

European Powerlifting Federation

Minutes of the General Assembly 2011.

Date: Monday 2nd May Place: Parkhotel, Pilsen / Czech Republic Start: 18:00

2rd May in Pilsen, Czech Republic

Delegates: Full members

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain ,Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg ,Netherland, Norway, Poland, Romania, Sweden, Ukraine No vote: Russia Totally: 19

EC members Myriam Busselot, Arnulf Wahlstroem, Dietmar Wolf, Alain Hammang, Sandro Rossi, Ralph Farquharson

Chairmen (without vote)

Myriam Busselot, Maria Pia Moscianese, Sandro Rossi, Ralph Farquharson

Non-executive members (without vote) Jiri Hofirak

**Totally 25 votes. 2/3 majority=14 votes / simple majority=13 votes In some of the voting, not all delegates were present, so the total number of votes may different

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3) President's report.

Welcome.

On behalf of the EPF I wish delegates and guests welcome to the 2011 European General Assembly. I want to thank the organiser, by the meet director Vladimir Mati and the President of the Czech PF, Miroslav Vasek, for inviting us to Pilsen.

I am looking forward to a pleasant stay and a very well organised championship.

European Championships 2010.

A lot of hard work and good planning created European championships of good technical and social standard in 2010. Statistics show that all together 802 (*808) lifters took part in European championships in year 2010 which is about the same amount as the year before.

It is a high standard on European lifters and *lelyzaveta Byruk from Ukraine and Anibal Coimbra from Luxembourg* were awarded European lifters 2010.

European championships 2010 were organised in:

 Köping, Sweden (Open) 83 (*88) Men and 55 (*40) Women Hamar, Norway (Juniors) 71 (*95) Men and 31 (*40) Women • Pilsen, Czechia (Masters) 132 (*137 Men and 28 (*28) Women Bratislava, Slovakia (Benchpress Open) 97 (*94) Men and 62 (*42)Women Hagondange, France. (Benchpress Masters) 143 (*132) Men and 42 (*46) Women Hamm, Luxembourg 38 (*25) Men and 20 (*16) Women (WEC) * = numbers in 2009.

Antidoping.

In year 2010, EPF made 115 doping tests at European championships. This means that about 15% of all lifters were tested and 5 lifters tested positive and are suspended for two years.

IOC has informed us that the only formal reason IPF is not IOC recognized, is because of the high number of positive doping samples from powerlifters every year. 5 positives in 2010 means about 4% of the tested lifters at European championships and with such a high number, powerlifting will not be accepted by IOC- and that is the real fact our sport face.

To change the mentality in some federations from being tolerant about doping abuse to zero toleration is a national concern. If there are not a strong support by the Government in a country, the officials and coaches must in all their work institute rules that stimulates to fair play in the sport. But they must also institute hard punishments for those who are cheating.

EPF can make doping controls in and out of competitions but the work to really minimize doping abuses must be done by the national federations and in clubs and training studios.

Fair play in sport must be the motto for all powerlifters and the fight against doping abuse will not stop and has the highest priority within EPF.

High standard of European lifters.

I like to express my congratulation to all European medallists at World championships.

European lifters won 41 out of 57 medals at the Open Worlds and 42 out of 63 medals at the Junior Worlds. Also European Sub Juniors, Master lifters and Bench pressers in all age categories won a high number of World medals last year.

This great progress is a result of hard work by the athletes but also a big credit to European coaches and training systems as well as the leadership in national clubs and federations. You should all be very proud of this success.

New visions and strategic planning.

The EPF administration has in co operation with IPF made an agreement with Olexandr Kopaev from Ukraine to work full time for EPF and IPF. This is a big step forward to improve our electronic service both at European championships and at the internet.

Kopaev will take part in all European championships conducting the Competition computer work as well as arrange for internet streaming from the championships. However, internet streaming is only possible if the organizers provide a high standard fibre internet line with capacity 5 MB/s or higher.

