

# **Sports Assembly Table Tennis Sydney 2000**



# 1. Opening Statements

Mr. Oivind Eriksen,  
ITTC Chairman

## 2. Roll Call

Mr. David Grevemberg  
IPC Director of Sports

## 3. Adoption of the Agenda

Mr. Aksel Beckmann  
Rules & Regulations Officer

# Agenda

- Opening Statements
- Roll Call
- Adoption of the Agenda
- Adoption of the Minutes from the Previous Assembly
- Reports 1996 – 2000

## Agenda (2)

5.1 Chairman

5.2 Technical Delegate Development  
Officer

5.3 Far East Representative / Treasurer

5.4 Classification / Medical Officer

5.5 Tournament Officer

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5.9 Secretary

5.10 Rules and Regulations Officer

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- Motions from the SAEC
- Bids for Future Championships
- Other Relevant Business
- Elections
- Closing



## 4. Adoption of the Minutes from the Previous Assembly

Mr. Oivind Eriksen,  
ITTC Chairman

## 5. Reports 1996 - 2000

Mr. Oivind Eriksen,  
ITTC Chairman

## 5.1 Chairman's report 1996 - 2000

- A new ITTC Rules & Regulations Handbook
- Development of the ITTC World Ranking list
- Established ITTC web-sites
- E-mail access for all ITTC executive members and ITTC co-opted members
- World Championships in Paris, France October 1998
- Regional Championships in all four regions in 1999

## 5.1 Chairman's report 1996 – 2000 (2)

- Increasing number of international sanctioned tournaments
- Increasing number of players, male and female, on the ITTC World Ranking list
- Increasing number of member nations
- Development of new Selection system

## 5.2 Technical Delegate Development Officer's report

- Increasing number of tournaments 1999
- Need for more Technical Delegates
- Education of Technical Delegates –  
Seminars / tests

## 5.3 Far East Representative's report 1996 - 2000

- October 1999 we had 1248 players from 76 countries competing in IPC sanctioned events, of those 302 were from 20 FESPIC member nations.
- 5 qualified Table Tennis classifiers
- Table Tennis first individual sport to have its own Championships in FESPIC.

## 5.3 Far East Representative's report 1996 – 2000 (2)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Hong Kong 1997, 2<sup>nd</sup> Taipei 1999, 3<sup>rd</sup> Osaka 2001, 4<sup>th</sup> China 2003
- To apply for more IPC sanctioned tournaments to give the FESPIC players the opportunities to gain ranking points.
- Training of personnel – The biggest problem is the prerequisite requirement for those person's standard of English.

## 5.3 Treasurer's report 1996 - 2000

- ITTC annually submitted an estimate of expenditures to IPC for funding purpose.
- Please refer to statement as at August 7. 2000. As at today, an approximately amount of US\$ 7,250 is kept in ITTC account



## 5.3 Treasurer's report 1996 – 2000 (2)

- The reimbursement arrangements made with the IPC Treasurer had changed when the IPC Headquarters established in Bonn in September 1999. Improvement on reimbursement to Officers will be made and quarterly statement be provided by IPC office in future.

## 5.4 Classification / Medical Officer's report 1996 - 2000

- **Classification of athletes for tournaments**
  - 660 new athletes; total amount 1058.
  - 14 tournaments were attended by the medical officer

## **5.4 Classification / Medical Officer's report 1996 – 2000 (2)**

- **Preparation of the revision of the classification system**
  - At 6 big tournaments discussions were held.
  - We think that sitting classes can be reduced to 4 and
  - Standing classes totally reviewed.

## 5.4 Classification / Medical Officer's report 1996 – 2000 (3)

### ➤ **Education of classifiers**

- The amount of classifiers increased from 11 to 26
- There are now 40 trainee classifiers
- A classification video is in preparation
- The theoretical material is well accepted but needs better layout.

## 5.5 Tournament Officer's report 1996 - 2000

- Increasing the numbers of tournaments
  - Few in 1996 → 13 in 1998 → 27 in 1999 → 12 in 2000
- Regional championships in 1999
- Training of TDs
- ITTC Tournament Calendar

## 5.6 Selection Officer's report 1996 - 2000

- How was the new selection system born?
- The Principles
- Criterias
- The selection for Sydney
- Selection committee
- The Future

