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## **INTERNATIONAL SKI FEDERATION**

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## Minutes of the 86<sup>th</sup> Nordic Combined Committee Online Meeting Thursday, 30th September 2021 14:00 hrs CET

Dear Ski Friends,

We have pleasure sending you today the Minutes of the 86th Meeting of the Nordic Combined Committee held online on 30th September 2021.

You are kindly asked to send any remarks to the FIS Nordic Office in Oberhofen until 30<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

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.

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

## INTERNATIONAL SKI FEDERATION

Lasse Ottesen Race Director Nordic Combined

Enclosure: ment.

## INTERNATIONAL SKI FEDERATION Nordic Combined Committee

Minutes Nordic Combined Committee Online Meeting Online Meeting, 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021, 14:00 – 16:00 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 18.05.2021
- 5. Report from Summer events 2021
- 6. WC and COC calendars
- 7. FIS Summer Grand Prix 2022 calendar
- 8. Proposals to the FIS Council
- 9. Other items arising
- 10. Next meetings

## 1. Opening of the Meeting

The Chair Horst Hüttel (GER) welcomed all members and guests to the 86<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Nordic Combined Committee. Welcome and Thank You from Philipp Geissbühler to the NC team. Mention of one of the most important topics: The introduction of the NC Women to OWG 2026.

2.	Members Present HUETTEL Horst GER FOSSHEIM Edgar NOR BUKOVNIK Janez SLO CHASHCHYN Leonid BLR CHUDY Peter SVK AIT OUARCHIKH Hicham MAR DEMONG, Bill USA DUBROVSKI Stanislav RUS WOOLSEY Jim CAN KEMPF Hippolyt SUI KAPLAN Necati TUR MICHALCZUK Jakub POL SAMBUGARO Sandro ITA SLAVIK Tomas CZE TAHK Suzanne EST VERVEYKIN Andrey KAZ	<b>Remarks</b> Chairman	Substitutes	
		Not present		
		Not present		
			Dimitry Dubrovski	
		Not present Not present		
			Ivo Pertile	
	LEE Jaehong KOR BACK ERIKSSON Ulrika SWE	Not present		
	SATO Tomoki JPN DEMONG Bill, USA LAZZARONI Erik, FRA PELKONEN Jyri FIN			
	CSAR Günter AUT HEROLA IIkka FIN LEINAN LUND Mari NOR	Not present	Thea Oihaugen	
	HAIM Harald AUT ULVANG Vegard NOR KOJONKOSKI, Mika FIN	Excused Not present Not present		
	OTTESEN Lasse GRAVE Jan Rune KRAUS Guntram NEUMAYER Michael HARGESHEIMER Sophie LÖSCHER Kerstin Missing, (joins later)	FIS Race Director FIS Assistant Race Dir FIS Coordinator / Equi FIS COC Coordinator FIS Media Coordinator FIS Equipment Contro	uipment Control or or	

## Guests:

LUND Terje (NOR) Marita Andresen (NOR) Cristina Bellante (ITA) Angela Wiartalla (OC Oberstdorf) Ivar Stuan (NOR) Rupert Steger (NSA AUT) FISMag Stefan Hans Schmidt (OC Oberstdorf)

## 3. Approval of the Agenda

The Chair Horst Hüttel (GER) presented the agenda that was sent out on 30.09.2021. The Committee <u>approved</u> the agenda.

RD Lasse Ottesen welcomes Sophie Hargesheimer as new Media Coordinator and Madeline Nappey as Assistant Nordics Office responsible for Nordic Combined.

# 4. Approval of the Minutes of the Nordic Combined Committee online meeting, 16.04.2021

The minutes were sent out on 22.04.2021. The Committee approved the minutes.

## 5. Report from Summer events 2021

RD Lasse Ottesen welcomes the new Youth Cup Coordinator Günther Csar.

