

## ETTU Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Online

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2023, 1100-1330 CET**

### **Present:**

Pedro Moura (POR), (Acting President)  
Heike Ahlert (GER), (Acting Deputy-President)  
Sandra Deaton (ENG), (Vice-President for Finances)  
Sonja Grefberg (FIN), (Vice-President)  
Ina Jozepsone (LAT), (Vice-President)  
Miguel Vicens (FRA), (Vice-President)  
Chiara Colantoni (ITA), (Athletes Commission Chair)  
Pierre Kass (Secretary General)

### **11.00 1. Welcome of the Acting President and update of activities**

The Acting President welcomed the Executive Board members and updated the members of his attendance at the EOC General Assembly in Istanbul where it was confirmed that a next edition of the European Games will be held.

As the IOC has not yet decided on participation of Russian and Belarusian athletes in the Olympic Games, ETTU has to further look for a potential host who can, in case the IOC decides in favor of them, accept entry of the Russian and Belarusian athletes.

He informed that the current ETTU partner has withdrawn its initial proposition for contract renewal and that ETTU is in negotiations with another company for services withdrawn by the current partner.

### **11.18 2. Adoption of the agenda**

The agenda has been adopted.

### **11.19 3. Minutes of the previous Executive Board Meetings (ETTC Malmö)**

The minutes of the previous Executive Board Meetings have been agreed.

### **11.20 4. Appointment of Gender Equality Committee members**

The EB appointed the following members to fill the vacancies in the Gender Equality Committee until next term in 2024:

Ms	Elisabeth SCHRENK	AUT
Mr	Jean-Michel MUREAU*	BEL
Ms	Helena HOUDKOVA	CZE
Ms	Sally HUGHES	ENG
Ms	Polixeni STATHI	GRE
Ms	Baiba BOGDANOVA	LAT
Ms	Elena MOCROUSOV	MDA
Ms	Marta ADAMCZAK	POL

\*appointed as second Deputy Chair.

## **11.25 5. 2024 Nominations**

The Secretary General informed the Board that elections for the board and all Committees except Athletes (2025), Audit Commission (2026) and Audit Company (2026) will take place in 2024.

For transparency and governance reasons the nominated candidates will be published the day following nomination deadline and no one except the General Secretariat shall receive a list of candidates before, nor a list of the delegates attending Congress.

## **11.30 6. 2025 European Youth Championships - host**

The EB discussed the applications received and budgets presented.

The Executive Board decided to contact the 2 applicants again in order to receive confirmation on the open concerns.

A decision will be taken on a next EB meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023 (10 am CET start).

## **11.50 7. 2025 European U21 Championships - host**

The EB discussed the application received and budget presented.

The Executive Board decided to contact the applicant again in order to receive confirmation on the open concerns.

A decision will be taken on a next EB meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023 (10 am CET start).

## **12.00 8. Ranking Protection – decision**

The Executive Board decided to apply the ITTF Ranking Protection Policy in all ETTU events including the invitation events (Top 16, Youth Top 10 and EC U21).

**12.10 9. Europe Top 16 directives – approval**

The Executive Board approved the Europe Top 16 directives with validation starting the 2025 edition.

**12.15 10. Europe Youth Top 10 – player representation**

Miguel Vicens reported about the well organised Europe Youth Top 10 in Bucharest but highlighted as well concerns on national Associations' representation through playing shirts.

The EB had a discussion on the subject and decided to add a strong recommendation in the event prospectus to use the national Association's shirt.

The subject will be further discussed after consultation with the respective Committees.

**12.45 11. Financial matter – VAT**

The Secretary General informed the board that ETTU is analysing if it would be financially beneficial of having a VAT number. As soon as all consultancy is made a report will be submitted to the EB.

**12.50 12. Date of next EB meetings and in-person meeting**

The next online EB meeting will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023 starting 1030 am CET.

The next in-person EB meeting will be held at and during the 2024 European U21 Championships in Skopje, North Macedonia between the 25<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

**13.00 13. Any other Business**

The Acting President went through the presentation from Stupa giving the relevant information and procedure guidance.

**13.30 14. Closure**

In closing, the Acting President thanked all members for their contribution.

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