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**Minutes of the 87<sup>th</sup> Nordic Combined Committee Online Meeting  
Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022 13:00 hrs CET**

Dear Ski Friends,

We have pleasure sending you today the Minutes of the 87<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Nordic Combined Committee held online on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

You are kindly asked to send any remarks to the FIS Nordic Office in Oberhofen until **30<sup>th</sup> June 2022**.

We would also like to take the opportunity of informing you that the minutes are available on the Member Services section of the FIS Website: [www.fis-ski.com](http://www.fis-ski.com).

Thank you very much for your valuable contribution. We wish you a nice and beautiful summer.

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**INTERNATIONAL SKI FEDERATION  
Nordic Combined Committee**

**Minutes Nordic Combined Committee Meeting  
Online Meeting, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022 13:00 hrs CET**

**AGENDA**

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Members present
3. Approval of the agenda
4. Approval of the minutes of the Nordic Combined Committee Online 30.09.2021
5. Report from season 2021-22
  - Sub-Committee for Officials, Rules and Control
  - Sub-Committee for NC/SJ Youth & Children's Questions
  - FIS World Cup presented by Viessmann
  - FIS Continental Cup
  - FIS Youth-Cup
  - Equipment control
  - Other important reports
6. New proposals "Funnel System" discussion and decisions
  - Rules
  - Calendars
7. Proposals to the FIS Council
8. TD Nominations
9. Other items arising
10. Next meetings
  - FIS Autumn meetings 2022 in Zurich (SUI)

**All proposals and decisions of the Nordic Combined Committee are subject to the approval of the FIS Council in its online meeting, 22.05.2022 (tbc)**

**1. Opening of the Meeting**

The Chair Horst Hüttel (GER) welcomed all members and guests to the 87<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Nordic Combined Committee.

**Appointment of a Secretary**

Sophie Hargesheimer (FIS) was appointed to be secretary.

<b>2. Members Present</b>	<b>Nation</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
Ait Ouarchikh Hicham	MAR	
Back Eriksson Ulrika	SWE	
Bukovnik Janez	SLO	Excused
Chashchyn Leonid	BLR	not present
Chudy Peter	SVK	
Dubrovsky Dmitry	RUS	
Kaplan Necati	TUR	not present
Kempf Hippolyt	SUI	
Lee Jaehong	KOR	not present
Michalczuk Jakub	POL	
Samburgado Sandro	ITA	
Slavik Tomas	CZE	
Tahk Suzanne	EST	
Vervevkin Andrey	KAZ	
Woolsey Jim	CAN	
Fossheim Edgar	NOR	
Sato Tomoki	JPN	
Demong Bill	USA	
Chashchyn Leonid	BLR	
Chudy Peter	SVK	
Woolsey Jim	CAN	
HÜTTEL Horst	Chair	
SATO Tomoki JPN	Executive Board	
DEMONG Bill, USA	Executive Board	
LAZZARONI Erik, FRA	Executive Board	Excused
PELKONEN Jyri FIN	Executive Board	
FOSSHEIM Edgar	Executive Board	
CSAR Günter AUT	for S.C. NC for Rules & Control	
HEROLA Ilkka FIN	for Athletes' Commission	Excused
LEINAN LUND Mari NOR	for Athletes' Commission substituted by Thea Øihagen	
HAIM Harald AUT	Ex officio for Youth & Children's questions	
ULVANG Vegard NOR	Ex officio for Cross-Country	not present
KOJONKOSKI, Mika FIN	Ex officio for Ski Jumping	not present
STARK Jacqueline AUT	Substitutes Virginia De Martin Topranin, Ex officio for Women's Nordic Disciplines	

