



## 12th EDSO-CONGRESS

17-18 June 2004 in Ljubljana, Slovenia

### Preliminary program:

Thursday, 17 June	09.00	Admittance to the Congress room
	10.00	Welcome speech and opening
	12.30	Break for lunch
	14.00	Continuation of the Congress
	15.45	Break for coffee
	17.00	End of first day of Congress
Friday, 18 June	09.00	Opening of second day
	12.30	Break for lunch
	14.30	Continuation of the Congress
	17.00	End of the 12th EDSO-Congress

### Agenda:

01. **Opening**  
The EDSO-President Lennart Edwall welcomed the present delegates and guests and opened the 12th EDSO-Congress.
02. **Host speech**  
The President of the Slovene Deaf Sports Federation Janez Slatinsek welcomed the present delegates and informed about some practical details. Representatives from the Slovenia country and Ljubljana town also introduced themselves and welcomed everybody to Slovenia and Ljubljana.
03. **Roll Call**  
Roll Call of the Delegates was carried out by the EDSO Secretary General Isabelle Malaurie. 43 representatives from 29 countries were present.
04. **Appointment of three Scrutinisers**  
Three Scrutinisers were appointed:  
Jan van den Braemhessche from Belgium  
Pavel Stun from Czech Republic  
Carlo Colarossi from Italy
05. **Confirmation of minutes of 11th Congress in Amsterdam**  
It was pointed out that the economical report of Ole Artmann was missing. This should be filled in for the minutes. Björn Röine of Norway questioned paragraph 5,09 in EDSO Statutes and was replied by the EDSO Executive Committee.  
**The 12th EDSO-Congress**  
decides to approve and confirm the minutes of the 11th Congress.

## 06. Reports of European Championships held in 2002-2004

### **A: European Championships held in 2002**

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|----|--|-------------------|
| 1. | 7th Cross Country in Wuppertal/GER, 23 March     | Report approved   |
| 2. | 7th Bowling in Helsinki/FIN, 02-07 June          | Report approved   |
| 3. | 8th Swimming in Amsterdam/NED, 23-29 June        | Report approved   |
| 4. | 6th Water polo in Sheffield/GBR, 16-21 September | Report approved   |
| 5. | 4th Badminton in Basel/SUI, 07-12 October        | Report approved   |
| 6. | 1st Indoor Football in Sofia/BUL, 10-16 November | Report approved * |

\* Belgium protested against the time-rules and other rules concerning Indoor Football. For next E C in Indoor Football there must be clear rules to follow.

### **B: 11th EDSO-Congress in Amsterdam**

Report approved

### **C: European Championships held in 2003**

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| 1. | 10th Table Tennis in Budapest/HUN, 17-22 March | Report approved*   |
| 2. | 6th Volleyball in Munich/GER, 10-17 June       | Report approved**  |
| 3. | 5th Football in Malaga/SPA, 15-28 June         | Report approved    |
| 4. | 6th Athletics in Tallinn/EST, 13-19 July       | Report approved*** |
| 5. | 10th Shooting in Sierentz/FRA, 12-18 September | Report approved    |
| 6. | 3rd Wrestling in Istanbul/TUR, 21-26 October   | Report approved    |

\* Croatia explained they never received the total results of the tournament. It was pointed out that all results must be put up on the EDSO website.

\*\* Volleyball will not be allowed to change dates for next E C- tournament

\*\*\* Norway questioned the presence of Werner H. Kliewer as the EDSO-Official for the Athletic competition. It was replied he was appointed by the former EDSO-Executive Committee for this task.

### **D: European Championships held in 2004**

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| 1. | 2nd Ice Hockey in Feussen/GER, 14-21 February   | Report approved* |
| 2. | 8th Winter sport in Feussen/GER, 14-21 February | Report approved  |
| 3. | 2nd Indoor Athletics in Sofia/BUL, 17-20 March  | Report approved  |
| 4. | 8th Handball in Palermo/ITA, 17-24 April        | Cancelled        |

\* This tournament attracted only four countries and was admitted by the EDSO-Executive Committee as an exception. Next time there must be five or more countries entering. Sweden proposed reducing to four teams. This must be subject to changes in EDSO-Statutes and therefore need a proposal to next Congress.

