

## MINUTES

**Event: IPC Alpine Skiing Technical Committee Meeting**

**Date: 28 October 2007**

**Place: FIS Autumn Meetings, Zurich**

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<b>Participants</b>	Name	Position	(Initials)
	Sylvana Mestre	Chairperson	SM
	Markus Walser	Head of Technical Control & Officiating	NW
	Gianfranco Martin	Head Competition Europe	GM
	Michael Knaus	IPC Race Director	MK
<b>Absent:</b>	Nick Dean	Vice Chairperson	
	Seungmo Kang	Head Competition Asia	
	Erik Petersen	Head Competition North America	
<b>Guest:</b>	Takao Hayashi	JAP	
	Sadahiko Matsui	JAP	

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<b>Purpose of the Meeting</b>	Review the Calendar and major competitions. Restoration factors. Planning education programs season 2007/08 Assist to FIS technical meetings
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<b>Executive Summary/ Main Outcomes</b>	
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### SUMMARY

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#### 1. Report Chairperson

<i>Discussion</i>	<p>SM informs that for the future all do we use the FIS meetings to reduce costs and time for the STC AS, the two-committee meetings have to be completed separated.</p> <p>Therefore the morning will be for IPC STC matters.</p> <p>The afternoon the FIS Sub-Comitee will take place conducted by SM as Rita Van Driel is not able to attend nor the date proposed and reserved by her nor in the dates proposed by SM to her.</p> <p>Review of the minutes July 2007</p>
<i>Decision(s)</i>	
<i>Action(s)</i>	

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#### 2. LOC World Cup Japan

<i>Discussion</i>	<p>LOC gave preliminary Race Announcement.</p> <p>We discussed required changes to the Race Announcement in order to meet IPC requirements. Once the LOC has the appropriate format then they can forward the invitation to all nations</p> <p>The deadline for entry's is after the last EC race 22-12-07. Japan will need to accept the entries up until 22-12-2007.</p> <p>LOC was informed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Increase to 60 Euro accommodations fees.</li><li>- Markus Walser (CAN) will be the FIS TD in Japan.</li><li>- Hitomari Maruyama (JAP) will be the FIS TD in Korea.</li></ul> <p>MK informed us that the Japanese WC Races have a title sponsor – Yamaha Motors.</p> <p>The STC is to vote for the following: (People present at the time of voting)</p> <p>STC: Sylvana Mestre (Chairperson), Markus Walser (Head of Tech. Control &amp; Officiating), Gianfranco Martin (ITA) Head Competition</p>
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Europe	<p>NOT Present:</p> <p>Nick Dean (Vice Chair), Erik Petersen (Head of Competition NAmerica), Seungmo Kang (Head of Competition Asia and South Hemisphere).</p> <p>1. To approve of Yamaha as title sponsor.</p> <p><i>IPCAS will receive 10 percent of the revenue from this sponsorship net of any in kind or product sponsorship value.</i></p> <p>All agreed.</p> <p>We were informed that they are planning to organize a COC race series in Japan for this season.</p> <p>MK works on the contract with the LOC.</p> <p>SM asks the contact person for the manufacturers of mono-skis in Japan.</p> <p>Mr. Matsui asks to include in the material working group Mr. Osamu Tanaka, a CV is given.</p> <p>SM informs the LOC on the possibility on holding a Paralympic School Day during the WC. Mr. Hayashi approves the idea. SM to speak with IPC.</p>
<i>Decision(s)</i>	
<i>Action(s)</i>	

**3. Event Hosting Contracts**

<i>Discussion</i>	<p>We need to avoid future problems with failure of LOC response regarding their event contracts. We are therefore establishing event sanction deadlines with established sanction payment deadlines.</p> <p>The IPCAS STC will approve the event sanction at the spring meeting. Once the LOC is notified of their event sanction they must submit a non-refundable 30 percent sanction fee within four weeks.</p> <p>This is to avoid the failure of contract completion that we are experiencing at this time.</p> <p>We need to establish event hosting submission deadlines in order</p>
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	to allow all nations to plan their budgets for the following year.
<i>Decision(s)</i>	We establish the following event hosting submission deadlines: World Cup                      January 31 <sup>st</sup> for the next season Continental Cup                March 31 <sup>st</sup> for the next season World Ski Championships      March 31 <sup>st</sup> two years in advance National Championships       August 31 <sup>st</sup> for the next season
<i>Action(s)</i>	

### 3.1 Calendering of events with FIS without contacting IPC

<i>Discussion</i>	Monte Baldo, Italy applied to FIS for a race series in the 2007/08 season. No contact was made with IPC. MK noticed the event in the FIS Calendar. They contacted MK to discuss a 2008 event. MK traveled to their resort at which time they proposed a 2009 event. The venue does not presently have sufficient lift and snowmaking capacity. They have reported that they will have these deficiencies solved for the 2008/09 season. They are requesting that we consider them for an EC event in 2008/09.
<i>Decision(s)</i>	If they resolved the deficiencies, an event hosting proposal would gladly be considered.
<i>Action(s)</i>	MK will send a letter to the LOC for the option to have the EC in 2009 if the requeriments are fullfilled.

