

To the
Members of the Alpine Youth & Children's Sub-Committee
- Janez Dekleva, Chair of the Children's Race Organisers Group
- Rudi Huber, Executive Director, SRS

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Oberhofen, 24.05.2025

Minutes of the FIS Alpine Sub-Committee for Youth & Children's Questions meeting

Dear Ski Friends:

Thank you very much for your valuable contribution to our meeting.

Please find enclosed minutes of the meeting of the Alpine Youth and Children's Sub-Committee. You are kindly asked to send any remarks to these minutes to the FIS Office (flere@fisski.com) within two weeks.

May I take this opportunity to wish you a successful winter to those members from the Southern Hemisphere and a safe summer to all in the Northern Hemisphere.

Kindest regards,



Chairman
Stefan Johnsen Havnelid
S.C. Youth & Children's Questions



Janez Flere
Alpine Technical Coordinator

INTERNATIONAL SKI AND SNOWBOARD FEDERATION
Sub-Committee for Alpine Youth & Children's Questions

Minutes of the 42nd Meeting Sub-Committee for Youth & Children's Questions
Tuesday, 06.05.2025, 14:00 – 16:00hrs. Hotel Tivoli Marina, Vilamoura, (POR)

1. Welcome, opening of the meeting and Roll Call of Members present

Stefan Johnsen Havelid (NOR), Chairman, welcomed; Ken Read (former Chair, Alpine Committee Honorary Member), Janez Flere (FIS). The Chair of the Y&C CROC, Janez Dekleva (SLO) and all members and guests to the meeting.

Members Present:

Harald KIRCHMAIR (AUT, Vice Chair) Martin BEGINO (ARG); Derek BOLGER (IRL); Alison BOMBARDIER (AUS); Igor BORISOV (KGZ); Herbert COOL (NED); Paolo DEFLORIAN (ITA); Janez DEKLEVA (SLO, FIS CROC Chair); Genta DOMI HOXHA (KOS) Dinars DORSS (LAT); Andreas ERTL (GER); Pedro FARROMBA (POR); Tobias FELLMAN (SWE); Gian Luca GATTI (SMR); Pascal HASLER (LIE); Jaana KARHILARASAANEN (FIN); Chip KNIGHT (USA); Olga KRIZOVA-CHARVATOVA (CZE); Christophe LEMEIRE (BEL); Philippe MARTIN (FRA); Martyna MITAL (POL); Akira MORI (JPN); Nini NINUA (GEO); Jacques PASTOR (MON); Michal RAJCAN (SVK); Igor SLJUKA (BIH); Jeff THOMPSON (CAN); Carles VISA (AND); Ivan VUCINIC (CRO); Werner ZURBUCHEN (SUI).

Replacing absent members:

Thomas JACOBSEN for Kenneth BOEGGILD (DEN); Juli SALA for Carolina RUIZ (ESP) BOZIC Milan for Srdjan SABANOVIC (SRB); Paul TRAINER for Jennifer SHUTE (GBR)

SRS: Rudi HUBER (AUT), excused

FIS Staff: Janez FLERE; Jordi PUJOL; Wim ROSSEL; Peter GERDOL

Athlete Health Unit AHU: Geri MITTERBAUER.

Other guests:

Massimo RINALDI (ITA, Chair Alpine Committee), Elena GAJA, (ITA Chair Alpine Courses), Roger VIDOSA (AND) Robert NORWOOD (IRL), Anne O'CONNOR (IRL) Alexandra ZEMSAUER (AUT); Jacqueline STARK (AUT); Edin DURIC (BIH); Leon SVETLIN (KSA); Josef ZINGERLE (ITA); Franz HOFER (SUI); Dong CAMFUL (CAN); Lao IKOVHOR (UKR); Sue SCHWARTZ (CAN) Luca BERTI (ITA); Aron BARBAI (HUN) Ingrid JACQUEMOD (FRA); Consuelo MARQUARDT (CHI); Hannes KROSS (ITA); Marta KOVI (ITA); Moritz Demetz (ITA); Copelo MARCELLO (ITA); Pascal HASLER (LIE); Sophie CLIVAZ (SUI) Lourine DEPRES (SUI); Pedro FLAVIO (POR); Sergo FIGUEIREDO (POR); Ivan BONACALZA (ARG); Rebecca DAYTON (USA) Darryl LANDSTROM (USA), Janka GANTNEROVA (SVK).

2. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda was approved.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the 41st meeting held 25.09.2024 in Zurich (SUI)

Minutes were approved with no comments.

