



# European Powerlifting Federation

## Minutes of the General Assembly 2010.

Date: Monday 3 May  
Place: Köping, Sweden  
Start: 18:00

Delegates with votes: Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Great Britain, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Slovakia, Sweden.

Delegates without votes (not paid membership fee in time):  
Austria, Iceland, Russia, Ukraine, Romania (provisional member)

EC members: Myriam Busselot, Alain Hammang, Sandro Rossi, Arnulf Wahlstrom, Dietmar Wolf

*\*\*Totally: 19 votes*

### AGENDA.

1. Welcome by the President and the Meet director
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- Law and Legislation ..... Sandro Rossi  
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### 3) President's report.

#### **Welcome.**

On behalf of the EPF I wish delegates and guests welcome to the 2010 European General Assembly. I want to thank the organiser, by the meet director Robert Ericsson and the Swedish PF as well as the local organizer, for inviting us to Köping. I am looking forward to a pleasant stay and a very well organised championship.

#### **European Championships 2009.**

A lot of hard work and good planning created European championships of good technical and social standard in 2009. Statistics show that all together 808 (\*744) lifters took part in European championships in year 2009 which is 64 lifters more than the year before and 129 lifters more than in 2007. It is a high standard on European lifters and *Antonietta Orsini* from Italy and *Jaroslav Olech* from Poland were awarded European lifters 2009.

European championships 2009 were organised in:

• Ylitornio, Finland	(Open)	83 (*88) Men and 40 (*60) Women
• Jönköping, Sweden	(Juniors)	95 (*68) Men and 40 (*40) Women
• Pilsen, Czechia	(Masters)	137 (*128) Men and 28 (*36) Women
• Frydek-Mistek, Czechia	(Benchpress)	94 (*82) Men and 42 (*47) Women
• La Louviere, Belgium.	(Benchpress Masters)	132 (*151) Men and 46 (*44) Women
• Sandnes, Norway	(WEC)	25 (*35) Men and 16 (*25) Women
• Bratislava, Slovakia	(Danube cup)	22 Men and 8 Women

\* = numbers in 2008.

#### **Antidoping.**

In year 2009, EPF made 116 doping tests at European championships. This means that about 15% of all lifters were tested and 2 lifters tested positive and are suspended for two years.

The low number of positives is encouraging and mirrors the work done primarily by WADA and IOC to push all nations to establish national antidoping systems according to WADA specifications.

When WADA was established in 1999 by the 12 largest World sport federations, IPF was one of the very first none IOC recognized federations that became WADA certified. Later all world sport federations, that want to be taken serious by GAISF and IOC, have become WADA certified.

IPF started the fight against doping abuse in about 1980 and the first international doping control was made at the Open Worlds in Calcutta in 1981. This test unveiled that use of anabolic stimulants probably were widespread as about half of the tested lifters were positive. However, the tests were set aside due to procedure error. But from that day IPF and also EPF realised that the health and the moral of our athletes have the highest priority and declared that fair play without using any artificial banned substances and a high ethic standard is the only future for our sport. Anything else will destroy all our work to make powerlifting a respected and sound sport.

Most of our members comply with the EPF ethic norms but the "birch behind the mirror" meaning the ADAMS system (Antidoping Administration & Management System) and national and international OCT tests are effective systems to both deter and unveil doping abuse.

The fight against doping abuse will not stop and has the highest priority within EPF.

#### **High standard on European lifters.**

I like to express my congratulation to all European medallists at World championships and World Games 2009. European lifters won 15 out of 24 medals at the World Games and impressive 46 medals out of 57 at the Open Worlds.