## 5.7 Athletes' Representative's report 1996 - 2000

- To be the voice of all players
- A difficult start
- Huge voluntary work



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- Let's talk
- Tricks & tips
- Men at work!**
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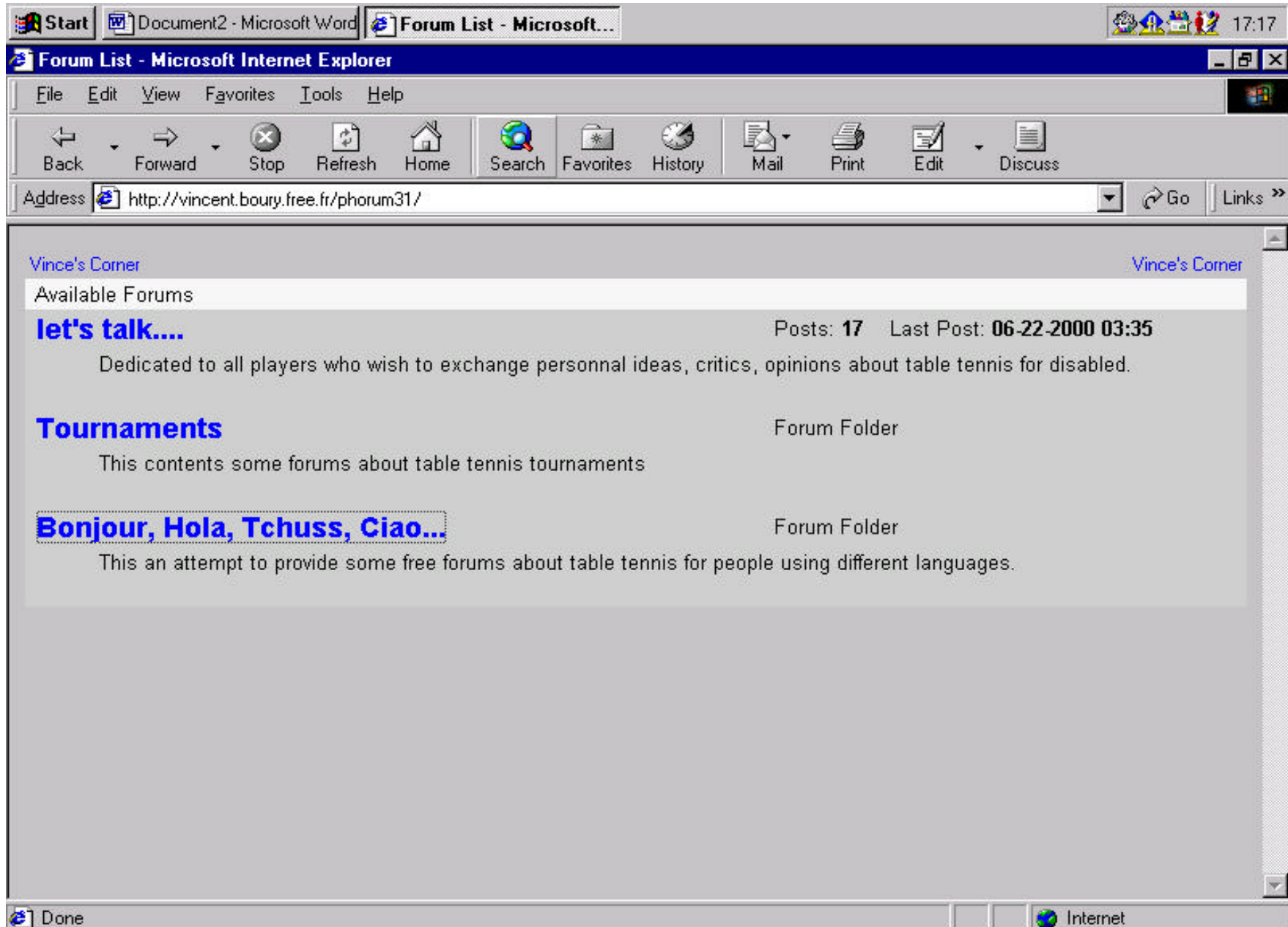


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## 5.7 Athletes' Representative's report 1996 - 2000

- "Men at work"
- Internet Zone
- <http://vincent.boury.free.fr>
- 1<sup>st</sup> international tournament online  
<http://ireland.june2000.free.fr>
- Selection committee
- The argumentative guy...