### 3.2 IPCAS Races - National Races

<i>Discussion</i>	For the LOC of the IPCAS Races only the technical organization of the race and lift ticket is required. Accomodation is on the teams. The teams will have to pay in the first captain meeting the race fee to the LOC.
<i>Decision(s)</i>	
<i>Action(s)</i>	Informing letter to be sent to NPC

## 4. Head of Clasification Appointment



<i>Discussion</i>	<p>SM informed the committee about the decision and reasons from Hamut Stinus for not accepting to be the HC. Dr. Stinus will continue to collaborate with the STC AS classification team.</p> <p>A new submission has gone to the governing board for Gillian Hall from NZ.</p>
<i>Decision(s)</i>	
<i>Action(s)</i>	

#### 4.1 Classification Seminars

<i>Discussion</i>	<p>SM informs about the classification pathway proposed by Gillian Hall.</p> <p>The STC is to vote for the following: (People present at the time of voting)</p> <p>STC: Sylvana Mestre (Chairperson), Markus Walser (Head of Tech. Control &amp; Officiating), Gianfranco Martin (ITA) Head Competition Europe</p> <p>NOT Present:</p> <p>Nick Dean (Vice Chair), Erik Petersen (Head of Competition NAmerica), Seungmo Kang (Head of Competition Asia and South Hemisphere).</p> <p>1. To approve the classification pathway presented.</p> <p>All agreed</p> <p>It is proposed that the Breckenridge races will have the first trainee seminar as per the Classifier Training Process.</p> <p>The Pitztal race will be the site of a Level I course.</p> <p>It is planned that a Level II course will be held next season</p>
<i>Decision(s)</i>	<p>SM to inform Gillian Hall.</p> <p>Classification budget to be review with Eric Angstad</p>
<i>Action(s)</i>	

#### 5. Working Groups

<i>Discussion</i>	<p>SM sent various e-mails starting in July to all members of the 2 working groups. No response from any of the members.</p> <p>This committees needs to be working as soon as possible.</p>
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SM informs that Gerd Schoenfelder sent a mail asking for the restoration on the factors.

**Equipment Working Group**

MW states that he did not follow up with the committee members. Markus will make contact again at the beginning of October. The members need to. If this does not happen, new mebers will need to be appointed.

**Factor system working group**

The working group for factor restoration was established in the initial July IPCAS STC meeting.

Several requests have been sent out since 21-07-07 for which there was no reply.

The committee still has not yet started to carry out its duties at this time even with further requests.

The STC is to vote for the following:

(People present at the time of voting)

STC: Sylvana Mestre (Chairperson), Markus Walser (Head of Tech. Control & Officiating), Gianfranco Martin (ITA) Head Competition Europe

NOT Present:

Nick Dean (Vice Chair), Erik Petersen (Head of Competition NAmerica), Seungmo Kang (Head of Competition Asia and South. Hemisphere)

**Motion #1:** Proposed by MW:

As the present factor working group is not fulfilling the required work, I recommend that this working group should be dissolved.

Seconded by SM.

Vote: 3 for the motion 0 against, 3 not present – motion carried.

**Motion #2:** Proposed by SM:

That a new working for factor restoration be established at the WC Abtenau, after informing all nations at the first NORAM and EC races as IPCAS STC members will be present at both events.

Seconded by GM.

Vote: 3 for the motion 0 against, 3 not present – motion carried.

*Decision(s)*

If no answer arrives to MW and MK from the members appointed in the July meeting by the middle of October in order to start the work, then in the first EC and first WC information will be pass to the teams in order to appoint new members to the working groups.

*Action(s)*



## 6. Race Schedule IPCAS STC Members for the 2007/2008 Season

### *Discussion*

#### **NORAM Breckenridge:**

Michael Knaus, and Erik Petersen.

Gillian Hall, Bob Harney and a third classifier will staff the classification training.

The classifier course will cost 100 Euro per participant.

TD nominated by the national TD Commissioner (it may be Markus Walser).

#### **EC Pitztal:**

Gianfranco Martin and Arnold Poller as race administrators.

Sylvana Mestre and Michael Knaus will also be present.

Richie Altenberger, Axel Bolsinger and two nominated IPC Classifiers will carry out the classifier education.

The classifier course will cost 100 Euro per participant.

TD nominated by national TD Commissioner.

There will be short presentations membership in advance of the first team captains meeting on:

- IPCAS Rule Book and rule changes,
- IPCAS STC committee structure,
- Course setting workshop run by Gianfranco Martin on 15-12-2007
- Update presentation regarding Vancouver 2010

#### **NORAM Winterpark:**

Erik Petersen as race administrator and Head of Competition NA.

TD nominate by the national TD Commissioner.

#### **EC Kuhtai:**

Sylvana Mestre and Arnold Poller as race administrators.

Gianfranco Martin will be present as Head of Competition Europe.

TD nominated by national TD Commissioner.

#### **NORAM Park City:**

Erik Petersen as race administrator and Head of Competition North America.

TD nominated by the national TD Commissioner.

#### **EC Rollrinn:**

Gianfranco Martin and Arnold Poller as race administrators.