Kopaev's competition program, the "Goodlift System", will be used at all Europeans and Worlds and from this system the result service will be homogenous. This is also a big step forward for EPF because with different PC systems used at European championships, it was time consuming to post the results at the EPF web.

Kopaev will also work out a Nomination system which allows each federation to make their own nominations to European championships directly at the EPF home page.

Another system he will work with is a "Lifters profile system". This will be a system for implementing the lifters profile (merit lists), pictures etc. and will be a "reference book" for journalists and other person to find vital data about the lifters.

Thanks to the EPF Officials.

I want to thank all EPF officials for your good work.

By reading your reports in this agenda, it is clear that the EPF work takes a lot of your time but this is a work you all do based on your interest to bring powerlifting forward.

No federation or company is better than the people doing the work and I am proud to state that EPF has dedicated and hard working officials that cooperate perfect in the leading team and also cooperate well with our members.

Thank you very much all of you for your great work to run and administrate the EPF!

Election.

At this General Assembly, election of new officials takes place. All of the present officials have accepted to be re nominated which indicate they are stimulated with the work they do, the co operations is good without conflicts and they want to continue to use much of their time to work for the sport of Powerlifting.

I myself have also accepted to stand for another period if elected. This is based on the good co operation we have in the administration and all the exciting projects we are working with to bring powerlifting forward. EPF has the last years made many steps to improve the organization of European championships, which is the main duty for EPF as federation, but EPF has also established both large and small routines that make our organization run better. Still EPF has many challenges, but small steps will bring us forward and the EPF administration together with the delegates at the GA shall line out the future for our sport and accomplish what will be decided.

Independent of the outcome of the election, I wish the delegates good luck to elect your new administration and I wish all elected good luck with the important work they have to do the next 4 years.

I hope we will have useful discussions and make good decisions at this General Assembly and I wish you all a successful Open European Powerlifting Championships 2011.

Best regards,

Arnulf Wahlstrom, EPF President

** Accepted unanimous

4) Minutes of the last Congress.

The Minutes can be loaded down from the EPF web.

** No remarks.

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5) EPF Account 2010. (All values are in Euro)

Financial Situation	Year 2010	EPF Savings Account	
		LU430019651241234000	
Category	Expenses	Category	Incomes
Bank Fees BCEE	-7,50	Left over 2009	83175,15
		Credit Interest	801,40
Total	-7,50	Trft business account	7830,85

	Left over 31.12.2010:	91799,90 €

Global Financial Situation	Year 2010	EPF Business Account	
		LU300019205559571000	
Category	Expenses	Category	Incomes
Bank Fees	-154,47	Anti-Doping Fees 09	42200,00
Doping Costs + OCT	-30898,04	Membership Fees 09	300,00
EPF Championships Medals	-2670,88	Membership Fees 10	5615,00
Flight/Travel Costs	-8108,48	Membership Fees 11	500,00
Hotel Accomodation	-1490,10	Participating Fees	16900,00
Marketing Strategy	-8878,51	Penalty Referee Fees	2250,00
Other Approved Expenses	-5331,63	Sanction Fees 09	2700,00
Reimbursement	-2300,00	Left over 2009	969,22
Sports Development Fund	-3245,00		
Transfers Savings Account	-7830,85		
Total:	-70907,96		71434,22
Left over 31.12.2010			526,26
Left over for 2010:		526,26 + 91799,90 = 92326,	16 Euro

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Net incomes 2010	8181,79 Euro

Year 2010	EPF accounts	
Expenses	Category	Incomes
-200,00	Credit Interest	1000,00
-3000,00	Doping Fees	42000,00
-6500,00	Membership Fees	6500,00
-37500,00	Participating Fees	33600,00
-5000,00	Penalty Referee Fees	1000,00
-5000,00	Sanction Fees	2700,00
-7500,00	Sponsors	1500,00
-3500,00		
-16800,00		
-3300,00		
-88300,00		88300,00
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** Accepted unanimous

Treasurer Report:

I have the great pleasure to inform the EPF congress that for the year 2010 (31.12.10) our two accounts EPF shows a very good increase.