Also European Junior and Master lifters 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 officials, elected by the GA, are mandated to carry out the activities between the yearly GA's but they are also the working administration to make up plans for the future – meaning strategic planning. Throughout the last years and for the future the following items have been or are on the strategic list:

1. *Planning and conducting doping controls at every European championship.*  
Contracts are worked out by the EC and are filled in by the organizer and the people conducting the controls. Transport and analyzes of the doping samples must be organized and any positive samples need to be followed up. This is an ongoing work for each European championship.
2. *Improving the over all standard of European championships.*  
The EC have worked out "The Promoters Contract" and "The Organizers Checklist" which shall be signed, adopted and followed by the organizers.  
Further, the EC have focused on the conditions in the warming up room, the victory ceremony, the accommodation, the transport etc. to better the overall standard.
3. *Working out a new logo.*  
The EPF logo is a symbol for the identity of all members in EPF. The new logo that was presented at the General Assembly 2009 reflects energy (the arrow) and power (bar and plates).
4. *Working out a new web page.*  
This has been a detailed work for one year by the company Costra in Germany and the EC officials and hopefully all members are pleased by the good outcome.
5. *Sport development fund and subsidized medals.*  
To increase the standard of IPF recognized equipment in the warming up room and at the platform on European championships, EPF and the manufacturers of equipment offer the organizers bars, plates and racks to about 70% reduced price.  
Also all big medals (for the total) are subsidized with 50% by EPF provided the medals are purchased through EPF. This is to secure medals of high standard at all Europeans.
6. *Media.*  
The EC see a strong need of establishing better routines and bringing in more people to carry out Media work in connection with European championships. This work has started.
7. *Basic training of powerlifting.*  
It will be a good service to our member nations to present some basic training principles for powerlifting. A project to work out such training guidelines, videos etc. to be posted at the EPF web is going on.  
A "Coach Corner" will be established at the EPF web bringing information and news about training.
8. *Internet streaming from European championships.*  
The EC is working with guidelines and requirements to organizers for making internet streaming from all our European championships. EPF will support the organizers economically for such service.

#### **Thanks to the EPF Officials.**

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

By reading your own 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 by great go ahead spirit and 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 with our members.

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

To end this report, 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 2010.

Best regards,

*Arnulf Wahlstrom, EPF President*

**\*\* Accepted unanimous**

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#### **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 2009.** (All values are in Euro)

Financial Situation	Year 2009	EPF Savings Account	
		LU430019651241234000	
Category	Expenses	Category	Incomes
Bank Fees BCEE 09	-1,50	Left over 2008	82.199,67
		Credit Interest 09	976,98
Sum	-1,50		83.176,65
		Left over:	83.175,15 €

Financial Situation	Year 2009	EPF Business Account	
		LU300019205559571000	
Category	Expenses	Category	Incomes
Bank Fees 09	-110,66		
Flight Tickets 09	-2626,25	Doping Fees 09	42000,00
Hotel Accommodation 09	-1983,41	Drug Offence 08	500,00
Interest 09	-2,20	Membership Fees 08	300,00
Inv. Doping Kids 09	-1674,82	Membership Fees 09	4250,00
Inv. Doping Laboratory 08	-210,00	Membership Fees 10	2750,00
Inv. Doping Laboratory 09	-20952,64	Participating Fees 09	5245,00
Inv. Doping Transp. Costs 09	-1190,20	Penalty Referee Fees 08	250,00
Marketing Strategy 09	-8228,85	Penalty Referee Fees 09	1957,90
Other Approv. Expenses 09	-10174,16	Sanction Fees 09	1000,00
Reimb. 09 pc/intern/phone	-1950,00	Left over 08	1906,50
Sports Develop. Fund 09	-995,00		
Trav. Costs. Car 09	-6605,05		
Workshop 2010	-2486,94		
Sum	-59190,18		60159,40
Left over			969,22

Net income 2009:	=	38,20
Total left over 2009: 969,22 + 83.175,15	=	84.144,37

**\*\* Accepted unanimous**

## Treasurer Report:

I have the great pleasure to inform the EPF congress that for the year 2009 (31.12.09) our two accounts show a very good increase.

