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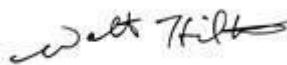
Please find enclosed the “**Provisional Minutes**” for the online meeting of the Sub-Committee for Freestyle.

We would also like to take the opportunity of informing you that the meeting documents are available on the FIS Cloud:

<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/A39mTGUGHMvOtMW>

With kind regards,

INTERNATIONAL SKI FEDERATION



Walt Hiltner
Chair



Anders Olofsson
Vice-Chair

**INTERNATIONAL SKI FEDERATION
FIS Sub-Committee for Freestyle**

**Provisional Minutes – for the meeting of the FIS Sub-Committee for Freestyle
Zoom on Wednesday, 18.05.2022 – 09:00 – 12:00**

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 - Zurich (SUI) Last week September 2022

ITEM 1

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Hi All,

A bit of a long report. As this is my last it is a look back and look forward.

Firstly, let me congratulate all the athletes and nations for their performances in another difficult competition year. Also the Race Directors and competition organisers who had to assure the health and safety of teams and officials.

For those few of you who may not be aware I will be stepping down as Chair of the Freestyle Sub-Committee. When I accepted the role I told myself it would be up through the 2022 Games. And from there it would be up to someone younger with renewed energy and vision to take our sport forward - certainly through the next Olympics and perhaps beyond.

Since I became Chair much has changed:

- New FIS Administration from the top down
- New Race Director (and saying farewell to my old and dear friend Joe)
- New Olympic event - Aerials Mixed Team
- New Rule Book

Underlying all that has been the work of our Advisory Groups and CoC Committees, who are at the coal face of our events, providing feedback, data, new ideas and solutions. Without their work we would not be able to make the changes and advancements to improve how we present ourselves and the way we do things.

The elephant in the room for the past 2 years has been COVID.

Aside from being a terrible disease and disruption to just about everything, it became a catalyst for the advent and development of online systems for remote judging, judge and TD education and the communication systems for conducting meetings and business as well as development of IT and graphics to better exhibit our events.

I am gutted, as I am sure we all are, at the situation in Ukraine. So many of our friends and ski colleagues' lives are being turned upside down, through no fault of their own. I optimistically look forward to the day when nations can return to the sporting arenas.

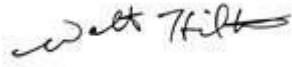
I fully support the initiatives of Dean and his Futures Group on its important work to improve our media reach and development of the World Championships product. This is important work!

These are areas that can provide for great advancements in our sport both monetarily and exposure wise, which in turn will attract athletes and organisers into the future.

Finally, it will give me great pleasure to have been at forefront of the effort should Dual Moguls be included in the 2026 Olympic programme. This will be the culmination of the effort of everyone past and present in the Freestyle community. It is the most exciting of events. It will be an amazing addition and a highlight of the Games.

I thank everyone for the support I have received over these years. But, just so you know, I will not be going away, just moving to the back of the room, where I will absolutely continue to assist and support the new leadership.

Thanks again and I hope to see you all in Zurich.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Walt Hiltner". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Walt Hiltner, Chair

1.1 Identification of Voting Delegates

Ordinary Members

Chair: Walt Hiltner	AUS	Present
Vice-Chair: Anders Olofsson	SWE	Present
Todd Allison	CAN	Present
Enver Ablaiev	UKR	Absent
Fabien Bertrand	FRA	Present
Engyu Yang	KOR	Absent
Anatoly Yakheev	RUS	Present
Jussi-Pekka Kinnunen	FIN	Present
Iain Mackay	GBR	Present
Michel Roth	SUI	Present
Matthew Gnoza	USA	Present
Tina Tanaka Sundekvist	JPN	Present
Mikalai Kazeka	BLR	Absent
Yan Xiaojuan	CHN	Absent
Askar Valiyev	KAZ	Present
Matevz Stanovnik	SLO	Present

Conference:

Roman Kuss	AUT	Proxy Melanie Meilinger
Reyes Santaolalla	ESP	Absent
Camila Freitas	BRA	Absent
Yuliya Fominikh	ARM	Absent
Vakhtang Kopadze	GEO	Present

FIS Staff:

Andrea Rinaldi	FIS	Present
Reinhard Krampfl	FIS	Excused
Konrad Rotermund	FIS	Present
Karin Arnold	FIS	Excused

Athlete Representative:

Hannah Kearny	USA	Excused
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Guests:

Mikahil Kurlovich, BLR	Philippe Gueisbuhler, FIS
Jyrki Säämänen, FIN	Jan Jakubco, SVK
Chris Robinson, CAN	Wopke de Vegt, NED
Alex Penigin, BLR	Nuriddin Pazylov, RUS
Reetta Reuhkala, Infront	Sabine Schnell, AUT
Ola Sundekvist, SWE	Charles Antoine Morache, CAN
Roman Vidovic, SLO	
Sacha Giger, SUI	
Jussa Kinnunen, FIN	
Rudi Garmisch	
Anna Sanarova, KAZ	
Mateusz Kielpinski, FIS	
Uldis Brize, FIS	
Lindsay Arnold, USA	
Christoph Perreten, SUI	
Marc Schober, GSS	
Anna Banach, Infront	

1.2 Approval of Minutes from last meeting

The Minutes from the Fall Online Meeting have been distributed on 6th October, 2021.

Approved by SWE seconded by CAN.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

Draft No. 1 of the agenda was distributed 14th April, 2022

Approved by CAN seconded by SWE.

1.3.1 New Business

Refer to Item 3, nothing reported.

ITEM 2

Previous and Tabled Business and Postponed Items

All was included in the Rules discussion.

ITEM 3

Proposals from FIS and NSA's

See Appendix – All Rule Proposals.

ITEM 4

Reports from Advisory Groups

4.1 Judges Advisory Group

4.1.1 Judges Advisory Group Members

Chair:	Tina Tanaka Sundekvist	JPN
Members:	Ian Hutchings	CAN
	Scott Lounsbury	USA
	John Buhler	CAN
	Marion Kohly	FRA
	Kirill Kruchok	BLR
	Zhaoyi Qiu	CHN
	Zoe Jaboor	AUS
	Alberto Orsatti	ITA
MO AG:	Matt Gnoza	USA
AE AG	Michel Roth	SUI
Member at Large:	Walt Hiltner	AUS

4.1.2 Chair's Report (education and proposed HJ revisions)

Provisional Minutes spring 2022 for Zoom call meeting, Freestyle JAG

Meeting, 4th May 2022 / 15:00 – 17:30 CET

1. Meeting Open

Welcome attendees,
Kirill, Kruchok (BLR), Ian Hutchings (CAN), John Buhler (CAN), Alberto Orsatti (ITA)
Andrea Rinaldi (FIS)

2. Report of season 2021/2022

2.1 Scoring

- Aerials, Top level of performance is very high quality so that 0.1 difference can change the podium. We need to check every detail to evaluate the jumps carefully. If the jump is good do not hesitate to give good scores instead of 4.5 – 4.6, why not 4.9 – 5.0.
- Moguls, if you see good jumps and techniques, give them good scores by using the range.