In the last 8 years you can find the following financial evolution in our EPF accounts stands:

2003	12.646,40 Euro (EPF account in Spain)
2004	26.091,87 Euro (EPF account in Spain
2005	41.875,38 Euro (EPF account in Luxembourg / open June 2005)
2006	58.114,21 Euro (EPF business account 1.076, 91+ EPF savings account 57.037,30)
2007	70.649,48 Euro (EPF business account 1.892,52 + EPF savings account 68.756,96)
2008	84.106,17 Euro (EPF business account 1.906,50 + EPF savings account 82.199,67)
2009	84.144,37 Euro (EPF business account 969,22 + EPF savings account 83.175,15)
2010	92.326,16 Euro (EPF business account 526,26 + EPF savings account 91.799,90)

Against the fight of doping, the part of EPF for OCT tests ordered by IPF was 3000 Euro. Norway and Bulgaria claimed for "Sports Development Fund", 1125,00 Euro for Norway and 2120,00 Euro for Bulgaria. EPF gives back 50% of the costs of EPF Championships Medals for following nations: Norway, Sweden, Luxembourg, Slovakia and France.

1. Situation of the EPF Business account

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Total incomes 2010	71434,22 Euro
Total expenses 2010	-70907,96 Euro

Left over 2010

526,26 Euro

2. Situation of the EPF Savings account			
Total incomes 2010	91807,40 Euro		
Total expenses 2010	-7,50 Euro		

Left over 2010 91799,90 Euro

Left over for 2010:	526,26 + 91799,90 = 92326,16 Euro
Net incomes 2010	8181,79 Euro

Alain Hammang EPF treasurer

** 24 Yes, 1 Abstention

** EPF EC ask to be discharged of the responsibility of the EPF Account 2010: Accepted unanimously

Report from the Auditors Committee.

Dear members of the EPF Congress,

As every year we have checked all incomes and expenses of the year 2010 by means of a detailed balance sheet presentation. Furthermore the treasurer presented well sorted files with complete records to all book-entries. We checked a substantial control sample of the bank account statements and compared the balance with the final balance of the bank.

EPF is in a very good financial shape. All the EPF officers operate economically and bill only what is absolutely necessary. We thank all of them and especially Alain Hammang for his clear and accurate work as treasurer.

Anyhow we want to appeal to the national federations to pay their membership fee in time until end of January, in agreement with the EPF by-laws. The payment moral is not everywhere as it should be. Whereas some nations pay their subscription fee already during the last weeks of the previous year, some other pay whenever they want, some of them even ignore the delay penalty of 50 \in . The EPF federations expect a good work of the EPF officers, but also have to make their contribution by paying the membership fee in time.

Finally we confirm that incomes and expenses in the balance sheet correspond with the bank statements of period from 1st January to 31st December 2010. All expenses and incomes recorded in the EPF bookkeeping are in full compliance with the EPF Constitution and By-Laws.

Kind regards

Marina Kail and Pavol Müller EPF auditors

** Accepted unanimous

Budget 2011. (All values are in Euro)

Provisional Budget	Year 2011	EPF accounts		
Category	Expenses	Category	Incomes	Balance
Bank Fees BCEE	-300,00	Credit Interest	900,00	
EPF Championships Medals	-2800,00	Doping Fees	42000,00	
Flight Tickets /Travel costs	-10800,00	Membership Fees	7000,00	
Doping Costs +OCT	-40000,00	Participating Fees	33600,00	
Hotel accomodation	-3000,00	Penalty Referee Fees	2000,00	
Marketing Strategy	-4000,00	Sanction Fees	2700,00	
Other Approv. Expenses	-6300,00	Sponsors	1000,00	
Sports Development Fund	-5000,00			
Participating Fees	-16800,00			
Reimbursement	-6200,00			
Total:	-95200,00		89200,00	
Debit balanced provisional budget 11				-6000,00

** 24 Yes, 1 Abstention

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6) General Secretary Report

Dear General Assembly delegates, member federations, ladies and gentlemen

First of all, I will use the opportunity to thank all lifters, national federations, EC-, and Committee members for a good cooperation during the last year.