Aarhus Harald	Honorary Member	not present
Günther Werner	Honorary Member	not present
Klinga Esa	Honorary Member	not present
Lamb Joe	Honorary Member	not present
Weinbuch Helmut	Honorary Member	not present
OTTESEN Lasse	FIS Race Director	
GRAVE Jan Rune	FIS Assistant Race Director	
KRAUS Guntram	FIS Coordinator / Equipment Controller	
LÖSCHER Kerstin	FIS Equipment Controller	
NEUMAYER Michael	FIS COC Coordinator	
HARGESHEIMER Sophie	FIS Media Coordinator	
NAPPEY Madeline	FIS Nordic Assistant	
ASCHHOFF Josephine	FIS Nordic Assistant	

**Guests:**

**Chika Yoshida, FIS Race Director Ski Jumping Women**

Philippe Gueisbuhler, FIS

Ulf Seehase, FIS IT

Stefan Distel, FISMAG

Benjamin Flohr, Swiss Timing

Federico Margini, Infront

Alexander Emde, Infront

Filip Grabowski, Infront

Cristina Bellante, OC VdF

Fidel Joas, OC Oberstdorf

Florian Stern, OC Oberstdorf

Hans Schmid, OC Oberstdorf

Angi Wiartalle, OC Oberstdorf

Etienne Gouy, FRA

Jukka Tahkola, FIN

Maximilian Obergruber, AUT

Etienne Gouy replaces Erik Lazzaroni for France

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda was sent out on 31.03.2022. The Committee approved the agenda.

**4. Approval of the Minutes of the Nordic Combined Committee online meeting, 30.09.2021**

The minutes were sent out on 21.10.2021. The Committee approved the minutes.

**5. Reports from the past season**

Season reports World Cup 2021/22:

- Sub-Committee Women Nordic disciplines

Jacqueline Stark:

Our last meeting was held on 09.05.22 during which a presentation by Dimitrije

Lazarovski in how to achieve the goal to get more women into Nordic sports was given.

The main topic of the SC will be implementing mentor programs or “Women’s seminars” to create role models. IBU already has this program which can be used as a base. The perspectives have to be made visible, to show women what opportunities they have as an athlete, coach or at FIS

Horst Hüttel:

We hope that the IOC will make a good decision in June about the Olympic future of the NC Women. If not, we still have the possibility to work on their implementation on the World Cup level.

Lasse Ottesen:

I was present in the Sub-Committee meeting and it is important to work on female Officials like coaches and FIS staff. More female representatives are needed in general. Their work is very important for our entire discipline

#### Sub-Committee for Officials, Rules and Control

Günter Csar:

The report has been sent out a few weeks ago. The TD seminar took place in person in Oberstdorf in October 2021 and was very well received by all participants thanks to the organizers in Oberstdorf.

There were many challenges due to Covid in the beginning of the season. Günter thanks all TDs who were available on short notice. Also during the OWG changes had to be made. Thanks to Andrea Roggia and Jonas Würth for their work. Thanks to Ulf Seehase for the implementation of the new TD program. Thanks to Madeline Nappey and Josephine Aschhoff in the FIS Office.

Lasse Ottesen:

Thanks to Günther Csar for his support and work during a challenging season and the great cooperation with the SJ team.

#### Sub-Committee for NC/SJ Youth & Children’s Questions

Harald Haim:

Last season was a bit more “normal” than the 2020/21 season and all competitions could be held. The most important part is the increase of the NC women. However there was a decrease of women (-10%) at the JWSC. We hope to have the numbers more stable in the next season

We experienced issues at EYOF with the data system and we have to learn from this and to use more up-to-date technology in the future.

The “New Star Trophy” will be implemented in SJ as a support of young athletes from smaller nations. We also have to make the FIS hill certificate process easier. Calendar for 2022/23 season is set and full of competitions with two big events: EYOF (Planica and Italy), JWSC (Whistler/CAN).

Horst Hüttel:

There is a change of SGP from Oberhof to Oberwiesenthal and Wouth Cup is not possible in Oberwiesenthal.

Lasse Ottesen:

It is very important to have Youth events for the future of our discipline and the

future generations of our discipline needs to be supported.