2.2 Video Usage

- Aerials, a video controller filmed the jumps to check the timing of start and finish twisting and worked with a head judge as well as scoring judges during the competition.
- Moguls, TV footage for remote judging was used to check the quality of Grabs and Cross. Ahead judges could use the system to show it in slow or stop motion during the Olympic and the WCs in March. This system was very valuable so that we would like to recommend the system will be available for the next season at WC as well as WSC.
- We could not watch the official training well enough to get an idea especially about the high of the jumps which can be different in every course. It can be a possibility to watch

the finals which is a week before the judges will score. The training, the competitors do not ski from the top to bottom but in the WC final they try to do so.

- Mogul, a head judge, and other onsite judges shared the course inspection data with online judges by photo, video, and comments.

2.3 Remote Judging

- The opportunity of coaches and judges meeting, ICR 4001.1.6.5, HJ organised meetings with the coaches sometimes.
- All the systems including good internet connection for onsite and online judges' side, scoring system, TV camera, need to be in place before the official training a day before the competition so that a head judge can concentrate on scoring and communication with the panels during the official training and the competitions.
- The incentive of online judges financially, extra fee needs to be considered to increase more professional judges.
- Online view, occasionally, the judges can get more detailed information of jump and Turn technique since the camera showed us a closer look than live with binoculars. To keep the fair scoring, it is important to share the same view with online and onsite judges.
- A TV cameraman for Moguls needs not to zoom too much so that we can follow the line changes and can see the Air for the jumps well. If there is any possibility to use a side camera, its footage should be available for all the athletes to maintain fairness.
- We had one extra judge for an online judges' panel to cover any system failure. In the case some issues happen, we recommend having at least the following number of officials onsite,
 - * Moguls, a Head Judge plus two scoring judges
 - * Aerials, a Head Judge, one scoring judge and a video controller

2.4 Others

FIS Open in Idre, the double up scoring system was operated at the first time for Moguls. It went very fast by the accurate judging together with the smooth coordination of two panels by an experienced snowboard coordinator who has done it for a long time.

3. FIS FS Judges Clinics/Updates/Webinars

3.1 Report Judges Clinics 2021-2022

There were three types of Freestyle judges' clinics. Onsite, in person clinics where online participants could only ask questions through Zoom or WhatsApp by messaging and listening onsite discussion, combined in person and online, and online participants.

Annecy (FRA), 14 onsite + 4 online
Moscow (RUS), 14 onsite + 12 online
Park City (USA), 9 onsite + 11 online
Helsinki (FIN), 3 onsite + 4 online
Montreal (CAN), 9 onsite + 0 online
Tokyo (JPN), 2 onsite + 18 online
China, 0 onsite + 33 online

3.2 Upcoming Judges clinics 2022-2023

In person:

22 nd – 24 th September	TBD, Europe
14 th – 16 th or 21 st – 23 rd October	TBD, North America
11 th – 14 th November	Tokyo, JPN
Online clinics	October and November

3.3 Clinic and Education Material Preparation

- To provide a variety of opportunities, Onsite and Online courses will be available.
- The advantage of online courses and clinics is they can learn at their own pace by checking the video as much as they want. The disadvantage of online courses and clinics is less discussion and interaction. Some could not watch the video well online.
- We continue to develop the online courses and system as well as to improve the way to provide the online clinics.
- Online video streaming of WC or CoC is a very good tool for judges training and Mentor program (with a facilitator), especially if there is a system to collect their scores to evaluate their understanding and skills.
- Any comment is welcome about education materials and clinics. We will work on it with experts and prepare for the season.
- Online Education Platform
Users on www.fis-edu.com
Freestyle: 451
Freeski: 309
Snowboard: 447
Some users are for more than one discipline.

4. Motions to FIS FS Judges Advisory Group

Proposal 31: Aerial landing category, if the competitor does Punch front with No snow contact, the category of landing is 1.1 to 1.5.

Comments: YES

Proposal 66: Set Standards for Remote Judging

Comments: After two seasons of experience, we could see what needs to be improved and how. We will work on this to make a recommendation.

5. Judges Assignments

5.1 Proposal Freestyle Judges YOG 2024 Korea Gangwon Province

Head Judge	Paul Livissianos, AUS
Scoring Judge	Pavla Slaba, CZE Josep Maria Puig Crisol, ESP Hajime Ito, JPN Sangmok Lee, KOR Nicole Gafner, SUI Jörgen Eriksson, SWE Alexandra Foroglou, USA

4.1.4 Upgrades

2022 Freestyle Judge's upgrade recommendation					
Family name	First name	Nation	Moguls	Aerials	Remark
Livissianos	Paul	AUS		YES, B to A	
Bunnah	Mark	CAN	YES, B to A		
Hamel	Vicky	CAN	NO, C to B		No support from NSA
Harrison	Rob	CAN	YES, C to B		
Liquorish	Dana	CAN	NO, B to A	NO, B to A	No support from NSA
MURPHY	ANDREA	CAN		YES, B to A	
Thibault	Daniel	CAN		YES, C to B	
Volpe	Jocelyne	CAN	YES, B to A		
Robichaud	Real	CAN	YES, B to A	YES, B to A	He used to be A for both Aerials and Moguls. The only condition, attend FIS FS judges clinic with tests to show he is ready to regain to be A license.
Puig Crisol	Jos ep Maria	ESP		YES, B to A	The only condition, join mentor program with a certain facilitator to show he is ready to score the jumps in World Cup level.
BERARD	Bruno	FRA		YES, B to A	The only condition, join mentor program with a certain facilitator to show he is ready to score the jumps in World Cup level.
RUBIN	Gas pard	FRA	YES, B to A		
Carr	Martin	GBR		NO, B to A	Need to show that he is ready for scoring World Cup level of jumps by joining mentor program with a certain facilitator.
Horner	Willi	GER	NO, C to B		Need to attend FIS FS judges clinic with tests.
Matt	Rudi	GER		NO, B to A	Need to show that he is ready for scoring World Cup level of jumps by joining mentor program with a certain facilitator.
ISHII	Hiroshi	JPN	YES, C to B		
Miyazaki	Sensaku	JPN	YES, C to B		
Degteva	Yuliya	KAZ	YES, C to B		
Ols on	Robert	SWE	NO, C to B		Need to attend FIS FS judges clinic with tests.
Täck	Rasmus	SWE	YES, C to B		