The EPF is very well established in the International Powerlifting Federation. The way our Federation handles the daily challenges is trend – setting for other regional federations in the IPF. A part of our EPF board-, and committee members are also working in different committees in the IPF, where we try to have positive influence concerning developing Powerlifting world wide.

Our national federations illustrate valuable daily work on a very good acceptable stage and with progress. The EPF has established a very good professionalism during the last years related to the organization of championships and developing our federation. We are working on establishing better media coverage concerning our most important championships in the future. In addition to our homepage we established a coach corner where coaches and lifters can find important information concerning Powerlifting training and nutrition. The coach corner will be updated from time to time with more relevant information regarding Powerlifting training.

We can be proud of our female and male European lifters' performance on a high national and international level. Thank you also to the referees who have represented the EPF in a good manner with high quality judging on international championships.

The daily work among EC, - and committee members is based on an excellent cooperation. This cooperation and good atmosphere inspires the EC, - and Committee Members to continue developing the EPF in a good manner. A part of this developing plan was the third workshop for the EC members held in Luxemburg February 2011. A special thanks to our president Arnulf Wahlström and Championship Secretary Jiri Hofirek both working untiring on a high level for the EPF.

The IPF – GA has decided to cut the female and men weight categories down to total 15 from 2011 on. Besides this the group of the best lifters should compete in the evening time. The reason to this decision was to try to reach more spectators attending our championships. In addition to this we believe with internet streaming in the evening we will reach more people who are interested in watching Powerlifting on internet.

In addition the IPF - GA decided to delete the impairment form in bench - press. This decision caused a lot of discussions. Finally there was found an acceptable wording. Our referees in the EPF will through the referee clinics be updated on which way they have to handle the new bench – press rules.

Concerning doping abuses in the EPF 2010

With blitheness, I can state a lower number of positive youth/junior/senior/masters lifters at European-, World Championships, WEC and Cups in 2010.

I encourage all our member nations to visit the website for prohibited substances. All important information concerning prohibited substances can be found on the WADA website, the WADA website is updated continually.

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Finally I would like to wish everybody a successful General Assembly and European Championships!

Dietmar Wolf, EPF Secretary General

** Accepted unanimous

7. Committee Reports.

- Auditor Committee Report

See chapter no. 5

** Accepted unanimous

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- Technical Committee report.

2010 has passed and I am pleased to report to the General Assembly the following:

In Potchefstroom we had a meeting concerning the IPF rules. Great discussions on the spot and many emails afterwards, also many items were voting. All this to make the rules as clear and user friendly as possible and to make the rules more easier and certainly in the interest of the lifters and the referee's. Some are still difficult, but eventually everyone will be happy. I shall get my best to be there for you.

Referees, if you have the opportunity to be at time at the championships, take part at the referee's clinic. During each referee clinic, there's always something to learn. If not, don't hesitate to ask me if you are in doubts. I will always try to help.

Thanks to Referee Registrar Patrik Thur for his hard work and good cooperation for the administration of our International referee's registrations world wide.

Total number of referees 2009-2010 2009 CAT 1 CAT 2 TOTAL 2 2010 CAT 1 CAT 2 TOTAL 300 268 250 200 150 150 118 100 50 □ 148[□] 260 112 0

Total number of European Referees :

2010 was also a year of good team-spirit and friendship, a building-stone in our sport. Thanks to all. Hopefully I can give you much support in the coming years and look forward to meet you at a next Championship.