Youth Cup 2021 (Report Günther Csar):

Thanks to Uwe Mühln for his work in the past years. Oberhof (GER), 12 nations took part, <u>3</u>42 girls / 79 boys, 1. Day competition finished with cross run, 2. Day roller ski race in Steinbach-Hallenberg.

many spectators on side and the atmosphere was great. Due to Covid 19 regulations the price giving ceremony was held separately.

One winter competition planned in Harrachov (CZE). Hopefully many young athletes will compete there.

## FIS SGP 2021 (RD Lasse Ottensen):

Very positive summer events in Oberhof, Oberwiesenthal and Villach. The first time Men and Women competed together in 3 venues, in 10 competitions. Women: 9 nations, 31 athletes Very impressive development of the women.

After the Covid-19-season 2020, it was very nice to have been able to compete in the summer again.

Positive feedback from the teams regarding the compact setup of two weekends and one mid-week event.

Note: At competitions, where both genders are present (Lillehammer, Otepää, Ramsau, Val di Fiemme, Planica, Schonach) only one Official Training round will be carried out before the PCR.

Additon from Horst Hüttel (GER):

New: The uphill race in Oberwiesenthal was a great success. Thanks to the OC for making this possible. The athletes were very happy about the setup and the feedback was positive from the teams.

RD Lasse Ottesen:

We were able to collect experiences during the SGP to prepare for the upcoming Olympic winter. With Aga Baczkowska and Sepp Gratzer joining in Villach, it was great to have the support of our SJ colleagues. Equipment report (Guntram Kraus):

#### See enclosure

Anja Tepes joined in Villach to get to know the system. This was a big help, since Guntram is not allowed to control the women on the top and there are EQC needed at the top of the hill and at the bottom.

#### 6. Calendars 2022

Summer Grand Prix calendar 2022:

RD Lasse Ottesen: We will discuss the details during the Spring Meeting.

Günther Csar (AUT): Austria is planning a weekend competition as discussed with the RD. See enclosure

#### COC 2021/22:

RD Lasse Ottesen:

Request from RUS NSA came in late. We are thankful for the effort of the Russian Ski Association.

The reason for the move of Klingenthal is the Olympic qualification phase that ends January 16th. We want athletes to be able to qualify at this additional event in January 2022.

#### Günther Csar: (AUT)

We should think about overlapping WC/COC/EYOF in March.-<u>If female athletes are</u> competing at the World Cup Finale and EYOF they can't travel to COC's Park City, Whistler and lake Placid If young female athletes are competing at the EYOF they can't travel to Park City.

## Thomas Slavik, (CZE)

I think it's good to have more competitions, but the season will be very long for the COC athletes. Also budget-wise it will be difficult to travel to Russia, before travelling to China. I'm afraid there won't be many athletes in Nizhny Tagil.

#### **RD** Lasse Ottesen:

I agree on this topic but it is good to have many events during an Olympic season.

## **Committee unanimously confirmed**

Regarding Park City: It is colliding with the WC Women finals in Schonach and the EYOF.

## Billy Demong (USA):

The dates for this year will only work there and we tried to combine it with Womens SJ. We have the confirmation of Womens SJ and hopefully soon also for NC COC. For us this is the best solution, but I understand the difficulties of the travel. RD Lasse Ottesen:

The USA was the first nation to offer such a big tour and we are happy to announce that we are planning more events in USA for the future, also WC. Concernes: There won't be enough athletes taking part.

Billy Demong (USA):

We hope to add more names at our US events. It would be unfortunate if we won't be able to gather enough nations for the women's, but it won't be an issue from an OC perspective because of the SJ event.

#### Chair Horst Hüttel (GER):

For the girls in Russia and in the USA it would be great to have the events in Nizhny and PC, even if not many girls will compete there.

Maybe we can have a look at the concrete situation a bit closer to the event, but right now I would support both events.

RD Lasse Ottesen:

We will sit down with the colleagues in North America to create a full plan for the future.

### **Committee unanimously confirmed**

Michael Neumayer (COC Coordinator):

Nizhny Tagil has a very high level as an organiser, so I'm happy to have them back on the calendar.

Regarding Beijing: We are still waiting for their feedback and hope to get more information asap. (Flights, Visa etc.)