4.2 TD Advisory Group

4.2.1 TD Advisory Group Members

Chair:	Peter Krogoll	GER
Members:	Iain Mackay	GBR
	Markus Malsiner	ITA
	Ted Martin	USA
	Guido van Meel	SUI
	Martijn Oostdijk	NED
	Roland Horn	AUT
	Jim Hemlin	CAN
	Matevz Stanovnik	SLO

4.2.2 Chair's Report (Iain Mackay)

1. Expert Groups

My proposal to form a new Expert Group under the TDAG for the purpose of developing and delivering training for Freestyle TDs was accepted. The Group is to consist of:

- Iain Mackay, GBR
- Matevž Stanovnik, SLO
- Karin Arnold, SUI
- Jyrki Säämänen, FIN
- Andy Stein, CAN

Separately, Jim Hemlin, CAN is to coordinate proposals to update the TD Education offering, initially by consulting with Race Directors to identify training needs. The fact that Canada has a well-developed programme for developing TDs from ground level up to FIS TD should enable their experience to feed into the proposals.

2. TD per diem payments

The TDAG supported the proposal from the Judges for an uplift in TD remuneration, and hopes to move forward on this in a coordinated fashion.

3. TD Clinics

2021: IM expressed his thanks to Jyrki Säämänen and Matevž Stanovnik for their work on Clinics in 2021, and particularly to Matevž for stepping in at the last minute to present at the Anney Clinic when IM was prevented by Covid from attending.

2022: North America has a provisional date for a Clinic 21-23 October.

A provisional programme of Clinics in the rest of the world was presented by the Chair.

4. Proposed TD for YOG 2024

Vicky Hamel, CAN.

4.2.3 New Moguls/Aerials Technical Delegates

Sandra Hartman, CAN
Junetsu Nishida, JPN

4.3 Moguls Advisory Group

4.3.1 Moguls Advisory Group Members

Chair:	Matt Gnoza	USA
Member:	Jim Schiman	CAN
	Fabien Bertrand	FRA
	Harald Marbler	SWE
	Eemeli Kallas	FIN
	Toby Dawson	CHN
	Jo Yuta	JPN
	Steve Desovich	AUS
	Giacomo Matiz	SUI
Member at Large:	Anders Olofsson	SWE
Member at Large:	Konrad Rotermund	USA
TD Repres:	Iain Mackay	GBR
JAG Chair:	Tina Tanaka Sundekvist	JPN

4.3.2 Chair's Report

The Mogul Advisory Group (MAG) has been working to ensure the proper implementation of the following topics from the discussions throughout the season. These include the following.

- Major Event Formats
- Judges' education
- Judges' evaluation process
- Jump specifications
- Landing specifications
- DD Chart evaluation – Group formed to review
- Judging Amplitude of jumps
- Clothing proposal
- Remote Judging
 - Process
 - See what they see
 - Judge course inspection process

The MAG discusses the topics then if needed assigns the proposal to a MAG member to be reviewed and submitted by the MAG.

MAG members have also indicated that they would like to attend video conferences with the JAG members that will be conducting judging clinics this fall to work on proper scoring for turns and air. In the past the MAG provided the judges with notes and charts that point out key indicators that judges should be looking for when judging and they would like to continue with this process.

The MAG continues to discuss topics which currently include the following.

- Mogul formats for OWG and WSC
- Dual Mogul Seeding
- Use of video replay for judges

The MAG is also discussing the future of moguls thru the following topics

- Addition of double corks to the DD chart
 - Is this what is best for the progression of the sport?
 - Jump and landing specifications for double corks
- Addition of Dual Moguls to the OWG
 - How to best set-up the OWG schedule once DM is added to the OWG

On Going MAG Discussions

- Improve communication between JAG and MAG – MAG members should be involved with creation of judge education.
- Increase judge education and length of course – Consider using test scores to give judge assignments
- Creation of a judge evaluation after WC events
- Consider variety in course design and layout
- Better explanation of base scores, the method of determining base score needs to be consistent - possible adjustments needed
- Wider range in judging consider not using the .1 and going to whole and half numbers
- Evaluate taking base scores and deductions from different judges – is this working as intended?
- Clarification as to how and when video is used by judges – Share the judges link with team/coaches so they can see what judges see.
- DM bottom air – absorption of jump – Is this an issue or just what the sport of DM needs to be?
- Mogul Specific judges at major events – Could be easy fix with remote judging

- All DM should be DM from start
- Return to a single DM judging system – Preference?
- Singular system for DM seeding
- No line choice in DM
- Return to a M/DM/TDM rule book – make printed copies available – Ensure ICR includes all the info needed for WC, WC Finals, WCS, WJC and OWG

Interested in joining MAG

Kate Blamey – AUS

Bryon Wilson - USA

4.4 Aerial Advisory Group

4.4.1 Aerial Advisory Group Members

Chair:	Michel Roth	SUI
Members:	Dave Morris	AUS
	Mikalai Kazeka	BLR
	Dennis Capicik	CHN
	Jeff Bean	CAN
	Ji Dong	CHN
	Dmitriy Kavunov	UZB
	Enver Ablaev	UKR
	Vladimir Lebedev	USA
Member at Large:	Walt Hiltner	AUS
Member at Large:	Steve Dong	CHN
Member at Large:	Konrad Rotermund	USA
JAG Chair:	Tina Tanaka Sundekvist	JPN

4.4.2 Chair's Report

I am writing on behalf of the Aerial Advisory Group (AAG) following the 2021/2022 World Cup Season.

To begin, I would like to express my sincere thanks to the organiser of the Olympic Winter Games in Beijing, China. Everything was well organised, and the aerial venue was exceptional, which allowed us to have a great Olympic Games. It was an exciting competition in both the women's men's fields, and we also had the first Mixed Aerial Team Event at the Games as well, which I heard was an exhilarating event. Many thanks to the Chinese Ski Association to help push this event into the Olympic program.

In regard to the 2021/2022 Season and the Olympic Winter Games in China, we need to go over several points for the next Olympic cycle. It's time to reflect on our discipline and see what we need to change going into the future.

The new season is approaching us quickly, so we (the AAG) should not waste our time from now until the spring FIS meetings as we analyse the past season and discuss any potential points and/or issues, to help make our sport even stronger leading into the 2026 Olympic Winter Games.

Next season has the potential to be very challenging for the sport of Aerial Skiing, due to ongoing global political problems, so I hope we can work collectively to put together a solid World Cup calendar. At this point, it appears very likely that World Cups in Russia and Belarus will not happen.