TD nominated by the national TD Commissioner.

#### **WC Abtenau:**

Michael Knaus, Sylvana Mestre, and Gianfranco Martin.

Sylvana Mestre and Angelika Knaus will be race administrators.

TD appointed by FIS TD Commission with a recommendation from the IPCAS STC.

#### **WC Queyras:**

Michael Knaus, Sylvana Mestre, and Gianfranco Martin.

Sylvana Mestre will be race administrator.



	<p>TD appointed by FIS TD Commission with a recommendation from the IPCAS STC.</p> <p><b>EC Sweden:</b> Michael Knaus and Gianfranco Martin as race administrators. TD nominated by the national TD Commissioner.</p> <p><b>WC Korea:</b> Michael Knaus and Seungmo Kang as race administrators. There will be an additional race administrator nominated by Michael. Sylvana Mestre and Gianfranco Martin will be present. TD will be Hitomari Maruyama of Japan.</p> <p><b>WC Finals Japan:</b> Michael Knaus and Seungmo Kang as race administrators. There will be an additional race administrator nominated by Michael. Sylvana Mestre and Gianfranco Martin will be present. TD will be Markus Walser of Canada.</p> <p><b>NORAM Kimberly:</b> Erik Petersen and Peter Engstad as race administrators. The TD is tentatively proposed to be Currie Chapman of Canada.</p> <p><b>NORAM Sun Peaks:</b> Erik Petersen and Peter Engstad as race administrators. The TD is tentatively scheduled to be Ozzie Sawicki of Canada.</p> <p><b>EC Finals La Molina:</b> Michael Knaus and Gianfranco Martin as race administrators. Sylvana Mestre will be present. TD nominated by the national TD Commissioner.</p> <p><b>National Championships:</b> All national championships will have national administrators. TD's nominated by the national TD Commissioner.</p>
<i>Decision(s)</i>	
<i>Action(s)</i>	

**7. IPCAS Software**

<i>Discussion</i>	<p>MK informs that EA confirmed that the contract regarding both Race Calculation and Administration programs will be finish next week.</p> <p>EA has to write the Technical Manual as soon as possible.</p>
<i>Decision(s)</i>	The H of Competition will be provided with a software license.
<i>Action(s)</i>	MK to keep the STC informed



**8. Factor Restoration**

<i>Discussion</i>	<p>Restoration of the factors for the 2007/08 season will be as outlined in the appended document.</p> <p>The factor restoration is required for this season and therefore we have chosen to implement the required changes based on the information that was provided from analysis of results carried out by Michael Knaus.</p> <p>The data used for these calculations had been forwarded to the working group for their input.</p> <p>As we take further direction toward a one winner system for the calculation of the IPCAS Points, this working group must carry out a thorough analysis of the factor system before further factor restoration is implemented.</p> <p>(restoration document attached)</p>
<i>Decision(s)</i>	
<i>Action(s)</i>	

**9. World Championships 2009**

<i>Discussion</i>	<p>SM expresses his concern about the WCH and the lack of response from Kevin Jardine.</p>
<i>Decision(s)</i>	<p>MW will contact EP to keep an eye on.</p>
<i>Action(s)</i>	

**10. FIS COMMITTEE MEETINGS ATTENDED**

<i>Discussion</i>	<p>Alpine Rules: MK - MW          Alpine TD: EA - SM – MK - MW          Alpine committee: SM - MW          Seminar Children&amp;Youth: SM</p>
<i>Decision(s)</i>	
<i>Action(s)</i>	



## 11. TD APPOINTMENTS

<i>Discussion</i>	For Paralympic Games Vancouver 2010: Evelio Gonzalez (SPA) FIS TD Commission Member.  For WCH 2009: Markus Walser (CAN)
<i>Decision(s)</i>	
<i>Action(s)</i>	

## 12. LEGACIES NOW 2010

<i>Discussion</i>	<p>SM informs about the meeting with the comitee of the Athletes Program. EA assisted to the meeting.</p> <p>This program was created as a legacy of the 2010 Vancouver Olympic/Parlympic Games. There will be three fully funded three-week development camps in 2008/2009/2010. The goal of the program is to allow athletes from countries with limited winter sports facilities and/or funding limitations to develop athletes who would meet the criteria for Paralympic competition. We consider all disabled nations as having funding issues as athletes who do not meet national level A-team criteria have limited funding opportunities. We need to determine the age level that will allow us to open the program to an appropriate number of athletes yet still meet the goal of including the youth of the sport.</p>
<i>Decision(s)</i>	Age level up to 24 years old.
<i>Action(s)</i>	SM will send FIS committee the list of the alpine athletes end of next week.

## 13. THROPYS

<i>Discussion</i>	MK presented a trophy and medals for the EC.
<i>Decision(s)</i>	Approved
<i>Action(s)</i>	EA to produce an agreement to be signed with the manufacturer for



a period of 5 years, it should reflect the final price budgeted to be maintained for this period.

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**Next Meeting**

Spring 2008

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**Adjournment**

**Signed.**

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sylvana Mestre" is shown on a light blue background.

**Sylvana Mestre  
Chairperson IPC AS STC**