## 5.7 Athletes' Representative's report 1996 – 2000 (2)

- Increase communication channels between players
- Players task force
- Cooperation with able-bodied players
- ITTC Sub-committee

## 5.8 Pan-Am Representative's report 1996 - 2000

- Regional Championship.
- First Paralympic Panamerican Games; Mexico City, November 1999.
- Less participation than we wished for 2000 USA Open in classifications seminars and coaches seminars
- Organise Training Camp
- Develop Table Tennis

## 5.9 Secretary's report 1996 - 2000

- 1996 – 1999 Marianne was the secretary
- 1997 – 1998 Ranking list per 1.1.1998
- 1998 – 2000 Sanction tournaments
- Application form / Sanction
- Communication
- Newsletter
- Handbook

## 5.10 Rules & Regulations Officer's report 1996 - 2000

- Rewrite the Rules & Regulations
- Serve as the Rules & Regulations interpreter of the disabled Table Tennis
- Appointing Referees
- Developing umpires' seminar

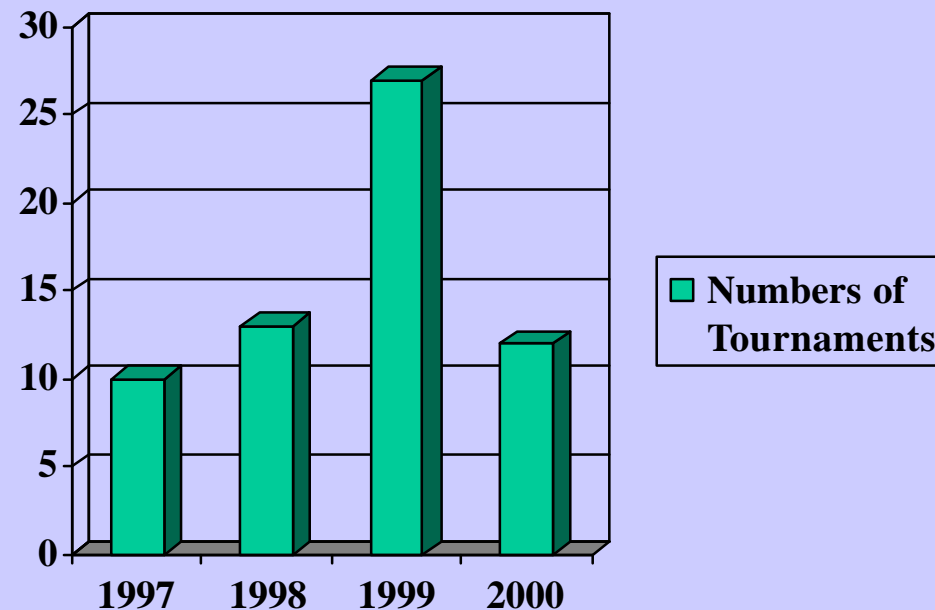
## 5.10 Rules & Regulations Officer's report 1996 – 2000 (2)

- Future
- Development of the Rules & Regulations for the benefit for disabled table tennis throughout the world
- Referee education – Referee Seminars and test
- Sub-committee

## 5.11 Ranking Officer's report 1996 - 2000

➤ Ranking Officer

➤ Dr. Wu





## 5.11 Webmaster's report 1996 – 2000 (2)

- Webmaster.
- Website started in April 1998. Visitors about 45000 times and increasing to about a 100 visitors per day.

## 6. ITTC Goals 2001 - 2004

Mr. Oivind Eriksen,  
ITTC Chairman

# 6. ITTC Goals for 2001 - 2004



## 6. ITTC Goals 2001 – 2004

### Tournaments

- Quality before quantity
- Develop and apply tournament requirements
- Full implemented calendar
- Improve the ranking System
- Improve information ie. tournament-websites
- Publication of TD-reports on web-site

## 6. ITTC Goals 2001 – 2004 Table Tennis Development

- Information flow between players
- Training camps
- Financial- / materiel support
- Workshops
- Education
- Presentation matches at able-bodied WC and Olympics

## 6. ITTC Goals 2001 – 2004

### Improve technical officials

- Education of TDs
- Education of referees
- Education of umpires
- Education of tournament organisers
- Education of classifiers
- Establish seminars in all regions for the above categories.

## 6. ITTC Goals 2001 – 2004

### Improve the Classification system

- Reduce the number of classes to 4 wheelchair classes, review the standing classes and keep 1 intellectual disabled class.
- To co-ordinate the classes with the actual ability of the disabled persons (for fair combining of classes).
- Co-operation regarding classification with INAS-FID.