#### FIS World Cup presented by Viessmann

Lasse Ottesen:

The Reports have been sent out. It was another challenging season due to Covid. However, only one event had to be cancelled in Planica/SLO. Thanks to all NSAs for their support.

We had very low infection numbers in general, due to the OCs following the strict rules. Thanks to the teams for their support and for following the protocol

Our fantastic sport was presented including an exciting final in Schonach/GER.

We had a full calendar for the NC women incl. 10 different nations on the podium.

We hope for more variety in the winners as well in the future.

We saw an almost complete season for the NC men, with Riiber breaking the Individual victory record and writing history. 18 different athletes from 6 nations reached the podium

During the OWG, a great team work from FIS staff and jury was done during difficult situations. Thanks to the Beijing OC. Hats off to Eric Frenzel for his selfless dedication during the team event

We had great finals in Schonach/GER including both genders and one of the most exciting finals with Riiber and Lamparter being only 1pt apart

#### - Infront presentation

Federico Margini:

Thanks to everyone for their support during a difficult season.

The Men's TV viewership reached a total of 86.77 million viewers. (No Austrian competitions in the charts due to the TV rights)

An overview of all competitions and a comparison to the last two seasons was presented. Otepää Mass Start had an overlapping with Biathlon on Sunday, therefore lower numbers in the SJ part. Some races were not broadcasted live in Germany (big market). The Women's TV viewership reached a total of 19.36 million viewers. In Val Di Fienne, the CC starting time was the same as Alpine, therefore less viewers appear.

If men and women are together, it helps the numbers of the women.

Events in Germany have in general better viewing numbers.

Regarding the market share: we see rising numbers in Austria due to Lamparter's performances. The biggest market is in Finland (45.1%) in the men's market, and for Women, Norway represents the biggest market (18.6%) due to Gyda Westvold Hansen.

Covid still has effects on the overall numbers.

Horst Hüttel:

Question to Federico Margini: Are you satisfied with the numbers especially with the NC women? In SJ we needed a lot more time to get these views and were not able to do that in the first season.

Federico Margini:

Last season only one event took place, this season, a full calendar was presented. In the beginning we didn't know if the broadcasters even had time for the additional races. In the end not all races were broadcasted, but we can be satisfied with the highlights etc. shown

Lasse Ottesen:

Especially for the women the positive trend is great. The Mass Start results were

well received which is a good input for our planning. Our goal for the future is to avoid overlapping with other highlights in the future.

## - **Media report**

Sophie Hargesheimer:

### Media Communication

- 46 emails sent (incl. SGP and OWG)
- 23K total emails sent to 518 (+4%) journalists

### Website

- 146 articles published
- 26 News, 20 Interviews, 14 Previews, 86 Competition reports

### Newsletter

- sent by Lukas Brawand weekly with highlights of each discipline

### Social Media

- +219% growth on Facebook reach
- +39% growth on Instagram reach
- Less “classic” content (-24%), more stories (+95%)
- High engagement (shares, likes etc.) boosted the reach

### Follower

Total of 35K followers on all channels

- +5% on Facebook
- +7% on Instagram
- +9% on Twitter
- +17% on YouTube

### Engagement

Best engagement rate of all FIS disciplines

- +262% on Facebook
- +61% on Instagram
- +27% on Twitter

### Most engaging posts

- Facebook: Gyda W. Hansen video (155K reach, 2.3K engagements)
- Instagram: Vinzenz Geiger OWG (10K impressions, 1.2K likes)
- Twitter: Women’s CC race Schonach (141K impressions, 2.2K engagement)

### Media Operations

#### TV Interviews

- approx. 190 TV interviews
- Average of 5 per competition plus PCR
- 2-4 Pre-Feed/Opening
- 1 leader after SJ
- 1 winner interview

#### Press Conferences

- Two season opening press conferences held
- Men (online)
- Women (athletes onsite, journalists online) in Lillehammer/NOR

WhatsApp

Main communication tool during the season

- Info, delays, postponements etc.
- Audio statements Top 3
- Max. 256 members (More requests during OWG)

Lasse Ottesen:

Thanks to Sophie Hargesheimer for the great work during her first season. Also Covid-wise, thanks for the support of the FIS staff, teams and OCs.

