



INTERNATIONAL
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IMGA Annual General Meeting

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IMGA Board in attendance:

- President: Sergey Bubka
- Board members: Kate Caithness, David Eades, Sari Essayah, Poul-Erik Hoeyer, Ser Miang Ng, Alex McLin, Makoto Chogahara, Manuela Di Centa, Tom Hollowell, Jens Holm

Apologies: Ugur Erdener, Petra Sörling,

From the Administration:

CEO - Jens Holm

Director of Sport - Samantha Hayward

Director of Marketing & Communications – Kirsty Van Peer

1. Opening of the session

The president Sergey Bubka welcomed the members.

Decision: No comments were made to the agenda

Declaration of interests

No declaration of interests.

2. Identification of delegates and confirmation of their authority

The president introduced LUMI who informed which voting delegates were present: Badminton World Federation (BWF), Fédération International de Basketball (FIBA), International Canoe Federation (ICF), International Golf Federation (IGF), International Orienteering Federation (IOF), International Skating Union (ISU), International Tennis Federation (ITF), International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF), World Curling Federation (WCF), World Archery (WA), World Athletics (WA), World Squash Federation (WSF)

In addition to the voting delegates, the following associate members were present: International Life Saving Federation (ILS), International Floorball Federation (IFF), International Ski Mountaineering Federation (ISMF), World Dance Sport Federation (WDSF), World Flying Disc Federation (WFDF)

3. Appointment of Scrutineers

LUMI is the scrutineer.

4. Approval of the minutes from the General Assembly 2022

The president said the IMGA administration had received no comments on the minutes sent on December 8th, 2022. (sent by email on 16.09.2023, p. 6 of the workbook shared on 16.09.2023 and with the minutes).

LUMI opened the vote.

Decision: The minutes were approved with 100% of the valid votes (10).

5. President's report

The president shared his report with the members (p.12 of the workbook shared with the minutes).

6. Update on IMGA Governance

The president explained the IMGA had moved forward and most recommendations of the Governance Working Group (GWG) had been completed.

The remaining ones – in red in the IMGA Governance Review Recommendations document (p. 13 of the workbook shared on 12.10.2022 and p. 15 of the workbook shared with the minutes) – will require the proposed changes to the IMGA Constitution to be approved before they can be addressed.

Questions:

Zena Wooldridge (WSF) asked if the audit was undertaken following the governance review and expressed her concerns regarding the speed at which the recommendations regarding the establishment of an audit committee.



The CEO explained that a full audit by KPMG had been undertaken and that updates to the Constitution needed to be made in order to allow the last changes to happen.

Kosta Iliev (FIBA) commented on recommendations 1.1 and 1.10 of the GWG related to the reduction of the number of IFs on the board, the increase of independent members; and the income not being shared with the stakeholders.

Alex McLin explained that the recommendation wasn't to reduce the number of IF members but to increase the number of independents.

Ser Miang NG answered that the IMGGA model was different from the IOC model and because there were no sponsorship agreements nor broadcasting rights, the IMGGA wasn't able to fund their stakeholders like the IOC. In addition, the Constitution doesn't allow it.

7. Management letter & accounts

The president said the IMGGA administration had received no comments on the accounts or management letter (sent by email on 16.09.2023, p. 21 of the workbook shared on 12.10.2022, and p. 23 of the workbook shared with the minutes).

The CEO specified that the accounts have been signed by KPMG as the members can see in the documents sent by email on 16.09.2023 but the signatures disappear when the documents are put in the workbook.

8. Approval of the accounts for 2022

LUMI opened the vote.

Decision: the accounts were approved with 100% of the valid votes (10).

9. Appointment of the professional auditor for 2023

The president explained that in line with Articles 25 and 34 of the IMGGA constitution, the IMGGA Board recommends KPMG, Switzerland, for appointment as the professional auditor for the accounts of 2023. LUMI opened the vote.

Decision: KPMG was approved as the professional auditor for 2023 with 100% of the valid votes (11).

10. Alterations to Constitution

The president gave the floor to Alex McLin who introduced the reasons for the proposed changes. (p. 42 of the workbook shared with the minutes).

Questions:

Zena Wooldridge (WSF) asked for a more detailed explanation of the Executive Committee's role and function.

The IMGGA Board Charter details this and is now available on the IMGGA website.

Kosta Iliev (FIBA) asked for clarification on article 12 Resignation and the role of the technical delegates which he would like to see helping from earlier stages and not just being appointed.

The CEO answered that a sport remains on the program of all agreements that have already been signed even if they have resigned from the IMGGA.

Sondre Gullord (IOF) took the floor and supported Mr. Iliev's earlier suggestion to distribute IMGGA's revenue to its members.

In addition, he added that he is glad to see that the IMGGA is moving in the right direction but he also expressed his concerns regarding the transparency and openness of the IMGGA's governance and the speed at which it is moving. He said that in his generation, IMGGA's reputation in the world of sports is bad and mismanaged but transparency and openness are key to regain trust.

LUMI opened the vote.

Decision: The alterations to the Constitution were approved with 100% of the valid votes (11).

11. Next upcoming event Reports

The president introduced the host cities and opened the floor for their progress reports.



WMG 2025

The Organising Committee of the WMG 2025 in Tapei City & New Taipei City presented their progress report to the members. (p. 61 of the workbook shared with the minutes).
No questions were asked.

Open Masters Series 2026

The Organising Committee of the Open Masters Series in Abu Dhabi presented their progress report to the members. (p. 89 of the workbook shared with the minutes).
No questions were asked.

WWMG 2024

The Organising Committee of the WWMG 2024 in Lombardia presented their progress report to the members. (p. 98 of the workbook shared with the minutes).
No questions were asked.

PANAMG 2024

The Organising Committee of the PANAMG 2024 in Cleveland presented their progress report to the members. (p. 123 of the workbook shared with the minutes).
No questions were asked.

12. Any other business

The members were informed that the Board Charter and policies adopted by the IMGA Board in 2023 were now available on the IMGA website.

13. Place and date of the next General Assembly

The members will be informed about the date and location of the next general assembly in due time and according to the new adopted Constitution.

Closing remarks from the President

The president closed the meeting by thanking everybody for their participation.