If you are satisfied with my work I would appreciate your vote in my election for EPF Chairman Technical Committee promising that I will continue to do my best for Powerlifting in the next four years.

All the best to the Czech Powerlifting Federation with the Men's and Women's European Championships !

Kind regards.

** Accepted unanimous

- Law & Legislation Committee report.

In these four years the L&L Committee has given support to the Executive and to the General Assembly in order to up to date the Constitution and the By Law.

The Constitution and By Law are the basis of our sport-democratic organisation. But as every legislative body also our system of Constitution and By Law needs to be updated. This work has been made in occasion of the IPF's GA and by many and autonomous initiative.

In this frame some proposals to update the By Law will be forwarded to this GA, as illustrated in this Agenda.

Moreover in these four years a strategic job was made with the cooperation of the whole Executive: the template of the Constitution.

All these works were a great experience of cooperation between all the members of the EC.

The Law and Legislation Committee wishes to all delegates a successful General Assembly and also wishes all the best to the Organizers of these Men's and Women's Europe.

To the Lifters and Coaches "good lift"!

Best regards,

Sandro Rossi Chairman Kalevi Sorsa Member

** Accepted unanimous

- Disciplinary Committee report.

Dear members of the EPF General Assembly,

Well, the year 2010 is definitely over and from the perspective of DC it was really successful year, indeed. It must be emphasized that in particular due to fair – play and sportsmanship acting of all the members – the sportsmen, contestants, official representatives the DC was in fact without the any standard work during all the year. In 2010, alike in previous years, the activities of DC were narrowed down to suggestions as well as taking collective decisions regarding the problems of EPF within EPF executive committee. The members of DC also took an active part in managing of doping controls at competitions within to valid rules at the time. This year the competitions however shall be conducted in accordance with new rules in effect. I hope that the potential unknowingness of new rules valid January 1, 2011, will not be a source of invectives in upcoming future and at the end of the year 2011 I could also state the same as in 2010- DC was without the standard work.

I wish you all a successful General Assembly

Pavol Müller, E.P.F. Disciplinary Committee Chairman

** Accepted unanimous

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- Appeal Committee report

The Appeal Committee has not received any appeals during the last period.

Since there has not been any activity in the Appeal Committee, it has neither been required to appoint any additional members.

Morten Novum, Chairman, Appeal Committee

** Accepted unanimous

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- Women's Committee Report

Dear Delegates and Member Federations,

At the last General Assembly I produced statistics regarding the participation of women lifters in Powerlifting and Bench Press Competition during the period 2000 – 2009.

This year I have extended the statistic with the year 2010.

You can see this document opening the new EPF website following the link "About EPF - "Women's Powerlifting".

This represent a first step; as future target of Women's Committee will be to develop this corner by a short presentation of women's Powerlifting situation in each Member Federation. In order to realize this project I ask for the co-operation of all Member Federation.

Finally I wish you all a successful General Assembly and Open European Championships

Maria Pia Moscianese – EPF Women's Committee Chairwoman

...** Accepted unanimous

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- EPF Championship Secretary Report.

Dear Sport colleagues,

My work on last year was similar as on all past years. Nevertheless, there were some matters which do problems with my Championships Secretary duty:

1. Nomination deadlines to European championships.

Some federations often ask me if they can send me their preliminary nomination four or five days later after dead line of the preliminary nomination. The reason is that there National championships in their Country on the date of the preliminary nomination and they need delay for sending their nomination. But everyone knows that the EPF calendar is published 3 years before and each federation haven't problem with fixing date of the National championships at adequate term. That is why EPF Executive Committee always disapproves these requests. Keep on your mind that late nominations will not be accepted.

All nominations for Championships can only be put forward by accredited official of federations and not by unknown person or individual lifters. This official must send the nomination to me and to Meet Director of the Championships. Individual nominations will not be accepted.

Some officials don't know that sending of the final nomination is obliged and that a federation can not take part at the championships if they do not send the final nomination.

Regarding the final nomination, no reserve lifters can be included in the final nomination.