### FIS Continental Cup

Michael Neumayer:

It was a very long, but great season incl. JWSC.

The new accommodation quota for the payments from 4+2 to 3+1 to support the OCs was implemented. It will go further down to 2+1 to support also the NC women events.

The premier of Women's TS took place in Lillehammer/NOR (originally Rena.

Thanks to Madeline Nappey for the support in Zakopane/POL during the JWSC. There were troubles due to the political situation, but all competitions could take place.

The numbers of women at the JWSC are on the same level, but RUS couldn't take part due to the political situation.

Thanks to Kerstin Löscher, Anja Tepes and the SJ colleagues for their support with equipment control. Thanks to the OCs and teams. Thanks to Jan Rune Grave, Guntram Kraus and Sophie Hargesheimer for their support during the season

Lasse Ottesen:

Thanks to Michael Neumayer for his support and great work during the season

Philippe Gueisbuhler joined our conversation.

Philippe Gueisbuhler:

I have a lot of great souvenirs from the OWG with great pictures and memories.

Thanks to everyone in this call for amazing work during a difficult season. Covid forced us to show patience and courage, especially on the way to the OWG.

We had many new staff members like Madeline Nappey and Sophie Hargesheimer who were thrown in at a difficult time.

Both said they felt welcomed from the first day on, which shows the great atmosphere in our FIS family. FIS is more than a name, all of you are FIS and it is the people that make the difference. I am looking forward to meet in person during the FIS fall meetings (last week of September 2022).

Horst Hüttel:

Thanks to Philippe Gueisbuhler for the support. We are not the biggest discipline and we appreciate your engagement

Question to Philippe Gueisbuhler: The important IOC decision is ahead. What is you feeling regarding their decision?

Philippe Gueisbuhler:

We still have high hopes that we can succeed with our proposal. We told the IOC: Your goal is gender equality and we only have this one request to reach the equality with all FIS disciplines. Their answer as simple: Gender equality can be reached in two ways. Letting the women join or letting the men go.



NC is a historical and important discipline for us, so we will fight. But the ball is in our hands now to improve until 2026, where we will still be on the program with the men. We need a clear strategy to improve the discipline over the next years. Maybe hard decisions will be needed in the future to add value to the sport. Unfortunately NC is on the very bottom of the value at the OWG. We have to put all our energy into creating an attractive product since we are competing not only with other FIS disciplines, but also with other Federations. The quota is fixed, but we then have to cut the quota from other FIS disciplines as well. It's not all negative, but there is an opportunity here to improve.

*5 min break. Lasse Ottesen continued the meeting at 14:50.*

### Equipment control

Guntram Kraus:

It was not an easy season. I had a clear guideline set for myself that was also shared with Michael Neumayer and Kerstin Löscher.

There were less DSQ during the season, since we offered pre-testing to the teams, especially during the highlights (OWG, JWSC). Thanks to the teams/athletes for their trust that has been created over the last years.

We made weight measurements at every venue. The development goes to lighter athletes (-2kg compared to 2018/19 season). We have to think about an adjustment of the BMI in the future, f.e. 14cm shorter skis.

We see a stable weight at the NC women, which is a good sign.

The decision to continue with the EQC Coordination group was made.

A second EQC controller during the entire WC season is needed (Kerstin and Guntram)

We had great insights during a COC weekend in Klingenthal/GER with Michael Neumayer. He needs more support, f.e. from the National TD.

An EQC for the COC women is needed, who can also support during the CC race.

