European Minigolfsport Federation
Delegates Conference 2026 (for 2024 and 2025)
Bischofshofen (A), 16. August 2026 h.09:30 CET

Agenda, minutes and decisions taken

Delegates Conference 2026

Sunday, 16. August 09:30

Gasthaus Schützenhof, Alte Bundesstrasse 3, Bischofsfshofen (AUT)

Agenda

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9. Discharge for the work of the Executive Members Committee for 2018 (as per Extraordinary DC Decision)
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11. Appointment of new Auditors for financial statements (2024-2025)
12. Approval and discharge for the work of the Executive Members Committee (2024-2025)
13. Review and approval of the budget for next Board Term
14. Motions from EMF Members, EMF ExCo
15. Championships Awarding (beyond +4 years from Delegates Conference)
16. Discussion and approval of the WMF Changes in the sport regulations and in the Entry fees for International Championships, significantly:
    a. Reduction of the number of team players for men team general class (from 6+1 to 5+1)
    b. Reduction of the number of team players for senior men team (from 6+1 to 5+1)
    c. Evaluation of application of the reduction of frequency and the number of team players for MCLF men team (from 6+1 to 5+1) that is not ruled in WMF new Championship scheme
    d. Generalized increase of entry fees for GC,SEN,MCLF from 100 to 150€ with potential application of a % of income share on the entry fees, as per new WMF Fee Catalogue
    e. For all the above, if approved, definition of the starting date
17. Determination of membership fees and adoption of the WMF fee catalogue
18. Establishment/dissolution of special committees
19. Elections
    a. President pro-tempore
    b. Presentation of Candidacies
    c. Execution of elections
    d. Scrutiny
    e. Proclamation of:
        i. President
        ii. Secretary General
        iii. VP Finance
        iv. VP Sport
        v. VP Media
        vi. VP Seniors
        vii. VP Youth
    f. Election of Chairperson of the Legal Committee
    g. Election of Member of the Legal Committee
    h. Election of 2 Auditors nations
20. Miscellaneous
21. Meeting Closure

Topic	Discussion	Decisions
1. Greetings, establishment of the quorum, voting rights	The meeting regularly started at 9:30 according to the invitation. There were present 5 Board Members (3 in the room and 2 connected via Teams), 8 Member Nations (7 in the room and 1 connected via Teams) Board Members as per Statute has 1 vote each. Present Ermes Franchini, Christian Gobetz, Wil Van Disseldorp, Peter Burri (Remotely) and Henrique Souza (Remotely) Member Nations present: - Austria (Andreas Lachner) with 3 votes - Denmark (Simon Junker) with 2 votes - Germany (Achim Braungart Zink and Michael Löhr) with 4 votes - Italy (Guido Mattaini, Remotely connected) with 3 votes - Latvia (Verners Kirs) with 2 votes - Norway (Erik Fause Hovind and Kai Amundrod) with 2 votes - Switzerland (Urs Schmid) with 3 votes - Sweden (Mats Söderkvist and Stefan Gillberg) with 3 votes	**Registered presence and total votes as follows:** - **Total votes:27** - **majority: 15**
2. Approval of the Agenda	Identified typo in the point 11 of the Agenda: "11. Appointment of new Auditors for financial statements (2024-2025)" that need to be corrected as follows: "11. Appointment of new Auditors for financial statements (Next Board Term)	**All present approved the change in the point 11 of the agenda**
3. Election of a writer of the minutes	The President proposes Peter Burri, Secretary General of EMF as Writer of the Minutes	**All present approved the appointment of Peter Burri as Writer of the minutes**
4. Election of 3 counters of votes	Identified 3 colleagues that offer their availability for being counters of votes: Verners Kirss, Stefan Gillberg, Simon Junker	**All present approved the appointment of Verners Kirs, Stefan Gillberg and Simon Junker as the 3 counter of votes**
5. Expulsion of members	No cases to discuss	---
6. Final acceptance of new members	No cases to discuss	---
7. Review and approval of the EMF annual reports (Board members reports)	All presents agreed to avoid readings of the individual relations of the exiting Board	**All presents approved the EMF annual Reports**

