

## Minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting

Held on Monday 22nd July 2019 from 17:00 to 22:35 in Brussels, Belgium

### Agenda

0. Present

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

**Auditors (nominated During the AGM):** Nicole de Beer, Jan Rüten-Budde

Official representatives, 23 countries:

<b>Country</b>	<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Votes</b>
Austria	Viktor Lin	2
Belgium	Marie Jemine, Joost Vannieuwenhuyse	2
Croatia	Damir Medak	1
Czechia	Jaroslav Kotowski, Tereza Kotowska	2
Denmark	Finn Nørgaard	2
France	Arnaud Knippel	4
Germany	Michael Marz	4
Hungary	Júlia Seres	2
Ireland	Carol Doyle-Plikk	1
Israel	Ali Jabarin	2
Italy	Maurizio Parton	2
Netherlands	Dave de Vos	4
Norway	Michael Plikk	2
Poland	Maksym Wałaszewski, Mateusz Surma	2

Portugal	João Luciano Vieira	1
Romania	Catalin Taranu	2
Russia	Vladimir Gorzhaltsan	4
Slovakia	Sona Lisa	2
Spain	José Manuel Pavón	2
Sweden	Staffan Bäcklund	2
Switzerland	Flavien Aubelle	3
Ukraine	Dmitry Yatsenko & Artem Kachanovskyi	2
UK	Toby Manning	3
<b>Total:</b>		<b>53</b>

**Also present:** Peter Zandveld EGCC (European Go Cultural Center)

**Special Guests:**

Kim, Hyanghee Asian Go Federation, Secretary General  
 Urasoe, Tom IGF, Deputy Secretary General

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
    - i. None
  - b. Report from IGF Directors
    - i. 2020 WAGC will be organised at Vladivostok
    - ii. Teach the teacher in EGCC - October 2019
    - iii. Olympics Games - Pair go Tokyo - 2020
  - c. Report from EGCC Supervisory Board
    - i. None
5. Acceptance of [Previous Year's AGM Minutes](#)
  - a. accepted
6. Admission of New Members
  - a. No new members
  - b. Malta contacted, info page on our webpage in the members section
  - c. Algeria, they teach kids, we sent them teaching material 9x9s, booklets

7. Reports of the President, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice Presidents, Officers
  - a. President Report ([Martin Stiassny](#))
  - b. Secretary Report ([Lorenz Trippel](#))
  - c. Treasurer Report (Harry vd Krogt)
    - i. Zero cash, payments shall only be done by bank transfer
    - ii. Michael Marz: Find alternative sponsors when CEGO sponsorship runs out. Martin: We have to do this.
    - iii. Michael Marz: Membership Fee: Number of members, amount paid by each country should be presented before the AGM. Harry agreed to deliver the membership numbers and the breakdown of membership fees after the meeting. (This includes applications from the countries for discounts and reasonings from the board why which countries requested how much discount and which countries got how much.)
    - iv. The treasurer will send a refined budget after the meeting
  - d. Vice Presidents Reports ([Jean-Yves Papazoglou](#), [Jana Hricova](#), Li Ting)
  - e. Other Reports of Board members ([Natalia Kovaleva](#), [Catalin Taranu](#))
8. Report of the Auditors for 2017/2018
  - a. The new auditors were elected see [12.c.ii](#)
  - b. Nicole de Beer from the Netherlands, Jan Rüten-Budde Germany checked the accounting of 2017 and 2018
  - c. The EGF Executive Board is discharged
9. Reports of Officers/Chairmen of the Commissions
  - a. Congress Advisor ([Manja Marz](#))
  - b. Pro Commission
    - i. C-League ([Report](#) of Artem)
    - ii. Transatlantic match (EGF / AGA)
    - iii. Teaching: Ali Jabarin (French Camp), Artem Kachanovskyi / Mateusz Surma (Youth), Andrii Kravets (Vienna Side tournament)
    - iv. Set up a [system](#) to choose players for international events
    - v. [Promotion reports](#) on the website
    - vi. Ali commented the Pro qualifications on Twitch
  - c. Tournaments & Rules (Michal Timko, David Zacek, Laszlo Boviz, François Myzessin)
    - i. no report
  - d. Ratings (Aldo Podavini)
    - i. no report for the assembly, [report](#) with the resignation came in two days later
  - e. Appeals (Leo Dal Zovo, Kerem Karaerkek)
    - i. no appeals were made
  - f. Academy (Catalin Taranu)
    - i. initially fully supported by the Ge Yuhong Go Academy, now only partially, increase of the participation fee planned, now 20 euro per month (should be 30 euro)
    - ii. European Youth Elite team (EYE)

## 10. Appointment of IGF Directors for 2020-2022

- a. Martin Stiasny (recommended by the EGF board)
- b. Li Ting (recommended by the EGF board)
  - i. Two years term
  - ii. The EGF recommends Martin and Ting for another term of 2 years