Lasse Ottesen:

Thanks to Guntram Kraus for your great work and cooperation with SJ

## **6. New proposals “Funnel System” discussion and decisions**

Funnel Feedback:

The funnel was sent out on 15.04.22, with a deadline on 10.05.22

- 13 Nations replied in time (AUT, CAN, CZE, FRA, EST, NOR, POL, HUN, SWE, KAZ, ITA, NOR, JPN)

- 3 nations replied late (GER, SLO, RUS)

- 6 nations haven't replied yet (SUI, USA, FIN, CHN, MAR, TUR)

## **7. Proposals to the FIS Council**

### **Prize money SGP Men and Women**

- From 12.000 CHF in 2023 to 14.000 CHF in 2026 for the men

- From 3.000 CHF in 2023 to 7.500 CHF in 2026 for the women

15 nations in favor. 1 nation  
against (CAN).

Horst Hüttel:

In four years 4.000 CHF are a lot

Lasse Ottesen:  
It is in favor of the sport to raise the money now

### **Prize money FIS WC Women**

From 16.000 CHF in 2023 to 25.000 CHF in 2026

15 nations in favor. 1 nation  
against (CAN).

Lasse Ottesen:  
There is a higher percentage raise for the women than for the men, the reason is to get closer in the overall difference in prize money.  
The goal for the future is an equal prize money at the 2030 OWG.

### **Prize money FIS WC Men**

From 35.000 CHF in 2023 to 40.000 CHF in 2026

15 nations in favor. 1 nation  
against (CAN)

Lasse Ottesen:  
Still lowest prize money of all Nordic disciplines

### **PCR including qualification**

The PCR will no longer function as qualification, therefore the number of participants will not be reduced to 50 for the Individual competitions on a weekend.

16 nations in favor.

Lasse Ottesen:  
The reason behind this is that we lose nations through the qualification and there is no huge TV issue between 50 and 55 athletes. If more than 60 athletes are on start, we have to deal with the situation in due time

### **Ski Flying rules**

- Meter value of 0.6 pts/m on hills with K-points above 180.
- 10 km CC race after one Ski Flying competition round

Lasse Ottesen:  
Some simulations were done. Thanks to Horst Hüttel for the first Ski Flying training in Oberstdorf/GER. We heard very positive feedback from the SJ colleagues. Wind/Meter value will be based on the 1.2pts/m value from SJ. The athletes allowed to start will be the Top 30 Best Jumper trophy.

Tomas Slavik:

Question to Lasse Ottesen: Who is allowed to start in the Ski Flying competition? Top 30 Best Jumpers is okay, but we would use a lot of nations and it will be difficult to get 8 nations.

Lasse Ottesen:

The Sub-Committee and Executive Board discussed about it. We would have 9 nations based on last season's results. Safety is the highest priority for the first event therefore the decision was made to stick to the Top 30 of the Best Jumper Trophy.

Tomas Slavik:

Some nations only have one athlete in the Top 30 (FIN, EST) and if they are sick or not on start it is not enough nations.

Lasse Ottesen:

We can put it on the table again for the fall meetings as of course it is important to have enough nations on start.

Horst Hüttel:

Maybe Günter Csar, member of the Sub-Committee has an opinion about this?

Günther Csar:

We made a proposal to add one athlete per nation, who's not in the Top 30 but in the end we agreed on the Top 30 of the Best Jumper Trophy. Of course we can discuss this rule again after the first competition and can update it, if necessary.

Horst Hüttel:

If we let it totally open and somebody crashes, we have to justify ourselves why they were allowed to start. In women's SJ only the top 15 are allowed in the Raw Air tour Ski Flying, it is not a WC, but it is about collecting experiences. We do not need crashes like Daniel-Andre Tande in Planica/SLO last season, so we should rather be more careful in the beginning. This needs to be discussed again after the first event.

Lasse Ottesen:

We have to focus on safety and quality to present our event in the best way possible.

Jan-Rune Grave:

I would like to support Horst Hüttel's comment. Only 15 athletes are allowed in SJ Women. It is our first event and we need to make it safe before we can evaluate more athletes in the future.

