



MINUTES

IBU Executive Board Meeting 172
20 August 2024, 14.00-16:00 CET, virtual

ATTENDANCE

DAHLIN, Olle	IBU	President
HAMZA, Jiri	IBU	Vice President ¹
SCHERER, Christian	IBU	Treasurer
BOYGARD, Tore	IBU	Executive Board Member
DAFOVSKA, Ekaterina	IBU	Executive Board Member – Partially
FARCNIK, Tim	IBU	Executive Board Member
HÄCKI-GROSS, Lena	IBU	Executive Board Member
SAGUEZ, Fabien	IBU	Executive Board Member
SANTER, Nathalie	IBU	Executive Board Member
STEINLE, Franz	IBU	Executive Board Member
COBB, Max	IBU	Secretary General ²

Guests:

BÖHM, Daniel	IBU	Sport & Event Director (SD)
EIDENHAMMER, Margit	IBU	Head of Finance and Administration (HFA)
GERASIMUK, Dagmara	IBU	Development Director (DD)
RAKIC, Riikka	IBU	Head of Strategy, Sustainability & Governance (HSS)

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 - 4.1.3. IBU Honours
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 - 5.2. Decision City Biathlon Opener, Munich 2025
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 - 5.4. Decision Additional Support for OC Ammunition Storage
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 - 7.1.2. EB 174 Nov 20-22 Munich/GER
 - 7.1.3. EB 175 Feb 20-21, Lenzerheide/SUI
 - 7.1.4. EB176 Jun 16-17, Salzburg/AUT
 - 7.2. Other IBU meetings
 - 7.2.1. Congress 2024, Sept 27-29, Belgrade/SRB
 - 7.2.2. Technical Committee, Oct 27-28, Munich/GER
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The President welcomed the Executive Board members and staff on the call.

2. Approval of agenda items + pot. conflict of interest announcement

The agenda was approved as presented. No conflicts of interest were announced.

3. Circular decisions between EB Meetings

3.1. Stockholm Winter Biathlon Gala

Following EB 171, the EB has taken a circular decision to approve the late application of NF SWE to stage the Stockholm Winter Biathlon Gala during the season 2024/2025.

The EB decided to appoint a liaison group consisting of Jiri Hamza, Tim Farcnik and Franz Steinle to discuss future approvals for such competitions and applicable media and marketing arrangements with NF SWE.

The Treasurer asked to clarify EB procedures concerning decisions and information sharing on time-critical decisions. The EB agreed that only information normally included in the minutes and/or agreed to be shared at the meeting can be shared before the minutes are published in the case of time-critical decisions.

4. Congress 2024, Belgrade/SRB

4.1. Handbook

The Executive Board reviewed the draft Handbook for the 16th Ordinary IBU Congress.

4.1.1. Esports governance

Proposal for a motion on inserting Esports into the Constitution was approved for inclusion in the Handbook.

4.1.2. Voting for all open positions

Proposal for a motion for the Rules of Congress was approved for inclusion in the Handbook.

4.1.3. IBU Honours

The EB approved applications for IBU honours as follows:



Aleksandre BUDZISHVILI of Georgia – IBU certificate of honour for individuals on the proposal of the National Biathlon Federation of Georgia

Ilmo KURVINEN of Finland – IBU certificate of honour for individuals on the proposal of Biathlon Canada and the Finnish Biathlon Association

The EB also asked the Honours Working Group to reconsider the rules for the IBU Hall of Fame in respect to athletes whose careers transpired before the establishment of the IBU World Cup and regarding exceptions.

Additionally, the EB decided to modify the proposal for a Congress motion on a second board membership by EB members.

Finally, the EB supported the recommendation of SG and DD for full membership of Lebanon to be forwarded to Congress in Belgrade.

4.2. Congress update

An update on the planning of the Congress 2024 was provided.

The various tasks/roles for EB during the Congress will be discussed at the informal EB gathering in HQ on 27 August 2024.

5. Sport

5.1. Decision WC/WCH Seeding System

A review of the proposal, which was worked out from sport-feasibility perspective by the Technical Committee (TC) as tasked by the EB, for a change of the seeding procedure still requires more discussion and involvement of the AC, TC, the EB's Media and Marketing Working Group as well as broadcasting representatives.

The EB agreed to table the decision to its meeting at the Congress (EB 173) to allow for continuing dialogue and engagement of all stakeholders.

5.2. Decision City Biathlon Opener, Munich 2025

The EB acknowledged the planned date for the new City Biathlon Opener in Munich, GER as 19 October 2025.

The decision on the concept was tabled to EB 173 where the financial framework will be presented.

5.3. National Federation change: Anna Sellers CAN to USA

The EB approved the NF change for Anna Sellers from CAN to USA.

The Treasurer asked the EB to consider a rule that sets a calendar deadline for NF changes and their applicability. The EB asked the SG to review such deadlines and procedure.

5.4. Decision Additional Support for OC Ammunition Storage

The EB approved the proposal for extraordinary OC support from within the existing budget in 2024/2025 based on a proposal for a new safety measure that requires the provision of a dry and temperature-controlled central ammunition storage at the IBU event series venues.

6. Miscellaneous

Unfortunately, some agreements between MiCo 2026 and OC Antholz is still pending.

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Confirmation of the final minutes for EB 172



Olle Dahlin, President



Max Cobb, Secretary General