## 6. Improve the Classification system (2)

- Rewrite the Classification Manual
- Merge ranking and classification database



## 6. Goals 2001 – 2004

### Professional Organisation

- Paid staff in order to increase informationflow and availability of ITTC
- Establish sub-committees to handle the improvement of the technical officials
- Public relations ie. press, web-site, video, photo, ITTC-forum.
- Develop the ITTC-handbook

## 6. Goals 2001 – 2004

### Finance for "the wheel"

- Sponsors
- Funding
- IPC-budget
- IPC-capitation fee
- Equipment fees
- ITTC-capitation fee

# 7. Competition Program 2001 - 2004

Mr. Jiri Danek  
ITTC Tournament Officer

## 7. Competition Program 2001 - 2004

- Top Competitions
- 2002, August WC Taipei, Chinese Taipei
- 2004, September Paralympic Games  
Athens

# 7. Competition Program

## 2001 - 2004

### ➤ **Regions 2001**

➤ Europe July, Frankfurt, Germany

➤ Fespac August, Osaka, Japan

➤ Pan-Am Canada, Brazil or Argentina ???

➤ Africa-Middle East ?

### ➤ **2002 tournaments**

➤ FESPIC Games, Korea

## 7. Competition Program 2001 – 2004 (2)

- **Regions 2003**
- Europe candidates: Croatia, Poland
- Fespac candidate: China
- Pan-Am ?
- Africa-Middle East ?
- The biggest task for the Regional representatives are to get organizers for the regional championships

## 8. Budget 2001 - 2004

Mr. Silas Chiang  
Treasurer & Far East Representative

## 8. ITTC Budget 2001 - 2004

<b>Estimated Income</b>	<b>US \$</b>
IPC Allocation	99,000
IPC Capitation Tax	16,000
ITTC Capitation fee	57,000
Donations / sponsorships	5,000
Bank Interests & Others	13,000
	<b>190,000</b>



## 8. ITTC Budget 2001 – 2004 (2)

<b>Estimated expenditure</b>	<b>US \$</b>
Travel for meetings of ITTC Officer	50,000
Regional Development Program	35,000
Training Program for Technical Officers	36,000
Staff costs	54,000
Others	15,000
	<b>190,000</b>

## 8. ITTC Budget 2001 – 2004 (3)

➤ Balance 1.1.2001	7,000 US\$
➤ Result 2001 – 2004	0 US\$
➤ Balance 31.12.2004	7,000 US\$

## 9. and 10. Motions from Member Organisations and the SAEC

Mr. Aksel Beckmann  
Rules & Regulations Officer

# Motion procedures

- Accept related amendments in writing
- Presentation from the submitter
- Comments from ITTC and recommendation
- Questions for clarification
- Open for discussion
- Motion to carry / reject
- Second

## 9. and 10. Motions from Member organisations and SAEC

Motion to deal with item 9 and 10 together in order to make sure that we deal with related motions in a logical order.

- Ranking
- Classification
- Structure
- Selection
- Others

# Ranking system

**TT2-1** The ranking system can be reviewed every 2 years.

# Ranking system

**TT2- 2** All points of a player are lost and the player is removed from the ranking list after 30 months of inactivity.

# Ranking system

## **Australian NPC:**

Change the ITTC World Ranking System.  
Limit on the number of tournaments from which an athlete can gain world ranking points.



# Ranking system

## **Belgium NPC:**

Only the best results from a number of tournaments (30-20-10 point tournaments) shall be retained.

# Ranking system

**TT2-3** The number of tournaments that are counted into ranking list is limited to 6, 7 or 8.

# Ranking system

## **USA TT1-9**

Doubles matches in the team event and in the Open doubles counts for half of the ranking points in the same way as for singles for each player. The players ranking points are added then split in two and then the winning players gets half of the points each added to their overall ranking.

# Ranking system

**TT2-4** Include doubles matches into ranking points.

# Ranking system

## **USA TT1-7**

The bonus points for the Open singles should be the same as for the highest singles class

# Ranking system

**TT2-5** Reduce bonus points for open medallists.

# Ranking system

**TT2-6** Change definition of W/O (Walk/Over) matches.

# Ranking system

## **USA TT1-8**

By January 1<sup>st</sup> 2001 the ranking is based on the losing players ranking in their category and not the class of the winning player.



# Ranking system

**TT2-7** Change ranking system into a rating system.

# Classification

## **USA TT1-1**

On the classification cards there should be a section indicating what limitations if any player has in making a legal serve.

# Classification

## **USA TT1-2**

In the highest standing class if a player only has an impairment on the non playing arm it has to be severe enough so that the player cannot do a normal toss for the serve.

# Classification

## **USA TT1-3**

In the evaluation of player's classification points for minimal disability a lack of ability to pronate or rotate the forearm in the elbow on the non-playing arm should not accumulate points if the only limitation is in the player's non-playing arm.

# Classification

## **USA TT1-4**

The standing classification system should be a progressive system where current class 7 players should be more severe disabled than class 8. Also class 7 players should be able to be borderline cases in-between class 7 and 8 and not like now class 7 and 10. The current class 7 needs to be changed to follow the progressive system.