In the last five 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)
<b>2009</b>	<b>84.144,37 Euro (EPF business account 969,22 + EPF savings account 83.175,15)</b>

EPF can now introduced new concepts and new visions and can become more professional with this strong financial and economic position.

In 2008 we have introduced a new category "Marketing Strategy" and the EPF was the only region which has supported IPF in 2008 with 2500 Euro. In 2009 the category "Marketing Strategy" with the new EPF logo and the new EPF website shows an investment over 8000 Euro.

For 2009 the EPF had proposed a provisional misbalanced budget for 2009 with a minus of 15.000 Euro, we can now present a balanced one.

### **1. Situation of our normal business account**

Total left over 2008 and incomes 2009	60.159,40 Euro
Total expenses 2009	-59.190,18 Euro

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Left over 2009 **969,22 Euro**

### **2. Situation of our savings account**

Total left over 2008 and incomes 2009	83.176,65 Euro
Total expenses 2009	-1,50 Euro

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Left over 2009 **83.175,15 Euro**  
**Total Left Over for 2009: 969,22 + 83.175,15= 84.144,37 Euro**

*\*\* Accepted unanimous*

## Report from the Auditors Committee.

Dear members of the EPF Congress,

We have checked all incomes and expenses which are in the balance sheet presented by the treasurer and compared the balance with final balance at the bank.

Based on the comparison of the bank statement and balance sheet presented by Alain Hammang we have to confirm that the incomes and expenses in the balance sheet correspond with the bank statement of period from 1 January to 31 December, 2009 with balance 84 144,37 EUR. All expenses and incomes recorded in the EPF bookkeeping are in full compliance with the EPF Constitution and By Law .

We wish good success to the EPF Congress.

*Marina Kail and Pavol Müller*  
EPF auditors

*\*\* Accepted unanimous*

## Budget 2010. (All values are in Euro)

Provisional Budget	Year 2010	EPF accounts		
Category	Expenses	Category	Incomes	Balance
Bank Fees BCEE	-200,00	Credit Interest	1000,00	
Championships Medals	-3000,00	Doping Fees	42000,00	
Flight Tickets /Travel costs	-6500,00	Membership Fees	6500,00	
Invoices Doping Laboratory + General Doping Costs +OCT	-37500,00	Participating Fees	33600,00	
Marketing Strategy	-5000,00	Penalty Referee Fees	1000,00	
Media Strategy + EPF Web + Internet Streaming	-5000,00	Sanction Fees	2700,00	
Other Approv. Expenses	-7500,00	Sponsors	1500,00	
Sports Development Fund	-3500,00			
Participating Fees	-16800,00			
Workshop EPF 11	-3300,00			
Total:	-88300,00		88300,00	
balanced budget 10				

*\*\* Accepted unanimous with the remark that the EC is granted some flexibility to adjust the extent of incomes and expenses within the budget.*

## 6) Vice President Report.

Dear member of the General Assembly and member federations

It gives me great pleasure to announce another highly successful year for the European Powerlifting Federation it is now without doubt becomes a very professional federation.

### Media

I am asked to take on the responsibility to inform the media about all European championships, to accomplish this task I will need the co-operation of all promoters of European championship, and by working together we can raise the profile of Powerlifting with the general public and the media.

### Website

We now have a website everyone in the federation can be proud of, many thanks to Patrick Ries and his team for their kind help and support in meeting the criteria set by the EC board.

## Strategy Plan

As part of the EPF strategy plan it is proposed to establish a video for Powerlifting to show basic lifting techniques and training for young lifters, plan also to introduce a coach corner at the website where lifter can get training tips. EPF to stimulate organizers of Open and Junior European to arrange internet streaming, a very exciting time ahead for the EPF.

May I wish you all a very successful General Assembly and Open European championships.