- 2. Filling of the preliminary nomination forms.
- Here are some most frequent mistakes in nominations form which I often receive from some federations:
- in nomination isn't state for which categories will be their referees available,

• in nomination aren't stated the best results of several lifts or there aren't stated total results of lifters. All this data must be stated in the preliminary nomination not only in final nomination,

- It is an obligation of every Federation to confirm the participation of all their Referees nominated in the final nomination or to apologize cancelled referees who will not participate in the Championship. Most of federations don't do it.
- 3. I would like to remind you the responsibilities of lifters, coaches and officials at European Championships:
- a) Victory Ceremony

At the Victory ceremony the lifters represent their countries but also they represent the sport of powerlifting. A proper dressing of each lifter is required to give this ceremony decorum and to show that each medal winner is proud to enter the podium. Only sport wear is allowed for entry to the podium. The Victory Ceremony is under the control of the Technical Controller (TC).

b) Warm up area

Even if in IPF rules is clearly stated how many lifters and coaches may stay in the warm up area, there is many federations that break the Rules at each Championships. At most of championships there are much more "Coaches" than lifters in warm up area. I ask you to help the organizer and the EPF delegates to keep the discipline in the Warm up area. You all know, that in warm up room can't seat down some friends, parents, brothers and sisters of the lifters. Only specific number of coaches can be in the warm up area. Organizer and EPF delegates have the right to dismiss unauthorized persons from the warm up area and they will do it on this year. I ask you please to respect this.

4. But there were some better work of federation in the last year. Very good co-operation was in the sphere of exchanging medals from positive lifters to lifters who had won places behind the positive lifters. All federations which I had asked about the medals cooperated very well with me and that was why I could hand over all medals to lifters who had right for them. There were no problems in this matter. I would like to express my thanks to these Federations.

I would like to wish you a successful General Assembly and very good European Championships.

With kind regards
** Accepted unanimous

Jiri Hofirek, EPF Championship Secretary

- EPF Media Officer Report

Dear delegates, members Federation. I would like to express my gratitude to the EPF executive board, promoters of European championship and member nations for their kind co-cooperation during 2010.

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As the EPF media officer it's my role to try and work with promoters of European championship to raise the profile of the sport of Powerlifting with the media and the general public

Below is the media coverage European championship received during 2010.

Coverage for the European open

The championship was covered by a web stream company with good viewing figures, the men's 100Kg and +125Kg Category was shown live on Swedish TV with about 250.000 viewers, they was also live radio broadcast twice during the championship, with daily report in the local newspaper and local TV. Local clubs received a number of calls from people interesting in taking up Powerlifting

Coverage for the European Junior

The championship was stream live with between 1000 and 1300 viewers each day, 5 different local newspapers writing about the championship, before, during and after, there were a number of Announcement of the championship on local radio leading up to the championship They were an article in the local press regarding Dietmar Wolf been elected into the EPF Hall of Fame

Coverage for the European Masters

The event was stream live with average traffic to the website, it also receive national TV and radio coverage. There were a number of articles in the local press regarding the championship. The event was advertised in a national magazine

Coverage of the European Open Bench Press

The European Bench Press receive very good media coverage in Bratislava, a number of journalists was in attendance from the big corporations TASR and SITA. Pavol Muller, Sandro Rossi and the meet Director Mr Capla was interviewed by Slovak TV. Czech TV Nova interview Czech lifter Hana Takacova, Sandra Rossi and Capla

The Masters Bench Press was stream live by Goodlift cam which was of a very low standard, in my opinion it did not advertised our sport in a good light, a number of local newspaper and TV covered the championship.

The Western European was covered by national TV and newspaper plus a large audience on the day local lifter Anibal Coimbra competed, the day before the championship there was an article in the national newspaper regarding Anibal.

All in all European championships receive good coverage during 2010. But if we wish for the sport of Powerlifting to be more popular among the Media and the General Public then we must all try and do more.

