

Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting

Held on Tuesday 28th July 2020 from 18:00 to 23:20 online on Zoom.

You can watch the recording of this meeting [here](#). (first 20 min not recorded). The powerpoint slides of the meeting can be accessed [here](#).

Agenda

0. Present

President:	Martin Stiassny
Vice-President:	Li Ting
Vice-President:	Jean-Yves Papazoglou
Vice-President:	Jana Hricova
Secretary:	Lorenz Trippel
Treasurer:	Harry van der Krogt
Executive Officer:	Natalia Kovaleva
Executive Officer:	Catalin Taranu

Auditors: Nicole de Beer, Jan Rüten-Budde

Official representatives, 27 countries:

Country	Representatives	Votes
Austria	Jürgen Suntiger / Viktor Lin	2
Belgium	Marie Jemine	2
Croatia	Damir Medak	2
Cyprus	Nicholas Roussos / Dimitris Regginos	0
Czechia	Jan Hora	2
Denmark	Finn Nørgaard	2
France	Chantal Gajdos / Arnaud Knippel	4
Germany	Michael Marz	4
Hungary	Júlia Seres	0
Ireland	Tiberiu Gociu, Eoghan Barry	0
Israel	Elad Zipper, Levav Ferber Tas	2
Italy	Michele Piccinno	2
Lithuania	Vidas Sadauskas	2

Netherlands	Dave de Vos	4
Norway	Michael Plikk	2
Poland	Maksym Wałaszewski	2
Portugal	João Luciano Vieira	0
Romania	Cristian Bratu	2
Russia	Maxim Volkov	4
Serbia	Mijodrag Stankovic	2
Slovakia	Pavol Lisy / Soňa Lisá	2
Spain	Juan Domingo Martín	2
Sweden	Staffan Bäcklund	2
Switzerland	Flavien Aubelle	3
Turkey	Eren Kurter	2
Ukraine	Dmitry Yatsenko & Artem Kachanovskyi	2
UK	Toby Manning, Collin Williams	3
Total:		56

Also present: Martin Finke, Peter Zandveld EGCC (European Go Cultural Center)

1. Opening of the Meeting
2. Verifying Presence and Voting Rights
3. Accepting the Agenda 
 - a. accepted
4. International Matters:
 - a. Presentations from other International bodies
 - not present due to time shift (it's in the middle of the night in far east)
 - b. Report from IGF Directors [link](#)
 - c. Report from EGCC Supervisory Board. Martin Finke [Sales process and start of Iwamoto Europe Foundation](#), [MoU](#)
5. Acceptance of [Previous Year's AGM Minutes](#) 
 - a. accepted
6. Admission of New Members
 - a. no new members
7. Reports of the President, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice Presidents, Officers
 - a. President Report, Martin Stiassny: [link](#)
 - b. Secretary Report, Lorenz Trippel: [link](#)
 - c. Treasurer Report, Harry vd Krogt: [link](#)

- d. Vice Presidents Reports
 - Jean-Yves Papazoglou: [link](#)
 - Jana Hricova: [link](#)
 - Li Ting: [link](#)
 - e. Other Reports of Board members
 - Natalia Kovaleva: see power point presentation
 - Catalin Taranu: [link](#)
8. Report of the Auditors for 2019 (Nicole de Beer, Jan Rüten-Budde), discharge of the Board 🖱 [link](#)
- a. Approved 80%, abstained 10%, rejected 10%
 - b. Jan: Nicole & Jan will be available for 2021 but not after this.
 - Collin: We must get the budgets under control
9. Reports of Officers/Chairmen of the Commissions
- a. Congress Advisor, Manja Marz: see power point presentation
 - b. Pros Commission: Ali Jabarin: [link](#)
 - Many questions about the overstretched budget for the Silk Road event (which actually was not a pro related event)
 - Levav: Pros should be able to earn money but this doesn't mean that the EGF should give biggest part of the funds to the pro activities
 - Ali: Vast part of prize money comes from tournaments where sponsor money was specifically meant for this tournament (e.g. Grand Slam)
 - Harry 2000€ where paid to professionals outside of tournaments
 - Martin we use nearly 0 money for professionals
 - c. Tournaments & Rules, Michal Timko, David Zacek, Laszlo Boviz, François Myzessin: no report
 - d. Ratings (EGD), Lorenz Trippel: [link](#)
 - e. Rating System Commission: Ales Cieply, Michael Silcher, Dave de Vos, Geoff Kaniuk, Toby Manning, Wilhelm Bühler [link](#)
 - f. Appeals: Leo Dal Zovo, Kerem Karaerkek: No requests or appeals → no report
 - g. Academy: Gabriel Wagner [link](#)

