will produce a Kindergarten Handball Manual. The manual shall provide clear exercises, information on the organization and run-down of the workshops, as well as additional information as “how to communicate with kids”, “How to include parents and kids to the club life”, etc.  
L. Bojic-Cacic will define the content of the manual in cooperation with the EHF Office.

## 15. Development

- New structure and procedure for development programmes  
With reference to point 6.3. of these minutes the MC clearly outlines the need to redefine the EHF development programmes.  
After receiving the necessary feedback and details of all Member Federations (questionnaire) and the respective analysis, potential and tailor-made support programmes shall be defined.  
The content of this programme shall not be only be reduced to material or financial support. Support can also be given in the field of structure, education system, social media, etc. in cooperation with respective experts who will function as counsellors. The concept provided will be adapted by C. Manchado and the EHF Office.

## 16. Others

- Handball as esport / virtual reality  
P. Sequeira outlines 3 necessary steps regarding the topic “esport / gaming” in Handball:
  1. step: Education (what is esport, how to deal with it)
  2. step: Usage of esport for coaches (connecting with the youth) – “gaming”
  3. step: Create Handball game

P. Sequeira (with the support of the MC members) will provide an education programme for coaches to make them familiar with esports / gaming and the ways to include the topic in their coaching of and communication with the players.



- Handball opportunities for elderly people  
Already existing programmes regarding the topic “Handball4Health” shall be collected and presented to the member federations. P. Sequeira will contact potential partners.
- Dual career  
The members of the Methods Commission agree about the importance of establishing dual career as a core concept of the “Handball for Life” approach of the EHF. Therefore, additionally to current initiatives (Respect your talent), dual career counselling should also be a possible part of future, newly adapted, development programmes.

### **17. Any other business**

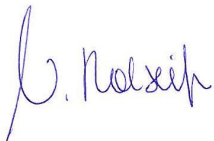
- Global Sport Innovations Centre (powered by Microsoft)

GSIC connects different players in key areas to create value in sport industry and is working with the best sport tech companies and sport entities. The core areas are business network, showcase area, applied research/training/education, start-ups & companies and digital transformation advisory services.

During an innovation day a specific challenge in terms of sport tech can be addressed to GSIC. Potential partners will be searched with the aim to offer a solution for the challenge. The MC recommends signing a respective membership (see motion to the EXEC).

P. Sequeira thanks all member for their participation and closes the meeting.

For the minutes: N. Rabenseifner



## Assignment of tasks

### 3. Methods & Coaching

3.2. YAC Analyses 21 – W19 EURO SLO (08-18 July 2021, W19 Championships ITA and MKD (10 – 18 July 2021), W17 EURO MNE (05 – 15 August 2021), W17 Championships GEO and LTU (06 – 15 August 2021), M19 EURO CRO (12-22 August 2021), M19 Championship MKD (09-15 August 2021), M19 Championships BUL and LAT (16 – 22 August 2021)

Publication W19 Championship analysis – publication B. Kozłowska  
YAC Injury Analysis 2021 – Summary M. Gillard  
New guidelines for analysis M. Tijsterman

### 4. Education and Training

Signing procedure GEO as “RINCK Convention” signatory EHF Office  
Organization of meeting with non-signatories EHF Office  
Letter to RINCK Convention Panel V. Schweiger  
2022 EHF Master Coach Course – programme (by 10 September 2021) P. Luig  
Technical realization of platform for licensed coaches V. Schweiger & IT department  
Realization of “Handball Online” in 2022 V. Schweiger  
Concept e-learning for various target groups MC + EHF Office

### 5. Youth, School and Non-competitive Sport

Prioritization and preparation for Grassroots projects B. Kozłowska  
National Young Coaches Workshop Manual N. Rabenseifner  
Info on EU European Week of Sports to Member Federations B. Kozłowska  
2022 World & European Wheelchair Championship: Preparation calling for organizers after EXEC approval (autumn 2021) N. Rabenseifner  
e-learning for EHF Wheelchair Handball referee and delegate candidates N. Rabenseifner  
Handball Coaching App: Definition of topics P. Sequeira  
Contact to new and existing partners regarding grassroots topics B. Kozłowska  
Video meeting with “Handball for kids with learning disabilities” experts N. Rabenseifner  
EHF Kindergarten Handball Manual L. Bojic-Cacic & N. Rabenseifner

### 6. Development

Restructure of development system C. Manchado & N. Rabenseifner  
SMART programme ALB (after EXEC approval) N. Rabenseifner  
Finalization of development questionnaire N. Rabenseifner

### 8. Lecturers / Specialists / Scientific Network / RC Panel

Creation of profile and guidelines (restructuring system) P. Sequeira & EHF Office

### 9. Activities Website

Realization of new concept V. Schweiger & IT department

### 11. Introduction of EHF Master Plan / MC related players

Inputs by MC members by 15 September 2021 all MC Members

### 16. Others

Gaming and esport: education programme for coaches (EXEC approval) P. Sequeira  
Summary of “Sport Social Responsibility” projects P. Sequeira

## **Motions to EXEC**

### **Methods & Coaching**

Approval of continuation of cooperation with university Alicante / Kinexon on scientific basis.

### **Youth, School and Non-competitive Sport**

World & European Wheelchair Handball Championship 2022: Approval of hosting a common Championship in 2022.

EHF Wheelchair Handball Referees & Delegates: Approval of a transition period regarding the age limit of referees and delegates in Wheelchair Handball.

“EHF & Special Olympics European Handball Week” in 2022: Approval of realization and budget.

### **Development**

Approval of the SMART programme with ALB

### **Any other business**

Global Sport Innovations Centre: Approval of membership.