With that in mind at the EPF Executive workshop in Luxembourg in February, the executive agree that as from 2012 the media procedure plan will formed part of the promoter's contract, it will also be Obligatory for organizers to appoint a media office. The EPF to encourage all member nations to appoint a media officer on their committee

There is a proposal to the General Assemble if accepted will be included in the By Laws. That all lifters taking part in European championships and cups shall complete the profile form and return it to EPF officers during the weigh-in. I also requested that the profile also formed part of the Goodlift program

May I wish all delegates a very successful General Assembly.

Ralph Farquharson, EPF Vice President and Media Officer

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8) Election.

Elections of:

- President:	Candidate: Arnulf Wahlstrøm,	NOR - elected
- Vice President,	Candidate: Ralph Farquharson,	GBR - elected
- General Secretary,	Candidate: Dietmar Wolf,	NOR - elected
- Treasurer	Candidate: Alain Hammang,	LUX - elected
 Technical Committee chairman: 	Candidate: Myriam Busselot,	BEL - elected
	Xavier de Puytorac,	FRA
- Law & Legislation Committee chairman:	Candidate: Sandro Rossi,	ITA - elected
 Disciplinary Committee chairman: 	Candidate: Pavol Müller,	SLO - elected
 Appeal Committee chairman: 	Candidate: Morten Novum,	NOR - elected
 Women's Committee chairman: 	Candidate: Maria Pia Moscianese,	ITA - elected
 Auditors (2 persons) 	Candidates: Pavol Müller	SLO - elected
	and Marina Kail,	GER – elected
- IPF Board member:	Candidate: Arnulf Wahlstrøm	EPF - elected

9) Proposals.

9.1). By Laws. Lifters Profile form (By EC).

All lifters taking part in European championships and cups shall fill in the "Lifters Profile form" and hand it over to the EPF officials during the weighing in, *or the nations send the "Lifters Profile form" together with the final nomination to the organizer.*

** Accepted unanimously with the amendments in blue text.

9.2) By Laws. Time for new EPF officials to enter their office. (By EC).

New EPF officials, elected by the General Assembly (GA), enter their office the day after the completion of the Open European Championships which follows the GA.

**Accepted unanimously

9.3) By Laws. Hotel bills and travel costs for the EPF Computer Secretary attending European Championships. (By EC).

The hotel accommodation and food (breakfast, lunch and dinner) for the EPF Computer Secretary shall be paid by the promoter of the European championships or cups while flight and travel costs and other approved expenses shall be paid by the EPF.

**Accepted unanimously

9.4) By Laws 103.2. Sanction Fees.

* Sanction fees for European Championships to be raised from 500 to *750 Euro and the sanction fee for the Western European Championships to be raised from 200 to **400 Euro. Danube Cup from 100 to ***200 Euro

The new fees will be implemented from 2012.

* Accepted unanimous

** 24 Yes, 1 No, Accepted with the amendments in blue text.

*** 23 Yes, 2 No, Accepted with the amendments in blue text.

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10) New Member Applicant

	Full Members		Full Members	Suspended members
1	*Armenia	19	Latvia	**Azerbaijan
2	Austria	20	Lithuania	**Moldavia
3	Belarus	21	Luxembourg	**Montenegro
4	Belgium	22	Netherlands	**Portugal
5	Bulgaria	23	Norway	**Slovenia
6	Czech Republic	24	Poland	**Ireland
7	*Denmark	25	Romania	
8	Estonia	26	*Russia	
9	Finland	27	Serbia	
10	France	28	Slovakia	
11	Germany	29	Spain	
12	*Georgia	30	Sweden	New Applicants:
13	Great Britain	31	Switzerland	None
14	*Greece	32	Ukraine	
15	*Hungary			* = Not paid membership
16	*Iceland			by 31 March 2011
17	Israel			** Deleted as a member
				nation in the EPF register
18	Italy			

New application for full EPF membership: None

12) Action on Delinquent Nations

None.