Happy about the first Team Sprint event in a long time and for the Women to be able to compete as a team.

Fantastic tour can be expected in the US and we are looking forward for many participants.

Questions:

Thomas: Invitation from Beijing is missing?

→ Horst Hüttel: The information everybody received can be seen as an invitation. → Lasse Ottesen: We are hoping to get the info on Charter flights, Visa etc. asap from the Beijing organisers

Womens WC calendar 2021/22:

https://assets.fis-ski.com/image/upload/v1633346317/fis-prod/assets/WCW-NC\_Calendar\_21-22\_Women.pdf

RD Lasse Ottesen: Presenting the biggest ever NC WC Calendar. Confirmation of an additional WC competition in Planica (SLO)

Chair Horst Hüttel: Thank you to Slovenia for including the Women in their WC weekend.

## Mens WC calendar 2021/22:

https://assets.fis-ski.com/image/upload/v1633346368/fisprod/assets/WCNC\_Calendar21-22\_Men.pdf

## 7. Long term Calendar until 2025-26

RD Lasse Ottesen: We are working close with CC on a long term calendar.

Request: NSA to send their application (for WC/SGP m/w for the next 3 seasons as well as the COC for the next 2 seasons) to the FIS Office. Long term Calendar will be presented in the Spring meetings 2022.

Deadline is 31 March 2022

## 8. Other items arising

OWG NC Women 2026.

Official applications have been made from AUT, SLO, GER and NOR to include Nordic Combined Women into the Olympic Winter Games 2026.

We need the full support from the teams and NSAs, although the application will be send from FIS.

We will propose one Women's IG and one Mixed team event to the IOC.

Chair Horst Hüttel:

We feel a lot of support from FIS regarding the OWG 2026. But we still have to fight until the application deadline on 15. November. The decision will be made in June 2022.

We already reached a lot in the last years and are hopeful to also add the Women's event to the OWG in the future.

Thomas:

We will reach out to our NOC to motivate them to add the Women's event to the OWG 2026.

Ivo Pertile: Positive feedback from Italian Olympic Committee regarding the proposal.

Chair Horst Hüttel:

Clear sign from Italy as the host of the OWG 2026, that they support the Women's event at the OWG.

# **Committee unanimously Confirmed**

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RD Lasse Ottesen: JWSC Accommodation Rate Implementation next season (2022/23) This proposal came thru Nordic Coordination boards meeting that was held 1 week earlier then the committee meeting.

Günther Csar, AUT The NSAs already planned their budgets for the upcoming season. Proposal to bring this up in the spring meetings. RD Lasse Ottesen: Proposal tabled, and will be brought up in the Spring meetings 2022

Jim Woosley, CAN Canada supports the raise of the accommodation rate.

RD Lasse Ottesen:

Our athlete representatives were unfortunately not present in our athlete's commission meeting. RD will reach out to both Athlete representative to make sure that they are present at the meetings in the future.

Mari Leinan Lund has withdrawn as NC Women athlete representative. NOR NSA has nominated Thea Oihaugen as replacement. Thea Oihaugen introducing herself.

Committee elects Thea Oihaugen as women's athlete's representative.

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RDA Jan Rune Grave:

The IRS (injurie report system) is already implemented in Alpine skiing. It helps to collect information from all NSAs regarding injuries from competitions and training. Only injuries that last longer than 14 days are counted, the system is anonymous. We ask you to give us one person/ p. NSA to report to us.

Jan Rune Grave will reach out to all NSA's in the coming weeks / months regarding this topic.

## FIS General Secretary Michel Vion joins the meeting and greets all members.

Günther Csar:

The TD seminar will take place in the end of October in Oberstdorf. Thanks to the organizers for the support.

## 9. Proposals to the FIS Council

- Nordic Combined Women to be included in the Milan/Cortina OWG 2026

## 10. Next meetings

FIS Spring meetings are scheduled to April 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> 2022 in Zurich.

## 11. Closing of the Meeting

Chairman Horst Hüttel closed the meeting at 15:50.