Ralph Farquharson , EPF Vice President

*\*\* Accepted unanimous*

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## 7) General Secretary Report

Dear congress delegates, member federations, ladies and gentlemen

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

The EPF is still growing and powerlifting is very well established in Europe. National federations, board-, and committee members on international and national level illustrate valuable daily work on a very good acceptable stage. Since the EPF has been reorganised in 2004, we have established a very good professionalism over the last years related to the organization of championships, good educated referees and lifters with high performances on national and international championships. Therefore I will encourage our member nations, officials, lifters and volunteers to be proud of our achievements in the past. The daily work among EC, - and committee member is based on an excellent cooperation and their workloads are handled with great enthusiasm. This excellent cooperation and good ambience inspire the EC and Committee Members to continue to develop the EPF in a good manner. Here a special thanks to our president Arnulf Wahlstrøm and Championship Secretary Jiri Hofirek as both are working indefatigable for the EPF.

Surely, the major highlight in the year 2009 was the World Games held in Kaohsiung – Taiwan. The national powerlifting federation from Taiwan prepared the venue in a perfect manner and a lot of Taiwanese spectators followed enthusiastic the competition every day.

From Europe totally 29 (14 female/15 male) lifters participated very successful at the World Games. This Powerlifting Event was a great experience for all lifters, coaches, referees and officials. The only set – back was the quality of the competition hotel. But I am sure that the responsible persons in the IPF will take action that such an awkward situation will certainly not occur again.

At the World's 2008 in Canada, EPF and the German agency (Costra) started to negotiate concerning a new and more functional home page for the EPF. After a long creation and cooperation process (including a work shop) with the Agency and the EPF board, the new home page has been installed in December 2009. For the moment the EPF are in negotiations with this company again to find a solution about a program to provide a directly result service from imported championships and additionally the EPF is willing to support organizers financial in the future if they can provide professional internet streaming from European events.

Concerning doping abuses in the EPF 2009.

With satisfaction, I can state a lesser number of positive youth/junior/senior/masters lifters at European and World Championships, WEC and Cups in 2009. Unfortunately, not all affiliated member nations are directly connected to the national Anti Doping Agency in their countries. Again, I would like to point out that these affiliated member nations should provide an Anti Doping program and support their lifters by analysing the substances of their medications regarding the WADA list of prohibited substances to avoid unpleasant situations.

The list of prohibited substances can be found on the WADA website, this side is updated continually. Link: <http://www.wada-ama.org/en/> click on the right hand side – Prohibited List.

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

*\*\* Accepted unanimous*

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## 8. Committee Reports.

### - Auditor Committee Report

See chapter no. 5

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### - Technical Committee report.

Another year has passed and I am pleased to report the following:

in Potchefstroom at the World's Open Championships, we will discuss, debate and vote on many items, hopefully in a good way, to make the rules more easier and certainly in the interest of the lifters.

Thanks to Referee Registrar Goran Gunnarsson for his good work keeping tract of numbers and the administration of our International Examinations world wide. Goran resign from the position as IPF Referee Registrar and will be replace now by Patrik Thur. Once again thanks to Goran for his good job in the past.

Referees, if you have the opportunity to be at time at the championships, take part at the referee clinic. During each referee clinic, there's always something to learn.

Total number of European Referees :

2009	25 nations
CAT 1	112
CAT 2	148
<b>TOTAL :</b>	<b>260</b>

2009 was also a year of good co-operation, 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.

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

Kind regards.

*Myriam Busselot, EPF T.C. Chairman*

*\*\* Accepted unanimous*

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### - Law & Legislation Committee report.

The L&L Committee has given support to the Executive and to the GA in order to up date the Constitution and the By Law of EPF.

This was done after the GA of IPF in India.

In 2009 the main jobs were:

- to give support to some new affiliated Federation in order to have a valid Constitution and By Law (as stated in our rules). This was done also, under the umbrella of the Law and Legislation Committee of IPF.
- to put forward to the GA the proposal and the proper wording, in cooperation with the other EC members, about new rules for the participation of lifters in a competition outside her/his country.
- To support the Executive to make proposals to the GA as shown in these Agenda for the 2010.