4. Reports from Special Groups

4.1. Equipment/SRS

Report from SRS: Rudi Huber was excused from the meeting. The report was included in the presentation from Geri Mitterbauer (FIS Athlete Health Unit)

4.2. FIS Children's Race Organisers Committee: Janez Dekleva (SLO), Chair

Report from Children's Race Organisers Committee

Janez Dekleva gave a short report, discussing the preparation of a report with data from the season, including the number of races and useful comments for National Ski Associations. A calendar for the next season is presented, with changes due to the Olympic Winter Games. The Sub-Committee for Y&C thanks the special group for their work and mentions the importance of supporting young athletes. Draft Calendars for 2025/2026 season were presented.

4.3. FIS Athlete Health Unit, Geri Mitterbauer (FIS)

Geri Mitterbauer (FIS) discusses the need for a working group to address ethic health topics for young athletes, emphasizing the importance of knowledge dissemination and collaboration. The task ahead gathering data on injuries and the plan for quarterly meetings with the health unit. Geri also highlights the importance of epidemiology, risk factors, and prevention measures in addressing health issues. There is a need for context-specific collaboration and sharing knowledge between NSAs is emphasized. The Sub-Committee for Alpine Youth & Children's' Questions supports the idea of sharing knowledge to benefit athletes, coaches, and parents.

5. Proposals

Stefan Johnsen Havnelid (NOR), Chairman, notes the absence of proposals for the year and opens the floor for comments on future plans. Harald KIRCHMAIR (AUT, Vice Chair) suggests discussing the limitations of races and starts to give more time for training and recreation. This proposal was presented approved in the Sub-Committee for Alpine Youth & Children's' Questions in the 40th meeting held on the 6th of May 2024. USA implemented a national rule in this matter and Chip NIGHT (USA) supports the rule, mentioning its success in the USA and the need for international cooperation. Other comments presentet for the sub-committee were the challenges of maintaining different race schedules and the importance of giving more time for training, especially the speed events.

6. FIS Alpine Junior World Ski Championships (Jordi Pujol, FIS)

6.1. Report 2025 – Tarvisio (ITA)

The Chairman, thanks Tarvisio for their efforts in organizing the championships. Despite weather challenges the organiser managed to create an amazing atmosphere for the teams, and all events was carried out.

Giorgio KAIDISCH (ITA) provides a detailed report on the event, including the number of participants, accreditations, and the economic impact on the region. The importance of mobile and social media in reaching young audiences is highlighted. Giorgio mentions the lessons learned and the advice to be given to future organizers.

6.2. 2026 – Narvik (NOR)

A presentation from Narvik (NOR) will be given in Zurich (SUI) during the autumn meeting.

6.3. 2027 – Candidates

Timotej DUDAS, Event Project Manager (FIS) discusses the digital reach of the

championships, including social media and FIS discusses streaming. The process of bidding for future Junior World Championships is explained, with Norway secured for 2026 and 2027 open for bids. The importance of hosting events in regions with strong infrastructure and support is emphasized. Timotej encourages NSAs to express interest in hosting future events.

6.4. 2028 –
(SUI) Site to be defined

7. Other Youth Competitions:

7.1. Report 2025 – EYOF, Bakuriani (GEO) - Janka GANTNEROVA, (SVK)

Janka thanks the organisers of the European Youth Olympic Festival and highlights its importance in promoting ski sports.

7.2. Report 2028 – YOG, Dolomiti Valtellina (ITA) 15.-29/01/2028 – Massimo RINALDI, (ITA)

Massimo provides an update on the upcoming Olympic Winter Games in Italy and the legacy for the 2028 Youth Olympic Games. The focus on sustainability and the use of permanent infrastructure for the events is mentioned. More information will be available at the next meeting in Zurich.

8. Varia/New Business/Questions/ Best Practices/Knowledge Exchange

8.1. Speed Clinic in Val Gardena (ITA)

Marta Covi (ITA) presents the speed clinic project, which started in 2011 to provide training opportunities for young athletes. The clinic offers dedicated slopes, support from coaches, and a tuning service. The importance of early training and the positive feedback from athletes are highlighted. The project aims to give athletes the confidence and preparation they need for speed disciplines. Measures and other projects like this are important for the growth and development of future talents.

9. Next Meetings

FIS Autumn Meeting, 23rd to 27th September 2025, Zurich (SUI)

For the Minutes, Stefan J. Havnelid, (NOR) Chairman