*15 nations in favor. 1 nation against*

### **Wind & Gate system**

- Increase tail wind compensation from 21% to 50%
- Confirmed in the SJ Equipment Committee and SJ Committee

Jan-Rune Grave:

The system has been the same since 2013. Through last season me and my

colleagues from SJ felt that it needs an update. The gate compensation is where we want it to be and the head wind compensation is also close to where we want it to be. This is not the case for the tail wind compensation, due to Equipment fine tuning. The compensation is not representing the actual disadvantage on the hill.  
The SJ Committee confirmed the proposal and we are following this change.

Lasse Ottesen:

The final decision will be made in the fall. Our athletes are suffering even more in tail wind than the special jumpers.

Jan-Rune Grave:

It is a step in the right way, especially for the NC women.

### **Rule update skis**

- The ski tip may be individually modified as long as it remains symmetric and centered to the middle part and that the minimum distance to the surface ground of 30 40 mm is observed.
- When the ski is pushed to the surface at the point of 57% of the ski length 200 mm from the tip (whole surface of the ski must be placed in the flat surface). Ski tip must be curved. The depth of the curve must be minimum 3.5 mm within 120 mm from the ski tip.

Guntram Kraus:

There were long discussion about a ski update after Domen Prevc's crash in Oberstdorf/GER. The decision of the SJ committee to ban the flat ski tip.

### **Rule update suits**

New cutting of front seam:

- Less possibilities to play with this area  
"Starting from the waist seam, the size of the panels must be equal front and back."
- Possible to measure with the template.

Intersection of seams at the crotch must be the lowest point of the suit.

- Front seam must go 3 cm to the front from the intersection of the crotch seams and back seam 5 cm to the back from the intersection of the crotch seams. Intersection of the crotch seams must always be the lowest part.

Without the belt:

- Tolerances MEN: At least 1 2 cm in addition and a maximum of 3 4 cm to the body at any part of the suit.
- Tolerances WOMEN: At least 2 cm in addition and a maximum of 4 cm to the body at any part of the suit.
- Tolerance Nordic Combined: At least 3 cm in addition and a maximum of 5 cm to the body at any part of the suit.
  
- Crotch length will be total body height minus sitting height
- For example: Body height 182 cm / Sitting height 95 cm
- $182 - 95 = \text{Crotch } 87\text{cm}$

Guntram Kraus:

We made an agreement with SJ to take out the belt measurement as a new system for measuring the athletes was needed. Thanks to Harald Haim who came up with

this new way of measuring. Some tests will be done during SGP like in SJ.

Horst Hüttel:

Thanks to Guntram Kraus for his work last season, there were a lot of troubles regarding EQC, especially in SJ. With a good communication between him and the teams it was not the case in NC. It is new that NC helps SJ in case of rules, but his expertise was needed. The reglement has to be the same next season.

Guntram Kraus:

SGP will be a good test phase for both disciplines.

Tomas Slavik:

Question to Guntram Kraus: No belt and new measurements before the SGP?

Guntram Kraus:

Yes, one new suit has to be prepared with the new measurements. We have an EQC meeting in the end of May and more updates will follow afterwards.

Lasse Ottesen:

Thanks to Guntram Kraus for his involvement and great cooperation with SJ.

Tomas Slavik:

Question to Guntram Kraus: What about the boot changes?

Guntram Kraus:

Old boots can still be used. if you order new ones, the producers will send you the corrected ones. No other changes were made.

## **Calendars**

### **FIS Nordic Combined Summer Grand Prix 2023 Men & Women**

Lasse Ottesen:

We have three venues in Germany and Austria, the Mixed Team will start the SGP in Oberwiesenthal/GER.

Günter Csar:

Question: Start in Oberwiesenthal/GER with an Individual and end with the Mixed team?

Horst Hüttel:

The OC wants to race on the Fichtelberg again and more spectators can be expected at this race on Sunday.

We can leave the details open and discuss the proposal one more time.

Guntram Kraus:

The ideas are not fixed.

Lasse Ottesen:

Question to Günter Csar: A Silvaretta uphill race as the final was planned in Tschagguns/AUT. Is this still an option?