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8. Re- approval of the 2018 financial reports (as per Extraordinary DC Decision)	During last Extraordinary Delegates Conference it has been decided to: 1. ask to minigolf Costa Nova (P) for a dedicated report related to the utilization of the funds given by EMF. There report has been distributed to all Nations 2. ask WMF to receive the standard used for financing project that will have to be adopted by EMF as his own standard. The material has been gathered and in the first new Board Meeting it will be proposed for adoption 3. to put in approval the financials and the Discharge of the Board for the year 2018 (period 2019-2023 has been already approved in the last Extraordinary DC)	**All present approved the EMF Financial Report for 2018**
9. Discharge for the work of the Executive Members Committee for 2018 (as per Extraordinary DC Decision)	According to point 3 of the hereabove mentioned point it has been put in decision the Discharge for the work of the Executive Members Committee for 2018	**All present approved the Discharge for the work of the Executive Members Committee for 2018**
10. Review and approval of financial reports (2024-2025)	The President, acting temporarily as Finance Manager, illustrated the main driver of the Financial Report for 2024 and 2025 and the report of the Auditors certifying that there are no open issues	**All present approved the EMF Financial Report for the years 2024 and 2025**
11. Appointment of new Auditors for financial statements (2024-2025)	It has been noted that in the next point 19.h it is reported the election of the 2 new auditing nations, so the point has been cancelled	**All presents approved the cancellation of this point from the Agenda**
12. Approval and discharge for the work of the Executive Members Committee (2024-2025)	No comments received on this point	**All presents approved the Discharge for the work of the Executive Members Committee for 2024 and 2025**
13. Review and approval of the budget for next Board Term	The President, acting temporarily as Finance Manager, illustrated the main driver of the Budget prepared for the years 2026-2029 stressing that in the period of 3-4 years the financials remains in equilibrium thanks to the possibility to continue to host at least 1 tournament in Zaton, with a direct organization, leading to a relevant profit that compensate the extra costs related to referees in the other years.	**All present approved the Budget for the years 2026-2029**
14. Motions from EMF Members, EMF ExCo	No motions received	---
15. Championships Awarding (beyond +4 years from Delegates Conference)	No championships awarding above 4 years to approve	---

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16. Discussion and approval of the WMF Changes in the sport regulations and in the Entry fees for International Championships, significantly: a. Reduction of the number of team players for men team general class (from 6+1 to 5+1) b. Reduction of the number of team players for senior men team (from 6+1 to 5+1) c. Evaluation of application of the reduction of frequency and the number of team players for MCLF men team (from 6+1 to 5+1) that is not ruled in WMF new Championship scheme d. Generalized increase of entry fees for GC,SEN,MCLF from 100 to 150€ with potential application of a % of income share on the entry fees, as per new WMF Fee Catalogue e. For all the above, if approved, definition of the starting date	There has been a very interesting and relevant discussion on the point illustrated where all members and board members had the opportunity to discuss pros and cons of the various alternatives. a. Significantly it emerged 2 lines of discussion that has been put at votes: b. About General Class, Seniors (and for the future potentially also for Adventure Golf Championships, if any) to adopt the already effective WMF rules starting from the next Championships after 2026. This adoption is also extended to the increase of the entry fee from 100€ to 150€ from the same event. c. About MCLF: it is a common understanding that any decision taken now from EMF will requires to interact with WMF that has to amend his own rulebook for the part related to the "Continental Cup". So, to summarize it has been agreed that EMF will write a letter to WMF stating that EMF DC has agreed to reduce the number of male team players from 6+1 to 5+1 from 2028. To enable this decision effective from 2028 WMF will have to ask for an Extraordinary Delegates Conference to be held by end of 2027 for the approvals of the changes in the rulebook needed. It has been also agreed that it will be recommended to WMF to eliminate from the Rulebook the number of the Team Players allowing Continental Federation to rule about this point with the aim to adapt this criteria to the potentially different need of the various Continental Federations. It has also agreed that the increase in the entry fee from 100€ to 150€ will take effect from the MCLF immediately after the approval of the new rules and the reduction from 6+1 to 5+1 of the players. It has been also agreed that in case it will not be possible to have a WMF Extra DC by end of 2027, then the motions will have to be discussed for approval in the WMF DC of 2028 and consequently the new rules will take effect from 2029 d. Specifically about the increase of the entry fees from 100€ to 150€ it has been discussed the opportunity to adequate the standard contract of EMF that, actually, is not applying (like WMF) a percentage of the entry fee to increase the referees expenses coverage that actually is not enough to be financed only via the lump sum fee. It has been agreed that the board will have the power to decide case by case and according to the budget needs, the potential application of a Percentage on the entry fee, in the limit of the WMF amount (Max 40% of the Entry fee)	**Specifically according to the points in the agenda the votes casted as follows:** **a. General Class: Approved by all** **b. Seniors: Approved by all** **c. MCLF: approved the decision reported in the discussion box as follows:** - **Favorable: 23 votes** - **Contrary: 0 votes** - **Abstained: 4 votes (Germany)** **d. Generalized Increase of the entry Fee, as follows:** - **Favorable: 25 votes** - **Contrary: 2 votes (Norway)** - **Abstained: 0 votes** **e. This point has not been voted as a separate point but incorporated in each point discusses (see Discussion Box)**