Aerial Skiing is a very high level professional acrobatic sport, which is not judged by professional judges, but I believe we still have a strong judging system, but looking into the future, we need to implement more and more new technology. For example, we can (and should) measure airtime, which can help eliminate one of the portions from the judging panel. Video technology is improving every year, and we need to take advantage of these new tools, to help the judges focus on the more relevant points such as Air & Form.

Also, the degree of difficulty is getting more demanding for the athletes, so judging twist timing is becoming more critical, so we need to further research all technical possibilities to help the judges. Just to be clear, all the coaches understand the difficulty of judging our sport, but we should be able to find the necessary tools to better prepare for the next Olympic cycle.

Thank you everyone to help try and keep the sport of Aerial Skiing as exciting as possible.

To begin, I quickly put together a few points that I believe we need to go over:

- *Proposal Aerial Formats*
- *Proposal Aerial Tie Breaking*
- *Team Event*
- *New Synchro Rules for the Judges Handbook and Rules of Competition*
- *Change to measure the Airtime*
- *DD Change for Triples with 5 Twists*
- *Online Judging Europa Cup/World Cup*
- *Video Specialist (Dmitriy Kavunov)*
- *2021/22 World Cup Reviews*
- *Summer water ramp competition dates*
- *Members of the Aerial Advisory Group*

Online Judging Europa Cup/World Cup

Online judging is the way to go. Andrea Rinaldi and FIS will push this agenda, so we should have more information shortly. In addition, we should try and find more ex-athletes to judge, because this could also eliminate further travel costs.

More judges should judge from home:

- 5 Online Judges for Continental-Cup
- 7 Online Judges for World-Cup

Video Specialist (Dmitriy Kavunov)

An idea has been proposed to have Dmitriy Kavunov as the Video Specialist for all the World Cup and World Championship competitions. His expertise can help bring better consistency to the judging panel, and since he no longer works on any team, his consultations and input with the judges will remain completely unbiased.

On a different note, the specialist should be more involved with the judges during competition (i.e. twist timing). I will talk to Tina Tanaka on how we can find a better solution.

Report from Lydia Lassila AUS (Specialist in Ruka World-Cup FIN)

- Judges learn a lot from slow motion replay during the training days, which gives them a chance to understand why things happen, and I believe this is really important for their education.
- They tend to deduct points even if there are clearly no deductions. We (the specialist and coaches) expressed our concerns after the first WC, and they made some adjustments for the next second WC... But it shouldn't happen.
- I think they should watch production replays of World Cups for training, and then judge again to see if they get the same score. This way they see jumps from different angles.

This will also help them understand the max score for a jump (because they don't know). They can then see if their judging matches the deductions they took from max score.

- Most judges couldn't see the landing properly in Ruka, so this was a big problem. The judges stand needs to face the landing a little more.
- Judges should also listen more to the specialist during competition about timing, form, and even landing issues.

World Cup 2021/22

Considering the challenges of the on-going worldwide COVID pandemic, and the War in Ukraine after the Olympics, it was a very difficult end to the Season.

Here are a few comments and highlights.

- **Ruka, FIN** – Fantastic for all the teams to have four World Cups. The organisation was excellent, but the judges stand needs to be adjusted to better see the landing.
- **Quebec, CAN** – Good to have the event back in Canada. Competition was very good, and we hope to have more aerial events in the future.
- **Deer Valley, USA** – As usual, an excellent event with no issues whatsoever. Qualifications should not be held during the day due to changing weather conditions and warm temperatures. It should always be a night event
- **Olympic Games, CHN** – The venue at Secret Garden was terrific. It was superb on every level and we hope to return for WC competitions.
- **Yaroslavl, RUS** – Everything looked good and everyone was ready to compete. Cancelled due to political situation.
- **Moscow, RUS** – Cancelled.
- **Almaty, KAZ** – Cancelled.
- **Valmalenco, ITA – Junior Wolds** – Organisation and competition went very well. Good weather. No major problems.

Summer Water Ramp Competition Dates

SUI	Freestyle Masters	Mettmenstetten	21.08.2022
BLR	Freestyle Open	Minsk	no information
CAN	Mondial	Quebec	new water-ramp renovation
CHN	no Information	Qinhuangdao	no information
USA	no Information	Park City	no information
AUS	no Information	Brisbane	no information

Thanks for taking the time to read through everything, and if anyone has any questions please don't hesitate to get in contact via email.

Kind regards,

Michel Roth

ITEM 5

Continental Cup Reports

5.1 Europa Cup – Reinhard Krampf

The 2021/22 season was one of the biggest we had in the history with Moguls and Aerials. Despite one cancelled weekend at the end of the season we had a total of 9/9 Moguls and 9/9 Dual Moguls

Aerials was stable with our well-known organisers with 9/9 competitions. However, 50 % of the competitions took place in the eastern part of Europe, which was in the last season before the beginning of the crisis in this area.

On the last day of the season 2022 I was informed that I am not needed anymore after approximately 30 years of successful work. Sure, sometimes I was thinking about my retirement as well and had some plans for this, it was definitely not by now but in maybe one or two seasons.

Whatever this decision means for FIS, for me it is quite clear that I was abruptly dismissed from one day to another without any information and communication beforehand. At first, I was pretty shocked and speechless about that followed by frustration. In the meantime, I accepted it (what remains left for me).

38 years ago I started as a judge, followed by the CoC Coordinator for another 30 years. Besides a lot of WC assignments as the Race Director I was also a member of the FIS Freestyle Committee from 1989 until 1996.

According to some documents and minutes in my cellar I started in the early 1990's. Val Francis from Great Britain, who chaired the Continental Cup Sub Committee and the Working group for European affairs as well as Hanno Treindl, FIS Freestyle Coordinator in those days encouraged me to work for FIS to structure the Europa Cup series as an important level at the international competitions.

With my start as an international judge in 1984 and a FIS TD in 1986, I have a total of 38 years working in and for Freestyle within FIS. During this very long time I worked at all different levels. Besides my duties as the Europa Cup Coordinator, I was nominated by Hanno from 1995 on as the Race Director at some World Cups every year, followed then by Joe until my last World Cup in 2019 (another 24 years in my personal history). I acted as a proctor at judges and TD seminars, course inspections & presentations for OC's for more than 20 years. Furthermore, I ran Ski Cross and P&P WC and EC competitions for several years in the beginning, when those disciplines joined the Freestyle group.

In the 90's I ran the Continental Cup Sub-Committee together with Val Francis as the committee secretary, supporting her work. Between 1989 and 1996 I was a member of the FIS Freestyle Committee representing Germany.