There was a short coffee-break and Ole Artmann took the opportunity to keep a short speech in which he thanked the EDSO-Congress for being invited to attend.

### **E: European Championships to be held in 2004**

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| 1. | 8th Basketball in Ljubljana/SLO, 18-26 June  | Preparations ongoing* |
| 2. | 10th Tennis in Pau/FRA, 10-17 July           | Preparations ongoing  |
| 3. | 5th Orienteering in Césic/LAT, 22-28 August  | Preparations ongoing  |
| 4. | 5th Cycling in Landshut/GER, 06-11 September | Preparations ongoing  |

\* Sweden protested against penalty fee of 2.500 Euro for withdrawing men's team in basketball after lottery. Sweden stated that only a preliminary entry was sent in to EDSO-office. The protest is to be dealt with in co-operation with the EDSO-Executive Committee.

It is allowed for EDSO Technical Officer to put up extra events in their sports on the competition programme according to hearing sports rules.

### **07. Election of host countries for following European Championships:**

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|------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2006 | 1st Beach-Volleyball, in September | Antalaya, Turkey      |
| 2006 | 3rd Ski Cup 21-25 February         | Palandoken, Turkey    |
| 2006 | Water polo, dates later            | Hungary               |
| 2007 | 2nd Beach-Volleyball, 16-21 August | Moved to 2008         |
| 2008 | Cycling 07-13 September            | No country interested |
| 2008 | Beach-Volleyball, dates later      | Greece                |
| 2008 | Handball, dates later              | Serbia/Montenegro     |

### **08. Accounts 2002 and 2003 by Treasurer**

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| 2002 | Argyris Fotiou    |
| 2003 | Werner H. Klierer |

There were many questions regarding the support from UEFA and the report of it that were replied to by Treasurers and the EDSO-Executive Committee. Other questions concerned the different debts of member countries.

#### **The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to approve the accounts of 2002-2003 given by Argyris Fotiou and Werner H. Klierer

### **09. Auditing reports of the official auditor Ole Artmann**

Ole Artmann presented a very thoroughly worked out auditing report that was highly appreciated by the EDSO-Congress.

#### **The 12th EDSO-Congress**

Decides to approve the auditing report by Ole Artmann

### **10. Approval of the Accounts 2002-2003**

#### **The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to approve the EDSO Accounts of 2002-2003

### **11. Discharge of the Executive Committee**

#### **The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to approve discharge of the Executive Committee

12. Membership fees 2004-2006

The membership fees were discussed. It was pointed out that it is very important that the member countries really pay their membership fees. In other case the EDSO would be weakened

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to establish the present membership fees presented by the Executive Committee for 2004-2006

13. Appointment of Auditor 2004-2006

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to elect Ole Artmann for Auditor 2004-2006

14. Election of four Executive Committee members for 2004-2008

There were seven candidates presenting their ideas for their work in EDSO-Executive Committee.

The President Arne Lundquist of Swedish Deaf Sports Federation announced the non-support for further candidature of EDSO President Lennart Edwall.

The candidature of Werner H. Kliewer was rejected by the Congress :  
No 36 votes, yes 24 votes

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to elect following persons for the EDSO-Executive Committee for 2004-2008:

Edward Webb, Great Britain	44 votes
Argyris Fotiou, Greece	40 votes
Valeri Rukhledev, Russia	40 votes
Björn Røine, Norway	37 votes

15. Treating of submitted proposals:

a/ Statutes

b/ Regulations

**A: Statutes:**

Cyprus: Reducing number of EDSO EC from eight to six persons

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

Decides to reject Cyprus proposal

Russia: Changing name "Technical Delegate" to "Technical Official"

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

Decides to dismiss Russian proposal as this is already done.