Günter Csar:

It is still in discussion, no confirmation yet.

Horst Hüttel:

There are training possibilities in Oberstdorf for all teams (roller ski track etc.) and a coaches meeting on Tuesday is planned in Oberstdorf. It could be a full NC week including training and meetings

### **FIS Nordic Combined Youth Cup 2022/23 Men & Women**

Horst Hüttel:

It is not possible to hold the YC in Oberhof/GER this year, due to Biathlon preparations the cable car in Oberwiesenthal is not reliable, therefore a YC there with 200 athletes can be dangerous.

Proposal: is YC in Tschagguns/AUT possible?

Lasse Ottesen:

We got the info from Horst Hüttel yesterday and AUT NSA was contacted today.

Günter Csar:

The goal for the summer YC is to have it at the same time as the SGP we are in contact with the Tschagguns OC. The confirmation will follow next week

Florian Stern:

We are happy to welcome NC back. We have to talk about arrival times as soon as possible as the planning of accommodation and training facilities needs to be done.

Lasse Ottesen:

The details will be discussed next week.

Question to Tomas Slavik: Is Harrachov/CZE still on for the YC in January?

Tomas Slavik:

Yes. The event is confirmed.

### **FIS Nordic Combined Continental Cup 2022/23 Men & Women**

Lasse Ottesen:

There are still many "stars" because final confirmations are needed. We had a good cooperation with SJ regarding dates. With a great first period for the NC women to be able to start in the WC afterwards.

A solution needs to be found with Planica/Tervisio, otherwise it's an open weekend.

Günter Csar:

Question to Lasse Ottesen: Update to a 7.5km in Rena possible for the women? Not as a final, only one jump.

Lasse Ottesen:

Yes, the change will be made.

Michael Neumayer:

Thanks to Germany for the possibility to have a competition there. We are in contact with Ruka/FIN regarding the dates. Sunday will be the day in Rena/NOR to do the test event of the 7.5km for the women. Maybe another TS will be possible as well, since it's been a great success last time

Lasse Ottesen:

A weekend in Park City/USA would be great, Lake Placid is eager to host another NC event.

Bill Demong:

On Jan 11 – 22. Universiade will happen, confirmation will be done in the next weeks.

Ulf Seehase:

Question to Lasse Ottesen: A discussion about the name “Gundersen” came up. Will it still be used during the season or will there be changes?

Lasse Ottesen:

We had the discussion in the Sub-Committee. In the rules it says “Gundersen” and it will stay like this in the systems but on the calendars we will change it to only “Individual”.

Horst Hüttel:

Question to Lasse Ottesen: Is the weekend of the 7./8.1. still open? We could maybe change to this date with the German event.

Lasse Ottesen:

Yes, the weekend in January is still open but it would only be men not women, because they're in Otepää for WC, it is open for any organizer.

Michael Neumayer:

As many competitions for women as possible would be great and staying at the original event would be better.

### **FIS Nordic Combined World Cup 2022/23 Women**

Lasse Ottesen:

We are in discussion with Norway to host a final for the women in Holmenkollen. With SJ event in Midtstuen on Thursday and race on Saturday. Receiving the King's Trophy would be a great honor for our NC women

Michael Neumayer:

For info, every female athlete can go to Seefeld/AUT and to the JWSC afterwards.

Lasse Ottesen:

Taking part in both is very important for the women.

### **FIS Nordic Combined World Cup 2022/23 Men**

Lasse Ottesen:

There are some changes of starting times due to the FIFA Worldcup. We are very happy to be back in France with maybe a Nordic event in the coming years together with SJ women.

The HS in Oberstdorf will be confirmed later, since Ski Flying is still on the table. Thanks to OC Schonach for hosting the event in February although it's in the middle of the very hectic “Fasnet” time.