I'd like to thank you for the support and treatment of my successful work for the past decades. I'd like to thank you for the friendship and partnership. I appreciate it very much to know you as friends - we all were able to develop our visions together.

Finally, I'd like to thank Joe Fitzgerald. During Joe's 23 years of FIS we walked side by side and shared our Freestyle life achieving our visions. Joe always relied on my knowledge and my help, and he gave me the flexibility to run the Continental Cup according to my ideas.

Last but not least I'd like to thank Kathrin Hostettler. Kathrin is working now for 31 years within FIS and I have known her since her first month. She is the good soul in our sport. Kathrin works tirelessly for us, sometimes even in the middle of the night when she is answering emails or changing data on the website, when she is back home on the weekends.

Finally, I'd like to thank my wife Angelika who met me with Freestyle and married me despite my intensive commitment to Freestyle. Most of you know her from the competitions in winter because she mostly accompanied me to the races, at least in Europe. She supported me at

home over the years to ensure my successful work especially in the wintertime. I also would like to thank Angelika for her support during some WC and EC competitions while she took the video footage for the judges' seminars for approximately 10 years after 2000, even in extreme cold outside temperatures.

This decision has an immediate impact on my life. Our life is changing now into a new phase and we're looking forward to new experiences and challenges in the future.

I never thought that my successful work for FIS over decades would end in this abrupt way from one day to another ...

5.2 NorAm – Todd Allison

The U.S. currently holds the chair of the NAC however, there has been a transition from Ashley Deibold during her short maternity leave. Ashley will continue her two year term as the representative from the USA once she returns to work.

The NAC is happy to report that the 2021/22 NorAm tour was a success. There were 16 events held in moguls (men and women; 4 DM, 4 MO) and 12 events held in aerials (6 for men, 6 for women). The committee congratulates the winners of the NorAm Cups:

	Aerials	Moguls	Dual Moguls	MO/DM Overall
Men	Alex Duchaine (CAN)	Alex Lavoie (CAN)	Elliot Vaillancourt (CAN)	Julien Viel (CAN)
Women	Karena Elliott (USA)	Elizabeth Lemley (USA)		

The committee was happy to see the resumption of the WC finals (moguls) which included specific spots for the discipline winners (Lavoie, Vaillancourt and Lemley). We do seek clarification from MAG and the Freestyle SC as to how the personal WC spots for CoC champions will be awarded for 2022/23. We see significant disruption and cost if it is given to the "small globe" winners instead of the "overall mogul winner". We see value in providing opportunity for one individual per region/gender to participate at the next level rather than the above situation where two skiers could split spots between MO and DM (causing people to travel to one competition, sit out and not be included in the FIS rates).

Event scheduling for the 2022/23 season is progressing; we have discussed provisional dates / locations and are looking to finalize in the next few months. The committee is aiming for eight starts in moguls (four MO, four DM) and six to eight starts in Aerials.

For the 2021-22 NorAm tour the NAC instructed the LOCs to follow local Covid protocols as the FIS Passport system didn't have the capacity or resources to reach below the WC level. This worked well and was a way we could balance a level of safety with the costs and logistics of testing and quarantines.

The NAC remains unclear about the future of the disciplines represented in our SBFSFK group with the impending move of Ski Cross to Alpine. The NAC looks forward to clarifying this before the season, so SX is appropriately represented at their NorAm level of decision making.

5.3 ANC – Walt Hiltner

He informed, that not much happened due to the Covid situation. There is a new training centre in Perisher (AUS)

5.4 AC – Tina Takana Sundekvist

She informed that due to Covid no Asian Cups could be held.

5.5 SAC – Stefano Arnhold

Nothing was reported.

ITEM 6

Reports FIS

6.1 Race Director Report

For this second difficult season of, I would like to start by thanking Kathrin, Konrad, Karin Arnold, Tina Tanaka Sundekvist and Alberto Orsatti: without them it would have been very difficult to achieve what we had to do.

Also, the fundamental support of Dean Gosper, Michel Vion, Philippe Gueisbuhler and Joe Fitzgerald was not lacking in the difficult moments when we needed to make the most difficult decisions.

Working with such a team everything seems much easier!

When I started on my RD adventure, I set myself 4 big goals to achieve:

- 1) Introducing DM to the Olympic Games.
- 2) More consistency in the WC calendar.
- 3) More synergies between the Continental Cup calendars and with the WC Calendar.
- 4) Pink & Green: more gender equity, women in key positions, less travel and more sustainable from an ecological point of view.

I will make some comments on this later in the various points but I would like to introduce an important piece of information regarding point 2 and 3. At the end of the 2022 World Cup, and therefore the four-year Olympic period, we have decided to restructure a bit the working system between Race Director and Assistants, in the last 2 years I have relied almost exclusively on Konrad Rotermund, I take this opportunity to thank him again, but from next season and in agreement with FIS Management I will have 2 Assistants, again Konrad for North America and Karin Arnold for the competitions in Europe, both will also act as Race Director of their respective continental tours: Konrad will then officially be the NAC RD and Karin EC RD. The idea is to introduce the same function for the Asian Cup in the future and find the ideal person to act as RD and consequently as Assistant RD.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Reinhard Krampfl for what he has done in the past for FIS in the organisation, development, and management of the European Cup.

6.1.1 OWG Beijing 2022

The Games were organised in an exemplary way by our Chinese friends, the Moguls and Aerials competitions produced an impressive show; the courses were perfect and the athletes magnificent!

The introduction of the Aerials Mixed Team Event was much appreciated, and the show was not lacking.

The results showed once again how our sports are equally distributed on 4 continents, awarding 12 medals to 10 different nations!

The introduction of the Dual Moguls for the next Games in Milan-Cortina 2026 can now be just a simple consequence of the work done in the last 30 years since the official introduction during the 1992 Games in Albertville (FRA).