This job was a great experience in which the deep cooperation between all the members of the EC, had a very important role.

The Law and Legislation Committee wishes to all delegates a successful GeneralAssembly and also wishes all the best to the Organizers of these Men's and Women's European. To the coaches and lifters, have a successful competition.

Best regards,

Sandro Rossi (Chairman)

Kalevi Sorsa (Member)

*\*\* Accepted unanimous*

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## **- Disciplinary Committee report.**

Dear members of the EPF Congress,

I would like to thank to all lifters and officials for their fair and sport behavior during the year 2009 so the DC was without the standard work. In 2009 as well as in previous years the activity of DC was directed onto reminding and taking collective decisions regarding the problems of EPF within EPF executive committee. Members of DC took active part in managing of doping controls at competitions according to valid rules. In spite of the doping control policy is under the IPF control, the DC of EPF had to make one statement in 2009. I have to point out that the problems regarding to doping control made in our member federations are not cases for the EPF DC and must be solved by the executives of national federations .

I would like to thank to all members of EPF executive and to representatives of our member nations for a very good cooperation and support during the year 2009.

I wish you all a successful Congress!

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

*\*\* Accepted unanimous*

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## **- Appeal Committee report**

The position as Appeal Committee Chairman is vacant.  
No appeals have been lodged in 2009.

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## **- Women's Committee Report**

Dear Delegates and Member Federations,

In this first year of my activity the Women's Committee, as announced in the last congress, produced a statistics regarding the participation of women lifters in Powerlifting and Bench Press Competition during the period 2000 – 2009.

You can see this document opening the new EPF website in the corner properly created for "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,

There are several matters which do problems with my Championships Secretary duty:

1. Nomination deadlines to European championships.  
As in the past years I still receive too late nominations from some federations – often as much as 7 or 10 days later. Keep on your mind that late nominations will not be accepted.  
Everybody must know that nominations for Championships can only be put forward by federations and not by individual lifters. Individual nominations will not be accepted.  
Regarding the final nomination, which is 21 days prior to a championship, no new lifters outside the preliminary list can be nominated. As well, no reserve lifters can be nominated on final nomination.
2. Filling of the preliminary nomination forms.  
The filling of the preliminary nomination forms was better this year compared to the past years.



Nevertheless, I often receive nomination without state for which categories will be their referees available, in other cases aren't stated best results of several lifts or there aren't written total results of lifters. All this data must be stated in the preliminary nomination not only in final nomination.

Please, federations, comply with the nomination deadlines specified at the invitations for European championships to save both yourselves and me for additional work. I ask all Presidents of Federations to explain to your officials that they must fill out the nomination forms rigorously and completely. My duty as the Championship Secretary have no other mandate than to strictly follow the EPF Bylaws which specify the 60 days and 21 days nomination deadlines and with completely filling nomination forms.

3. I would like to advise about the responsibilities of lifters, coaches and officials from all Federations during the competition:

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. Unfortunately, sometimes came some lifters on the podium with heavy "mountain boots" or with blue jeans or with leather jacket and other no sport clothes. It is no more possible in Europe Championships. Only sport wear is allowed for entry to the podium. The Victory Ceremony is under the control of the Technical Controller (TC). Each winner, overall and single lift, will stay near the TC, waiting for the Victory Ceremony. The TC will check the correct dress of lifters and if they are not in the correct dress, they will be invited to be so. After, when a soft music will play, the TC will conduct the winners beyond the podium.

b) 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. Nevertheless, at most of championships there are much more "Coaches" than lifters. Organizer and EPF delegates have the right to dismiss unauthorized persons from the warm up area. 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 to every one of you a successful General Assembly and European Championships.

With kind regards

*Jiri Hofirek*, EPF Championship Secretary

*\*\* Accepted unanimous*

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**- EPF Media Officer Report**

No report was presented.