# Classification

**TT2-12** The highest class in standing is also a minimum of disability class.

# Classification

## **USA TT1-5**

Strapping is allowed in all classes with no special permission. All straps have to be used during classification and the class is evaluated based on the player's abilities with the straps, and that information goes on the athletes' classification card.

# Classification

**TT2-13** Allow class 1 players with severe limitations in the arm and leg functions to use their feet on the floor.



# Structure

**TT2-9** Change of 1 Membership, 1.1. –  
Bylaws ITTC.

The ITTC shall consist of the  
following executive members:

# Structure

**TT2-9 a.** Chairperson.

**TT2-9 b.** Vice-chairperson.

**TT2-9 c.** Medical Officer.

**TT2-9 d.** Technical Officer.

**TT2-9 e.** Selection Officer.

# Structure

## **TT2-9 f.**

Four regional representatives (Far East and South Pacific, Africa and Middle East, Europe and Americas).

## **TT2.9 g.**

Athletes' representatives, elected by the athletes.

# Structure

## **ISMWSF:**

For the IPC Table Tennis SAEC to establish "Integration Commission" and a position for ITTF representative on the IPC Table Tennis SAEC.

# Structure

## **USA TT1-1:**

Add positions for all approved Table Tennis regions on the IPTTC Executive committee not only for FESPIC and the Americas but in addition also for Europe and Africa/Middle East.

# Structure

## **USA TT1-2**

The regional representative should be voted for at the regional championships starting the year after the Sydney paralympic Games for a 4 year term.

# Selection

## **USA TT1-11**

In the selection rules change the quota to have it 45% selection from the world ranking an 45% from the results of the regional championships and 10% for wild card/team target players.

# Others

**TT2-14** Rules & Regulations can be changed at the Nations Meeting in World Championships as well as at the Table Tennis Assembly at the Paralympic Games.



# Others

## **ISMWSF:**

For the IPC Table Tennis SAEC to address the issue of women in sport with the formulation of strategies which will:

- a.** Maintain and increase participation levels for women in Table Tennis
- b.** Encourage and empower women in all aspects of the sport's management

# Others

## **USA TT1-6**

A concrete floor is approved for play with wheelchair

# Others

## **USA TT1-10**

In World and Paralympic Games the team event for wheelchair and standing men is changed to be 3 men with 5 as a maximum on a team in the same way as the able-bodied team event.

# Others

## **USA TT1-12**

In 30 point tournaments or higher Open doubles is not a mandatory event.

# Others

**TT2-8** Complete with 40 mm table tennis balls in ITTC sanctioned tournaments, starting January 1<sup>st</sup> 2001.

# Others

## **TT2-10** New 4.16 – Bylaws ITTC

Any change in the bylaws will be effective immediately, or from a date the Table Tennis Assembly decides.

# Others

**TT2-11** Team event will be included for class 11 in all 30 – 80 points tournaments.

# 11. Bids for Future Championships

Mr. Oivind Eriksen,  
ITTC Chairman



# 11. Bids for Future Championships

- Bid from Taipei:
- The World Championships 2002
- Oklahoma City:
- The World Team Cup 2002
- For the World Championships 2006

## 12. Other Relevant Business

Mr. Oivind Eriksen,  
ITTC Chairman

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# 13. Elections

Mr. Aksel Beckmann  
Rules & Regulations

# 13. Elections

## **The Nominations**

### ➤ **Chairperson**

Chen, Hong-Lieh, Chinese Taipei (Taiwan)

Lillieros, Christian, USA

# 13. Elections

## **The Nominations**

### ➤ **Member at Large**

Brittain, Ian, ISMWSF

Calin, Raul, Spain

Chiang, Silas, Hong Kong

Christensen, Jesper, Denmark

Danek, Jiri, Czech Republic

# 13. Elections

## **The Nominations**

### ➤ **Member at Large**

Eriksen, Oivind, Norway

Massie, Roger, Australia

Penaud Bernard, France

Teng, Su-Chan, Chinese Taipei (Taiwan)

Verspeelt, Nico, Belgium

# 13. Elections

## **The Nominations**

### **➤ Classification/Medical Officer**

Wu, Erl-M.

The nomination has been withdrawn by the Chinese Taipei Sports Federation for the Disabled.



# 13. Elections by the Athletes

## **The Nominations**

### ➤ **Athletes' representative**

Boury, Vincent, France

Johnson, Jennifer, United States

## 14. Closing

Mr. Oivind Eriksen,  
ITTC Chairman