In the last 4-6 weeks, but already during the Beijing Games, I have been working a lot for the next 2026 Olympics, we have been focusing on several aspects regarding the introduction of the Dual Moguls in the official programme:

- 1) Due to a logistical matter, the Moguls slope will be a bit different from what we have been used to seeing in recent editions of the Games. Slightly shorter and a bit steeper it will be a perfect compromise for the 2 events: MO & DM.
- 2) I have submitted to the IOC 3 or 4 versions of possible schedules that would allow the introduction of DM in the current Olympic Schedule of the various MO/AE/AET events.
- 3) Various discussions about Quota are in progress, now for MO we have 30 spots, clearly for DM 32 would be ideal, increasing by 4 spots (2W/2M) may seem small but we must think that in the global system of the Games even small variations have considerable costs. Moreover, about the quota, we have seen in Beijing how 25 spots per gender in Aerials is not enough to guarantee the right number of Teams for the AET.
- 4) A lot of my time has been invested in demonstrating the benefits of introducing DM at the Games without necessarily removing MO, in particular I was able to gather the consensus of FIS Management Michel Vion, Philippe Gueisbuhler and Sandra Spitz who actively support the request; the OC of Milano-Cortina 2026 on the benefits of introducing DM and consequently the various technical aspects of the slopes; FIS (Italian Winter Sports Federation) but also a whole part of the political and business person of the Milan-Lombardia region (which includes one of our important partners as Chiesa in Valmalenco). The first signals coming from the IOC are positive and encouraging but in these important decisions politics plays an important role and therefore I find myself asking for your commitment to support this request, every person, institution, or knowledge useful to the cause must be contacted and informed! If you need further information I am at your complete disposal.

6.1.2 World Cup 2021/22

Clearly some situations have disturbed the regular course of the circuit and in particular at the end of the season with the Ukrainian crisis, but despite the traumatic stop in Russia for the last Aerials competitions I must consider myself satisfied with what has been produced. A special thanks goes to the organisers for the enormous commitment and flexibility shown on every occasion.

In particular I would also like to thank France and Italy who have returned to the moguls scene at World Cup level by organising 2 magnificent events in Alpe d'Huez, first edition, and Chiesa in Valmalenco, a welcome return.

A special thanks also goes to the Chinese Ski Association for the support and the excellent collaboration with the Finnish Federation for the organisation of the 4 Aerials competitions at the beginning of the season: a very interesting synergy in this very difficult pandemic period! Congratulations to Mengtao Xu, Maxim Burov, Jakara Anthony and Mikael Kingsbury for winning the Globes.

I'm moving forward with the restructuring of the World Cup to achieve the goal of having a more consistent tour for teams; the goal is to have 3 blocks with December in Europe, January-February North America and February-March Asia. From season to season we will adapt the calendar according to the Major Event (Olympic Winter Games or World Championships) to achieve this goal we hope that in North America 1 or 2 locations will be

added and in Asia we can achieve the stability needed in Japan, China and other Eastern countries such as Russia, Kazakhstan and Korea.

This should improve the sustainability of the tour but also the request to organise at least 2 events in the same location and to integrate more Aerials and Moguls are sure to help a more consistent World Cup calendar.

6.1.3 Junior World Championships 2022 in Chiesa in Valmalenco (ITA)

Once again, our youngsters met in the beautiful setting of Palu, Chiesa Valmalenco in Valtellina, we cannot add anything more for this organiser who has always been a great supporter of our events!

The introduction of the Dual Mogul Mixed Team Event was a new step in the development of our sport, an interesting and enjoyable competition that delighted the spectators with an additional component than the usual spectacularize, even the tactics had a fundamental part in the competition.

Link to the Presentation: <https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/ulGCezkkqGdF4se>

For next season there are 2 NSAs with 2 traditional Freestyle Locations interested in the event, now I'm not sure if the applications have already submitted to FIS but I'm pretty sure that also for next year our youngsters will have an event up to their expectations, the provisional date is end of March after Continental Cups and World Cup is ended. The program will be very similar to what we saw in Chiesa in Valmalenco with the idea to carry on also the Team Events AET and DMT, especially this is important in view of the YOG 2024 in Korea where DM and DMT are an integral part of the programme. Discussions are also underway here with Freestyle Canada and USSA to bring this important event back once again to North America.

6.1.4 WC Head Judge 2022 / New Procedure for 2022/23 and 2023/24

The experience of having one head judge following the entire world cup tour for the 2 events was once again good this year. After 2 experimental seasons with Tina and Alberto we have now opened the possibility to other candidates to announce themselves for the next seasons, 9 persons have applied and, after consulting MAG, AAG and JAG we choose the follow 2 persons: AE WC HJ Marko Kanklar SLO and MO WC HJ Sarah Simson USA.

WC Technical Delegates

I personally feel very fortunate to always be able to work with trained, knowledgeable and professional TDs. Special thanks to those who make themselves available to spend long days on the snow to ensure the safety and smooth running of the competitions of our athletes.

6.1.5 Report Remote Judging & Future Strategy

The process of developing the Remote Judging mode also continues, much progress has been made, the technology and the system seem to work, now we need to enter the process to define the procedures and standards to be used in the future.

There is still a lot to be done in the educational part, but I am sure that with timely projects and collaboration with the JAG and coaches we can have some interesting progress in the short term.

Data Service

As usual our data service partner has provided an important and very professional service, in particular the introduction of the remote TCM and remote judging system has allowed us to prevent problems related to COVID and improve the use of our time. Now we are in a phase of renewal of the contract with this important supplier, it is certainly a good opportunity to introduce new important services and widen the spectrum of action also to the continental circuits by making the software and its licence available also for the lower-level competitions.

Future Developments

In the near future, there are some important issues to pursue:

- Introduction of more technology to support the events;
- Progress in the training of judges and Technical Delegates;
- Reinstatement of the homologation process of the tracks, with the departure of J. Fitzgerald we have lost a bit of track of this important issue.

6.2 Athletes Report

Freestyle Athlete Feedback Spring 2022 (Hanna Kearny)

I reached out to 75 freestyle athletes with questions about formats, scoring, and schedules. I received limited, but insightful responses, specifically from the mogul skiers. Here is a summary of their feedback.

Olympic Winter Games

FORMAT: Overall, the athletes liked having 2 chances to qualify for the final. It was not necessary to spread the 2 runs out over multiple days. In fact, the best of 2 run qualification was incredibly confusing to broadcasters and spectators when the runs were not back-to-back and were not even on the same day. Most athletes understood that 3 final runs provided more television exposure for them. However, they noted that most athletes just did the same run 3 times and that it is odd to have a format that is so different from the way they compete on the World Cup Tour at the Olympics.

TRAINING: Athletes generally thought that there were one too many training days. They commented that they would prefer longer training sessions over fewer days. They would be happy to forfeit a day of training for a Dual Moguls medal event! They also did not think that having a day of training between Q1 & Q2 was necessary.

Dual Moguls

SCORING: The athletes unanimously voiced support for the 35-point scoring system over the 100-point scoring system.

SCHEDULE: As mentioned above, the athletes would give up a training day in order to fit DM on the 2026 program. However, maybe the best option is to alter the schedule to allow a day of rest/training/inspection after single moguls and before dual moguls if we are lucky enough to see DM in the 2026 OWG. The athletes expressed interest in being able to focus on single moguls before they start training and inspecting the other side of the course for duals to ski their best and put on the great show. An alternative would be an extended training session before the dual mogul competition.