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## 11. Budgets

- a. Presentation for Comment of Budgets 2019
  - i. negative result 2019 / 20 is quite large
  - ii. Silkroad single event
  - iii. Toby: Transatlantic: Seems a lot of money for some games. Is it a good idea to give so high prizes for so few players ?  
Natalia: Only once with EGF money, next time with sponsor.
  - iv. Michael: There is no information prior to the assembly.
  - v. Toby: Send the budget back to the EGF executive board ?
  - vi. Peter: Raise entry fee for the congress ?
  - vii. Budget for 2019: in favor 20, against 3, abstained 21
    - o Budget 2019 accepted

## 12. Appointment of Commissions, Auditors

### a. Tournament Rules & Commission:

- i. Members
  - o Michal Timko
  - o François Mizessyn
  - o David Zacek
  - o László Bóvíz

Candidates:

- o none

### b. Appeals Commission:

- i. Members:
  - o Leo Dal Zovo
  - o Kerem Karaerkek

Candidates:

- o none

### c. Auditors

- i. Members:
  - o none

- ii. Candidates:

- o Nicole de Beer from the Netherlands and Jan Rüten-Budde from Germany for 2017/18 and 2019

a. accepted

### 13. Proposals from Members / Board Members / Commissions

- a. Belgium: [Extend the rating scale up to 40 kyu](#)
  - i. new players don't get a rank for long time
- b. Netherlands: [Rating System Improvements](#)
  - i. Dave de Vos: 20 Kyu not really a beginner
  - ii. A rating commission should look into potential improvements
  - iii. Toby: the commission should have the support of Aldo Padovani and Ales Cieply
  - iv. Toby is volunteering to convene the rating system commission
  - v. Both proposals 13.a and 13.b were not voted upon, the commission will handle this matter.
- c. Small presentation about the [streaming on twitch](#) (Sebastian Berghoff, Xiaocheng-Stephen Hu)
- d. Russia, Vladimir Gorzhaltzan, [Establish an EGF Anti-Cheating commission](#)
  - i. Propose a commission
  - ii. Jana: Ales Cieply already did some work in this area. She will connect them.

### 14. European Go Congress

- a. Financial report from 2018: Pisa, Italy
  - i. [Article](#) by Francesco Potorti
  - ii. Italian organizing team still meets often, the congress was a success with more than 1200 participants
- b. Comments on 2019: Brussels, Belgium
  - i. Took over from initial organizers as they left abruptly
  - ii. Finances are stable
  - iii. Keep computer / subscription system for next congress not to reinvent everything again and again.
- c. Progress report on 2020: Kamenets, Ukraine
  - i. Transfer from major cities (Kiev, Lviv) will be offered
  - ii. Natalia: If Russian players can not enter, how to organize the european championship?:
    - o Will we allow players join the competition over internet?
    - o Toby: Executive should decide how to handle the situation.
- d. Selection of Host for the Congress 2021
  - i. So far there are no candidates. Catalin will investigate if it's possible to organize it in Romania (in Transylvania).
- e. Working together with the EGF Congress Advisor should become a prerequisite to become the host.

### 15. European Tournament Calendar - Selection of Hosts

- a. Short updates from 2019/20:
  - i. Women Championship 2019, [Trier](#), 06-08.09.2019, Germany

- ii. Student Championship 2019, [Kyiv](#), Ukraine, 28.-29.09.2019 (free accommodation, prizepool 1000€)
- b. Call for Candidates / selected hosts (blue means selected)
  - i. Grand Prix Finale 2020, [Leksand, Sweden, 16-19 January \(with a weekend tournament\)](#)
  - ii. Youth Championship 2020, [Stubicke Toplice, Croatia, \(near Zagreb\), 12-14th March \(without youth training camp\)](#)
  - iii. Pro Championship 2020, Ukraine showed interest
  - iv. Pair Go Championship 2020 (February - April), [Subotica or Niš, Serbia \(still looking for government support\)](#)
  - v. Grand Slam 2020, first need to check back with the sponsor CEGO, please ask Ting if you are interested. Arnaud Knippel: Paris applies if it is not in China. It would be during the Paris tournament, at Eastern.
  - vi. Student Championship 2020 (second half of year) [Petrozavodsk, Russia](#)
  - vii. Women Championship 2020 [London Go Centre, UK, 5-7 September](#)
  - viii. Grand Prix Finale 2021
  - ix. Youth Championship 2021 (February - April) [Czechia, Prague nearby \(with a youth training camp\)](#)
  - x. Pro Championship 2021 (February - Beginning March)
  - xi. Pair Go Championship 2021 (February - April)
  - xii. Grand Slam 2021 (April - Beginning May)
  - xiii. Student Championship 2021 (second half of year)
  - xiv. Women Championship 2021 (second half of year) [Budapest, Hungary, 30/40 minutes outside Budapest](#)

#### 16. Internet Championships

- a. [Pandamet Go European Team Championship](#)
  - i. 37 countries qualified , no qualification event next year
- b. [European Youth Go Team Championship](#)
  - i. 12 countries
- c. [Transatlantic Championship](#)
  - i. Stephen: Should be better held 2nd half of the year (have different stages like in Nongshim-Cup)
  - ii. To be played face to face, not by internet ?
  - iii. A sponsor is needed for next match

#### 17. Any other Business:

- a. none