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17. Determination of membership fees and adoption of the WMF fee catalogue	It has been proposed, as usual, to continue with the actual situation where EMF is adopting the WMF Fee catalogue	**All presents approved the utilization of the WMF Fee catalogue**
18. Establishment/dissolution of special committees	No decisions to be taken	---
19. Elections a. President pro-tempore b. Presentation of Candidacies c. Execution of elections d. Scrutiny e. Proclamation of: i. President ii. Secretary General iii. VP Finance iv. VP Sport v. VP Media vi. VP Seniors vii. VP Youth f. Election of Chairperson of the Legal Committee g. Election of Member of the Legal Committee h. Election of 2 Auditors nations	It started and handled the discussion about the appointment of the new Executive Committee, see below point to point the discussion according to the agenda: A. It has been proposed Achim Braungart Zink as President Pro tempore B. It has been asked to the present if there were availabilities to continue in the actual job for the existing Board Member and if there were further candidacies. In particular it has been registered the unavailability for another term in the Board for Peter Burri, Secretary General, and for Wil van Disseldorp, VP Seniors. The Conference attributed a remark for the valuable contribution and the job done during those years to the exiting Board Members. Ermes Franchini, Christian Gobetz and Henrique Sousa instead gave their availability to continue for another term. Switzerland offered the availability of Beat Wartenweiler to take the position of Secretary General. Germany offered the availability of Tobias Heintze as VP Finance and Jointly Gemany and Sweden offered the availability of Stefan Gillberg for the position of VP Seniors. No candidacies received for the position of VP Youth. C. It has been decided to proceed with open votes D. According to the votes casted the following in point E. are the results: E. Proclamation of elected: i. President: Ermes Franchini ii. Secretary General: Beat Wartenweiler iii. VP Finance: Tobias Heintze iv. VP Sport: Christian Gobetz v. VP Media: Henrique Souza vi. VP Seniors: Stefan Gillberg vii. VP Youth: Position remains Vacant The agenda continued under the Presidency of Ermes Franchini as new President Elect. F. Chairperson of Legal Committee: Germany offered the continuation of Michael Seiz. He has been appointed G. No candidacies has been proposed for the 2 position in the Legal Committee that remains vacant H. 2 auditors nations: Sweden offered to continue with the collaboration, Germany preferred to step back due to the presence of the new VP Finance also from Germany. After a quick round of table Denmark offered to take this responsibility as Auditing Nation. All approved the appointment of Sweden and Denmark as the two new auditors nations.	**All the following votes has been approved with unanimity, except where marked differently:** - **President: Ermes Franchini** - **Secretary General: Beat Wartenweiler** - **VP Finance: Tobias Heintze** - **VP Sport: Christian Gobetz** - **VP Media: Henrique Souza** - **VP Seniors: Stefan Gillberg (3 votes as Abstained from Sweden)** - **Chairman of the Legal Committee: Michael Seiz** - **2 Auditors Nations: Sweden and Denmark**

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20. Miscellaneous	President and VP Sport informed about the potential need to find an alternative solution for the MCLF 2027 in Zaton due to the works ongoing on the existing courses that actually has been removed. EMF is in close contact with the Management of the Venue to understand if they can grant that by May 2027 all the works are finished and the courses will be available for the tournament. It has been requested also to all Members to evaluate potential candidates for substitution of Zaton 2027 MCLF. Right after receiving new information from the Zaton Works from the Management we will release a specific info to all Members nations. On top of that, it has been reminded to all that, actually, we have no candidacies for MCLF finals 2028 and 2029 and for GC 2029, asking to all Members to evaluate potential candidacies.	---
21. Meeting Closure	With the greatest compliments to the newly elected and to all Members for the fruitful discussion held the meeting has been closed at 11:11. See you for the next DC at the General Class 2029!	---

Bischofshofen (A), August 17th, 2026

Minutes approved by

Ermes Franchini - EMF President

Peter Burri – Former EMF Secretary General and Elected Writer of the Minutes