Other

DOUBLES: This issue is always split 50-50. Half of the athletes think it is an inevitable part of the progression of the sport, and the other half say that it is mogul SKIING and allowing doubles will take away from this emphasis. So, the athlete's input is no help on this topic!

BEST OF 2 RUN FINAL: 2/3rd of the respondents supported trying a best of 2 run final in order to promote jump progression and faster skiing. Those that voiced concern mentioned that it could be anticlimactic. It is worth discussing harmonisation among other disciplines and the role that our format choices make in helping spectators understand the events and become fans.

6.4. Moguls & Aerials Communications Report

Promotion:

1. Moguls & Aerials World Cup Press Office - season previews, event previews - where to watch, recaps, special features - press releases through FIS mailing system, newsflash
2. Photos at every event (provided by FIS and/or local organisers) - free of charge photos for editorial purpose for media, as well as athletes and teams (FIS Smugmug)
3. Collaboration with Infront in content production - videos (trailers, highlights, behind the scenes etc, graphic & branded content)
4. Special Olympic package to create the interest ahead and during the Games (photos, graphics, milestones and achievements)
5. Cooperation with athletes in content creation and sharing (behind the scenes, tagging, social media)
6. Season recaps - FIS Bulletin - new online interactive hub version
7. Live-streaming - World Cup and World Championships
8. FIS App

Social media summary:

- Steady and organic growth on all platforms
- Greater numbers compared to last season
- Instagram is still the most relevant channel - highest growth and targeted at younger audience

SNOWBOARD DIGITAL / SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT:

<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/oqzcxwCZlmUUq0d1>

FREESTYLE DIGITAL / SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT:

<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/ShYwMphML3V4b14>

Other topics:

- TV Pictures - Collaboration between FIS media coordinator and NSAs/teams to maintain TV portraits up-to-date - new TV graphic
- Content creation - There's been a huge improvement in quantity as well as quality of content created at FIS World Cup events and we continue to encourage our organisers to create your own content around your event - benefits include greater exposure for you resort/NSA/sponsors, as well as quality content that can be utilised throughout the year for further promotion and exposure
- Content X - publishing and reporting software - utilising resources more efficiently, developing of automated content
- Internal discussion about creating FIS TikTok channels
- Fantasy Game

What's to come in the summer:

- Fan engagement content produced together with Infront - including World Cup champions highlights
- Interviews with crystal globe winners, rookies of the year, competition directors, etc.
- New storylines/summer specials
- Throwback series with World Cup highlights and memorable Olympic moments
- Preparation for the upcoming 2022/23 World Cup season as well as 2023 World Championships

ITEM 7

Moguls / Aerials Competitions

7.1 World Cup Calendar 2022/23, 2023/2024, 2024/2025 and 2025/2026

FIS FREESTYLE SKI WORLD CUP CALENDAR 2022/2023

Date	Day	Site	NAT	MO	DM	AE	AET	Notes	
December 22									
02.-04.	Fri-Sun	Ruka	FIN	02	03	04			
10.-11.	Sat-Sun	Idre Fjäll	SWE	10	11				
16.-17.	Fri-Sat	Alpe d'Huez	FRA	16	17				
January 23									
21.-22.	Sat-Sun	Le Relais	CAN			21	22	TBC	
28.	Sat	Bristol	USA			28			
27.-28.	Fri-Sat	Val St. Come	CAN	27	28				
February 23									
02.-04.	Thu-Sat	Deer Valley	USA	02	04	03			
11.	Sat	Valmalenco	ITA		11				
19.2-05.3	Mon-Sun	Bakuriani	GEO	25	26	21q/22f	19	WSC	
March 23									
05.	Sun	Engadin	SUI			05		TBC	
17.-20.	Fri-Mon	Almaty	KAZ	17	18	19	20	Finals	
Locations 10 / Nations 08 / Competitions 40					06/06	07/07	06/06	02	

RD Comments:

Obviously for the 2022/23 calendar we have been strongly influenced by the crisis situation in Russia and Ukraine, which also involves Belarus; unfortunately, at the moment we have lost 1 organiser for the Moguls tour but above all 30% of the Aerials tour. We are working with USSA, Swiss-Ski and other NSAs interested in the Aerials event to limit the damages in the calendar, more information during the summer.

DRAFT 2 - FIS FREESTYLE SKI WORLD CUP CALENDAR 2023/2024

Date	Day	Site	NAT	MO	DM	AE	AET	Notes
December 23								
02.-03.	Sat-Sun	Ruka	FIN	02		03		
09.-10.	Sat-Sun	Idre Fjäll	SWE	09	10			
15.-16.	Fri-Sat	Alpe d'Huez	FRA	15	16			
16.	Sat	Airolo	SUI			16		
22.-23.	Fri-Sat	TBD	CHN			23	22	
January 24								
13.-14.	Sat-Sun	TBD	USA			13	14	
13.-14.	Sat-Sun	Val St. Come	CAN	13	14			
20.-21.	Sat-Sun	Le Relais	CAN			20	21	
27.-28.	Sat-Sun	TBD	USA	27	28			
February 24								
01.-03.	Thu-Sat	Deer Valley	CAN	01	03	02		
10.	Sat	Minsk-Raubichi	BLR			10		
17.-18.	Sat-Sun	Yaroslavl	RUS			17	18	
17.-18.	Sat-Sun	TBD	JPN	17	18			
24.-25.	Sat-Sun	Almaty	KAZ		24	25		
March 24								
02.-03.	Sat-Sun	Livigno	ITA		03	02		
09.-10.	Sat-Sun	Megeve	FRA	09	10			
09.-10.	Sat-Sun	Engadin	SUI			09	10	
14.-17.	Thu-Sun	Valmalenco	ITA	16	17	14	15	Finals
Locations 18 / Nations 12 / Competitions 68				09/09	10/10	12/12	6	

RD Comments:

Season 2023/24, as a tradition every 4 years, we will not have a Major Event in the programme, the idea is then to have the World Cup finals with all the events scheduled in Chiesa in Valmalenco also developing synergies with the Olympic venue Livigno where the test events are scheduled for 2026. This season should also be the one of the return to Japan for the Moguls circuit.