BREAK 30 min 🍕

10. Budgets

- a. Presentation of Budgets 2021 🖱
 - No Budget now. Martin: Propose to meet in December to get a real budget for 2021 as atm the overall situation is unclear

11. Appointment of Commissions, Auditors

- a. Tournament Rules & Commission:
 - Members
 - Michal Timko
 - François Mizessyn
 - László Bővíz
 - Candidates:

b. Appeals Commission:

- Members:
 - Leo Dal Zovo
 - Kerem Karaerkek
- Candidates:

c. Auditors

- Members:
 - Nicole de Beer
 - Jan Rüten-Budde
- Candidates:
 - we are looking for candidates for 2022

12. Proposals from Members / Board Members / Commissions

13. European Go Congress

- Report from 2019: Bruxelles, Belgium [link](#)
- Progress report on 2021: Kamyanets-Podilskyi, Ukraine
 - Postponed, investments which were done aren't lost
 - Future is unclear, waiting for the crisis to disappear
- Progress report on 2022: Vatra Dornei, Romania
 - Weather in Vatra Dornei: it's chilly not as hot as in lower places
 - Place will be a former casino which is getting renovated atm
- Call for candidates congress 2023

14. European Tournament Calendar - Selection of Hosts

- Short updates from 2020/21:
 - Blue:** selected at last year's assembly in Bruxelles
 - Pro Championship 2020 in Vienna (nothing fixed, with no sponsor we can not do it)
 - [Pair Go Championship](#) in Niš, Serbia (postponed) hope to organize it in November / December postpone 2021?
 - [Student Championship 2020](#) 2021, Petrozavodsk, Russia
 - [Women Championship 2020](#) 2021, London Go Centre, UK
 - Grand Slam Qualification 2020, Arcachon, France, 8-9 October
 - Youth Championship 2021 (first half of March, possible 3rd week, February) [Czechia, Prague nearby \(with a youth training camp\)](#)
 - Women Championship ~~2021~~ 2022 (second half of year) [Budapest, Hungary, 30/40 minutes outside Budapest](#)
 - Grand Slam tbd on September 15th, not the usual high prize money if online
 - Grand Prix Finale 2020 [Essen, Germany, 14-17 January 2021](#)
 - European Championship 2020 online for 32 players
- Call for Candidates
 - Magenta:** candidates in this year's assembly
 - Pro Championship 2021 (February - Beginning March)
 - Pair Go Championship 2021 (February - April)

- Grand Slam 2021 (April - Beginning May) [Serbia offers to organize also maybe Grand Prix Finale](#)
- Grand Prix Finale 2021 (January 2022)
- Youth Championship 2022 (February - April)
- Pro Championship 2022 (February - Beginning March)
- Pair Go Championship 2022 (February - April)
- Grand Slam 2022 (April - Beginning May)
- Student Championship 2022 (second half of year)
- Women Championship ~~2022~~ 2023 (second half of year) [Strasbourg, France](#)
 - Accepted 100%

15. Internet Championships

- a. [Pandamet Go European Team Championship](#)
 - Martin: 37 countries, 10th edition
- b. [European Youth Go Team Championship](#)

16. Any other Business:

- a. Cyprus: Minimum membership fees: criteria and definitions
 - Nicholas: Cyprus does all due diligence with registering player membership
200 Euro is too much for such a little community
 - Other countries have similar problems: Luxembourg, Ireland
 - Michael: Disappointed that the process of applying for the minimum fees is not followed. Countries are not reporting the membership numbers.
 - Juan: Players listed in the EGD should be taken in to account not the numbers reported
 - Eoghan: Number of players in Ireland is stable (around 25). It would mean 8€ per person which seems quite a mismatch to what bigger countries pay per player. The 200€ fee is too high for small countries.
 - Juan: We should change the system as the system as it is now is unfair.
 - Collin: If we have a simple system where each country pays a relatively small fixed fee and then an other amount which is proportional to the numbers they have, this actually encourages to get more members.
 - Collect proposals for a new fee system then we vote in an extra meeting
 - Extra AGM in December
 - Vote: 92% in favor, 8% abstain to have an extra meeting in December