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13) Hall of Fame.

Alain Hammang from Luxemburg was awarded Hall of Fame as official. Ielja Strik from Netherland was awarded Hall of Fame as female lifter Anibal Coimbra from Luxemburg was awarded Hall of Fame as male lifter

EPF Hall of Fame history.

Year	Official	Female lifter	Male lifter
1993	Heiner Köberich, GER	Claudine Cognac, FRA	Jarmo Virtanen, FIN
1994	John Moody, GB	Judy Oakes, GB	Eddy Pengelly, GB
1995	Arnulf Wahlstrøm, NOR	-	Victor Naleikin, UKR
1996	Vic Mercer, GB	Audhild Hansen, NOR	-
1997	Arnold Boström, SWE	-	-
1998	George Legget, GB	Dagmar Wang, AUS	Kenneth Mattsson, SWE
1999	Kalevi Sorsa, FIN	Anna-Liisa Prinkala, FIN	-
2000	Henk Kaiser, NET	Natalia Rumyantseva, RUS	Leopold Krendl, AUS
2001	-	-	Wym Elin; BEL
2002	Ralph Farquharson, GB	-	-
2003	Jiri Hofirek, Czech Rep.	Cecile Jamin, France	-
2004	Myriam Busselot, Belgium	-	-
2005	Pavol Müller, Slovakia	-	Andy Kerr, GBR
2006	-	Inger Blikra, Norway	-
2007	-	Antonietta Orsini, ITA	-
2008	-	Raija Jurkko, Finland	-
2009	-	Jaroslaw Olech, Poland	-
2010	Dietmar Wolf, NOR		
2011	Alain Hammang, LUX	Ielja Strik, NED	Anibal Coimbra, LUX

14) Bids and confirmation on Future Championships.

2011 (given)

Danube Cup	March 18 th -19 th	Gorna Oryahovica, Bulg.
European Open	May 3 rd -7 th	Pilzen, Czech Rep
European Junior	June 07 th – 11 th	Northumberland, GBR
European Masters	July 5 th – 9th	Pilsen, Czech Rep.
European Benchpr. Open	August 04 th – 06 th	Pilzen, Czech Rep
Western European Champ.	Septemb. 16 th – 17 th	Cuijk, Netherlands
European Benchpr. Masters	October 27 th – 29 nd	Hamm, Luxembourg

2012 (given)

European Open	May 8 th – 12 th	Donetsk, Ukraine
European Junior & Sub Junior	June 5 th – 9 th	Herning, Denmark
European Masters	July 3 rd – 7 th	Pilsen, Czech Rep.
European Benchpr. Open	August 9 th – 11 th	Milano, Italy
Western European Champ.	Septemb. 14 th – 15 th	Hamm, Luxembourg
European Benchpr. Masters	October 18 th – 20 th	Zlin, Czech Rep.

2013 (given)

Danube Cup	March 15 th -16 th	Hungary
European Junior	April 9 th – 13th	Prague, Czech Rep.
European Open	May 7 th – 11th	Pilsen, Czech Rep.
European Masters	July 9 th – 13th	Great Britain?
European Benchpr. Open	August 8 th – 10th	Bratislava, Slovakia
Western European Champ.	Sept. 13 th – 14th	Blanquefort, France
European Benchpr. Masters	October 17 th – 19th	Sofia/Varna, Bulgaria

2014 (given)

European Junior & Sub Junior	April 9 th -13th	St. Petersburg, Russia
European Open	May 7 th – 11th	Sofia, Bulgaria
European Masters	July 9 th – 13th	Pilsen, Czech Rep.
European Benchpr. Open	August 8 th – 10th	Praque, Czech Rep.
Western European Champ.	September 13 th -14th	Milano, Italy
European Benchpr. Masters	October 16 th – 18 th	Hamm. Luxembourg

Adjournment

15) Any other Business.

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