DRAFT 2 - FIS FREESTYLE SKI WORLD CUP CALENDAR 2024/2025

Date	Day	Site	NAT	MO	DM	AE	AET	Notes
December 24								
06.-07.	Fri-Sat	Ruka	FIN	06		07		
13.-14.	Fri-Sat	Idre Fjäll	SWE	13	14			
19.-20.	Thu-Fri	Alpe d'Huez	FRA	19	20			
21.-22.	Sat-Sun	TBD	CHN			21	22	
January 25								
11.-12.	Sat-Sun	Le Relais	CAN			11	12	
18.-19.	Sat-Sun	Val St. Come	CAN	18	19			
18.-19.	Sat-Sun	TBD	USA			18	19	
25.-26.	Sat-Sun	TBD	USA	25	26			
February 25								
30.-01.	Thu-Sat	Deer Valley	USA	30	01	31		
08.	Sat	Minsk-Raubichi	BLR			08		
08.-09.	Sat-Sun	TBD	JPN	08	09			
15.-16.	Sat-Sun	Yaroslavl	RUS			15	16	
15.-16.	Sat-Sun	TBD	JPN	15	16			
22.-23.	Sat-Sun	Almaty	KAZ			22	23	
28.	Fri	Valmalenco	ITA			28		
March 25								
10.-23.	Mon-Sun	Engadin	SUI	X	XX*	X	X	WSC DMT*
Locations 15 / Nations 11 / Competitions 54				08/08	09/09	08/08	04	

RD Comments:

For the season 2025 the focus will be the World Championships in St. Moritz-Engadin at the beginning of March, the World Cup must therefore be finished by the end of February at the latest.

The goal of the 2025 World Championships is to introduce the Dual Mogul Mixed Team Event officially into the programme.

DRAFT 1 - FIS FREESTYLE SKI WORLD CUP CALENDAR 2025/2026

Date	Day	Site	NAT	MO	DM	AE	AET	Notes
December 25								
06.-07.	Sat-Sun	Ruka	FIN	06		07		
12.-13.	Fri-Sat	Idre Fjäll	SWE	12	13			
18.-19.	Thu-Fri	Alpe d'Huez	FRA	18	19			
20.-21.	Sat-Sun	TBD	CHN			20	21	
January 26								
03.-04.	Sat-Sun	TBd	CAN	03	04			
10.	Sat	Le Relais	CAN			10		
09.-10.	Fri-Sat	TBD	USA	09	10			
15.-17.	Thu-Sat	TBD	USA	15	17	16		
24.	Sat	Moscow	RUS			24		
31.	Sat	Minsk-Raubichi	BLR			31		
February 22								
06.-21.	Fri-Sun	Milano-Cortina (Livigno)	ITA	05-07/08		12-14 Women 13-15 Men	18	OWG/*AE Team
28.-01.	Sat-Sun	Yaroslavl	RUS			28	01	*Mixed Team
28.-01.	Sat-Sun	TBD	JPN	28	01			
March 22								
07.-08.	Sat-Sun	Krasnoyarsk	RUS	07	08			
14.-15.	Sat-Sun	Shymbulak	KAZ		14	15		AE Finals
21.-22.	Sat-Sun	Megève	FRA	21	22			MO/DM Finals
Locations 15 / Nations 10/ Competitions 54				09/09	09/09	08/08	02	

7.2 World Championships 2023 in Bakuriani (GEO)

The Bakuriani organisers are evidently behind in the preparation of this important event, the situation created with the pandemic and the current crisis does not facilitate the advancement of work, but I am quite sure that during the summer we will achieve the hoped-for goals! During my two first visits to Bakuriani I found great will and enthusiasm for the World Championships, also for freestyle we will be ready next February for the opening.

Link to the presentation: <https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/eAjdYld0QIWqQLO>

7.3 World Championships 2025 in Engadin (SUI)

After an initial visit to identify the ideal location for the Moguls and Aerials slope, the St. Moritz LOC in cooperation with Swiss-Ski should begin next season to organise test events in preparation for 2025, one of the first competitions could be Aerials which would consequently support a World Cup calendar that is quite poor at the moment and clearly in trouble due to the crisis between Ukraine, Russia and Belarus. One of the goals for the 2025 WCHs will be to introduce the Dual Moguls Mixed Team Event into the official program.

Link to the presentation: <https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/TJJMD8XXQ5MsY1x>

7.4 World Championships 2027 Candidate Montafon (AUT)

Andrea informed, that he had the first visit and reconnaissance in Montafon for the WSC 2027 bid, the conditions are good and all the basic requirements are given.

7.5 Junior World Championships 2023

For the 2023 World Junior Championships Swiss Ski applied with Airolo for 20th - 26th March, 2023.

OC and Ski Resort in Airolo are very useful organisers in Freestyle events with a lot of experience between 1998 and 2022; two WC, 1 WJC's and many Europa Cup and lower-level events.

7.6 Continental Cups

As already reported in my comment for the past season for the 2 main continental tours there will officially be the appointment of 2 new Race Directors: Karin Arnold for the European Cup Moguls and Aerials, Konrad Rotermund for the NorAm. Both will act as WC RD assistants for their geographical areas, this will allow us to better coordinate the activities on several levels for our disciplines.

For the NorAm there are not many additions to be made to the calendar as it is already very stable, it is very important to review the European Cup calendar by rethinking the objectives. Improving the exposure of the tours and their graphics.

The final calendars will be presented during the autumn meeting, but we will keep the various interest groups regularly informed during summer.

FIS RD Andrea Rinaldi

7.7 Other Events

Other important events that must be referred to are the Universiade, which will be held next winter in Lake Placid without MO and AE, which sounds really strange having been the location of a traditional place for Freestyle, the next edition will be held in Turin in 2025. While the EOF that was held in Finland will take place in Georgia, first contacts have been made to try to introduce our disciplines into the official program.

7.8 OWG 2026 Milano (Livigno) (ITA)

Preparations are also proceeding for the Games 2026 Milan Cortina in Livigno. The biggest building site for Freestyle is definitely the possibility of introducing DM as a discipline. Hopefully, the positive feelings of the moment will soon become reality.

7.9 Youth Olympics (KOR)

During the YOGs in Korea 2024, Moguls will be introduced for the first time with the DM and DMT events, an important milestone achieved by our community that will allow very young people to breathe Olympic air at a young age.

ITEM 8

Fluor Ban

It was reported that after comprehensive testing, FIS is prepared to fully enforce the Fluorinated Wax ban at the start of the 2022/2023 winter season. Working with Bruker, a leading manufacturer of high-performance scientific instruments and maintaining a close collaboration with the International Biathlon Union (IBU) through a joint working group, an effective testing method using the Alpha II device was developed. The device provides reliable testing to ensure fluor-free competitions, which will help guarantee fair competitions and a level playing field. The rules regarding the fluor wax ban will be defined at the upcoming FIS Congress, which will then be implemented at the start of the winter 2022/23 season.

ITEM 9

Next Meeting

- Zurich (SUI) Last week September 2022