*Anton Kraft*, EPF Media Officer

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**9) Election.**

*EC officials:*

- Appeal Com. Chairman,

Candidate: Morten Novum, Norway

*Morten Novum was elected unanimous.*

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**10) Proposals.**

**1a) To be removed from the Constitution: (By EC)**

13.9 Participation of Foreign Lifters in National Competition.

A lifter living in a foreign country may only participate in competitions organised in that country provided that he presents written evidence of permission of his national federation to take part in such competition. These to be provided by his own federation.

Reason: To be replaced by 1b).

**1b) New sub-articles 105.10.5 - 105.10.7 to By-Laws.**

105.10 Competitions

105.10.5 A lifter may only compete in ~~competitions or~~ championships or Cups outside his/her country **Region** if nominated by his/her national federation and accepted by the organizing federation.

Nominations must be made within the time limits as specified in Article 105.5.

105.10.6 Such participation at any championship or Cup under the supervision of the EPF will be as a guest lifter, outside of a particular competition for the placements in that championship or Cup.

Participation and anti-doping fees, as specified in Article 103.2, must be paid for the guest lifters as well.

**\*\* 18 Yes, 1 Abstention. Accepted with the amendments in blue letters**

**2). New Sub Junior group in the European Juniors (By EC)**

Sub Junior lifters will form their own age group at the European Junior Championships and a new European record list for Sub-Juniors will be established.

*Reason:*

To stimulate young lifters. Starting from 2011.

Remarks: If accepted, new Sub Junior European record list will be established by adopting the Sub Junior

World records held by European lifters and minima will be made for other weight categories.

**\*\* 18 Yes, 1 Abstention. Accepted.**

**3) Penalty fee for not paying in time. (By EC)**

If nominated nations in European championships or cups have not paid the required participation and doping fee to the bank account of EPF within the day of the Technical meeting for that championship a penalty fee of 500 Euro will be charged.

The invoice must be sent the nominated federations by the EPF Treasurer latest 14 days prior to the day of the Technical meeting for that championship. If any withdrawals in the nomination list are done within 7 days prior to the technical meeting, the EPF will repay any excess payments to the federations.

**\*\* 13 Yes, 2 Abstentions, 4 No. Accepted**

**4) 104.6 EPF Hall of Fame. (By EC)**

To change the last sentence (underlined) to read:

Any lifter or official previously awarded Hall of Fame will lose this distinction if suspended by his National federation, EPF or IPF due to doping abuse or other serious violations.

**\*\*18 Yes, 1 No. Accepted**

**5) Representation at the Technical meeting. (By Luxembourg PF)**

If a representative for a participating nation in an European championship is not present at the Technical Meeting prior to this championship **or has not informed the EPF Championship Secretary about his absence by confirming participation of his federation's nominated lifters (by e-mail or phone)** a fine of 250 Euro will be imposed.

**\*\* 13 Yes, 2 Abstentions, 3 No. Accepted with the amendments in blue text.**

**6) Change of date for organizing European Juniors. (By EC)**

The date of the organization of the European Junior Championships shall be in April each year. Starting from 2013.

**\*\* 17 Yes, 2 Abstentions. Accepted**

**7) Same competition hotel(s) for all. (By Belgium PF)**

~~It is obligatory for all participants and officials nominated European championship to stay in the official competition hotel(s) for that championships.~~

*Amendment from the Polish PF:*

**It is obligatory for all competitors who participate in European championships to stay in the official competition hotel(s) advised in the invitation for the particular championship. If a competitor is not staying in the official competition hotel he/she is not allowed to compete in this European Championship.**

Remarks: This proposal was discussed in detail and several amendments put forward. The final proposal (from Poland), as written above, achieved the majority of votes.

The proposal shall also be forwarded to the IPF General Assembly.