## **B: Regulations**

Austria: Fines back to organising country

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides reject Austrian proposal

Austria: Adding "Snowboard" as a sport discipline

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to leave Austrian proposal to T.O. till next European Championships 2007

Austria: Adding "Alpine Combination" to the down hill events

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to stay positive to Austrian proposal but to leave this to T.O to discuss the format

Belgium: Congress-appointed dates for European Championships must be kept

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

Decides to reject Belgium proposal

Israel: Final registration of players at Technical Meeting

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to dismiss Israel proposal as this is already done

Sweden: Only one and definitive registration form to be used

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to reject Swedish proposal

Switzerland: Four (4) nations instead of five (5) in European Championships

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to reduce number of participating countries to four (4) for handball, ice-hockey and water-polo. At Finland request the EDSO-EC shall investigate possibility of dividing sports into A and B-classes

## 16. Treating of other submitted proposals

Belgium: Requests taking over Volleyball-EC instead of Poland

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to give Volleyball-EC to Belgium 10-19 August 2007

Cyprus: Representatives at European Championships must be deaf

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to urge all member countries sending only deaf as representatives. This is already stated in EDSO-Statutes.

Great Britain: Allow England, Wales, Scotland take part with each team

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to follow decision of the CISS

Great Britain: Start squash competitions for the EDSO

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**

decides to have countries arrange international squash competitions first to check interest

Germany: Interpreter of international sign language co-operates with hearing minute-taker  
**The 12th EDSO-Congress**  
decides to take no stand right now but will try to be flexible in future

Hungary: Wants floor-ball taken up at the official EDSO-EC program  
**The 12th EDSO-Congress**  
decides to have countries arrange international floor-ball competitions first to check interest

Israel: Have the International Deaf Sports Federations arrange the European Championships  
**The 12th EDSO-Congress**  
decides to discuss this matter together with the Swedish proposal

Slovakia: Introduce Junior European Championships in futsal  
**The 12th EDSO-Congress**  
decides to have the EDSO-EC investigate the matter

Sweden: Promotion of International Deaf Specific Sports Federations  
**The 12th EDSO-Congress**  
decides to await discussion and decision at CISS-Congress in Melbourne 2005

Sweden: EDSO proposal with the CISS about EBU for TV-rights and broadcasting  
**The 12th EDSO-Congress**  
decides to propose the CISS to start discussions with the EBU

Sweden: Implementation of a standardized handbook for mass media press centers  
**The 12th EDSO-Congress**  
decides to hand over this task to the EDSO-EC

Turkey: Include Junior European Championships at the EDSO program  
**The 12th EDSO-Congress**  
decides to let organising country decide about invitation. The EDSO-EC recommends international competitions first to find out interest.

17. Seminar for Technical Delegates (Deleted due to lack of time)

18. Record lists, diplomas, record forms (Deleted due to lack of time)

19. Authorisations for international club and country meetings  
EDSO-EC member Bela Panyi presented his ideas about authorisations for international meetings.

**The 12th EDSO-Congress**  
decides to approve the ideas with addition that strict control is needed because many countries do not follow the authorisations including unaffiliated clubs.

20. Tasks of the Technical Officials (Deleted due to lack of time)

21. EDSO-Statistics 2002-2003  
EDSO-EC member Herbert Grill informed that many countries do not send in their statistics to him.  
**The 12th EDSO-Congress**  
decides to urge all countries to send in their statistics to Herbert Grill
22. Location of EDSO-Congress 2006  
**The 12th EDSO-Congress**  
decides to assign Austria to arrange the 13th EDSO-Congress 24-25 August in Vienna in connection with arrangement of European Championships in Badminton
23. Miscellaneous - discussions - final speech  
- Arne Lundquist of Sweden suggests the EDSO-Congress to appoint retiring EDSO-President Lennart Edwall to Honorary Member of the EDSO-EC.  
**The 12th EDSO-Congress**  
decides to wait until further with this nomination
- The President of the Slovenian Deaf Sports Federation, Janez Slatinsek, informed about some practical details regarding closure of the 12th EDSO-Congress.
- The retiring President Lennart Edwall thanked all participants for their active contribution to this successful congress and closed the 12th EDSO-Congress

Minute taker:  
Kjell Gunna

Secretary General  
Isabelle Malaurie

Scrutiniser:  
Carlo Colarossi

Scrutiniser:  
Pavel Stun

Scrutiniser:  
Jan van den Braemhessche

President:  
Lennart Edwall