Sandro Sambugaro:

Two FIS Camps together with Bernie Schödler are being organized with competitions planned for all participants: It is a great way for smaller nations to get to know the sport and for us to support

Jan-Rune Grave:

This topic is very important. We need to understand the serious situation we are in

with our discipline. We need to show that we are developing, especially the number of nations. Those camps will be very important for smaller nations to learn about SJ and NC. Making the NC family bigger will give value to the sport. Thanks to everyone involved in those development camps

Lasse Ottesen:

Kristjan Ilves took part in the camp in Val di Fiemme. It proves that it's possible to make it to the World Cup even from a smaller nation

Horst Hüttel:

-Question to Sandro Sambugaro: A camp in Bad Freienwalde/GER is planned. Does only FIS organize it or will the German Ski Federation need to support?

Sandro Sambugaro:

FIS organizes everything, the German Ski Federation doesn't have to do anything.

Horst Hüttel:

We would like to support. Is there a list of "smaller nations"?

Sandro

The smaller nations are: Slovakia, Hungary, Latvia, Estonia, Ukraine, Belarus, Georgia, Korea

Jan-Rune Grave:

The focus is to give every nation the chance to start in our sport. The teams pay for the travel themselves, everything else is covered by the FIS fund but the support from the German Ski Federation would be very appreciated.

Lasse Ottesen:

A Nordic coordination for long term planning is ongoing. We have proposals until 2026 at the moment.

Regarding the WSC 2025 in Trondheim, an application for a 2<sup>nd</sup> Individual format for the women (Mass Start) was done.

All agreed proposals will be sent to FIS Council for final approval.

## **8. TD Nominations**

EYOF 2023 Tarvisio / Planica (ITA-SLO)

TD: Jirasek Stanislav (CZE)

TDA: Sokolova Margarita (LAT)

UNIVERSIADE 2023 Lake Placid (USA)

TD: Pelkonen Jyri (FIN)

TDA: tbc

JWSC 2024 Planica (SLO)

TD: Sørli Rune (NOR)

TDA: Köhler Daniel (GER)

Youth Olympic Games 2024 Gangwon (KOR)

TD: Simic Branco (SLO)

TDA: Toru Maruta (JPN)



## 9. Other items arising

Lasse Ottesen:

A Development Camp in is planned in September.

The Fluor Ban will valid for season 2022-23. The machine is tested and approved, an ICR 200 general rule will be made. Each discipline has to define specific rules. Nordic Disciplines will coordinate to come with a proposal for the fall meetings. Nordic Combined Wax Technicians are invited to a test week in Ramsau/AUT (week 24), together with IBU.

The first tests were done in Sweden and Norway, and more tests are planned during the summer.

Tomas Slavik:

Question to Lasse Ottesen: Is the fluor testing already happening next season?

Lasse Ottesen:

No fluor is allowed next season and we hope to find a practical way to implement the testing for everyone involved.

The Ewoxx contract is valid until 2023 in COC. We are looking at the flat rate system, since it "hurts" the smaller nations. FIS management would like to extend the contract to 2024 (like SJ) to allow all data suppliers to start bidding for the 2024/25 season

*All in favor of this proposal*

Horst Hüttel:

Fluor discussion still goes on and I agree with the Ewoxx contract extension.

Lasse Ottesen:

Especially in CC more discussion can be expected, regarding Ewoxx, other companies would like to get in, but it helps contract wise to extend it for one more year to end on the same date as SJ.

Committee approved the extension of the Ewoxx contract until 2024.

## 10. Next meetings

FIS Autumn meetings 2022 will take place in Zurich (SUI).

Host Hüttel:

Question to Lasse Ottesen: Is there a concrete date for the fall meetings?

Madeline Nappey:

It will be the last week of September (26.9. – 2.10.22), no day is confirmed yet.

Horst Hüttel:

Thanks to Lasse Ottesen. The road is clear for the next season, with the highlight of the WSC in Planica/SLO.

We haven't talked about Covid during this meeting and we hope to keep it this way.

Hope to see all of you again during the SGP.

Chairman Horst Hüttel closed the meeting at 16:35.