**\*\*10 Yes, 1 Abstention, 6 No. Accepted with the amendments in blue**

**8) Jury. (By EC)**

Each national federation must specify at the nomination list which weight categories the referees are available for refereeing. After the final nomination date, the EPF Technical Committee Chairman issues a referee list for the whole championships. Any changes of a referee's duty may be reported to the Technical

Committee Chairman latest 7 days prior to the championship. After that date the referees can not expect to officiate in other duties than specified.

**\*\* 16 Yes, 2 Abstentions, 1 No. Accepted**

## 11) New Member Applicant

EPF Member Nations

	Full Members		Full Members		Suspended members
1	*Armenia	18	Latvia		**Azerbaijan
2	*Austria	19	*Lithuania		**Moldavia
3	*Belarus	20	Luxembourg		**Montenegro
4	Belgium	21	Netherlands		**Portugal
5	Bulgaria	22	Norway		**Slovenia
6	Czech Republic	23	Poland		**Ireland
7	Denmark	24	*Russia		
8	Estonia	25	Serbia		
9	Finland	26	Slovakia		
10	France	27	Spain		
11	Germany	28	Sweden		<b>New Applicants:</b>
12	*Georgia	29	Switzerland		Romanian PF
13	Great Britain	30	*Ukraine		Israel PF
14	*Greece	31			
15	Hungary	32			
16	*Iceland	33			* = Not paid membership by 31 March 2010
17	Italy				** = Suspended

New application for full EPF membership: [Romanian PF and Israel PF](#)

**\*\* Accepted unanimous.**

## 12) Action on Delinquent Nations

None.

## 13) Hall of Fame.

**Dietmar Wolf**, Norway was awarded Hall of Fame as official.

He has served as EPF Secretary General since 2005 and contributed strongly to the development and running of EPF. Wolf is also an international coach with long experience and a high level of learning.

### **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	-	-	Jaroslav Olech, Poland
2010	<a href="#">Dietmar Wolf, Norway</a>	-	-

## 14) Bids and confirmation on Future Championships.

### 2010 (given)

European Open	May 4 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup>	Köping, Sweden
European Junior	June 8 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Hamar, Norway
European Masters	June 22 <sup>nd</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup>	Pilsen, Czech Republic
European Benchpr. Open	August 12 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup>	Bratislava, Slovakia
Western European Champ.	September 24 <sup>th</sup> 25 <sup>th</sup>	Hamm, Luxembourg
European Benchpr. Masters	October 21 <sup>st</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Hagondange, France

### 2011 (given)

Danube Cup	March 18 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup>	Gorna Oryahovica, Bulg.
European Open	May 3 <sup>rd</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup>	Pilsen, Czech Rep
European Junior	June 07 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup>	Northumberland, GBR
European Masters	July 5 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup>	Frydek-Mistek, Czech R.
European Benchpr. Open	August 04 <sup>th</sup> – 06 <sup>th</sup>	Yalta, Ukraine
Western European Champ.	Septemb. 16 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup>	Mill, Netherlands
European Benchpr. Masters	October 20 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Hamm, Luxembourg

### 2012 (given)

European Open	May 8 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Donetsk, Ukraine
European Junior	June 5 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup>	Herning, Denmark
European Masters	July 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup>	, Czech Rep.
European Benchpr. Open	August 9 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup>	Milano, Italy
Western European Champ.	Septemb. 14 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup>	No bid
European Benchpr. Masters	October 18 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup>	, Czech Rep.

### 2013 (given)

Danube Cup	March 15 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup>	Hungary
European Junior	April 16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup>	Czech Rep.
European Open	May 7 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup>	Czech Rep.
European Masters	July 9 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup>	No bid
European Benchpr. Open	August 8 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup>	Bratislava, Slovakia
Western European Champ.	Sept. 13 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup>	No bid
European Benchpr. Masters	October 17 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup>	Bulgaria

## 15) Any other Business.

## 16) Adjournment