

## UIAA Management Committee Meeting

### Shiraz, Iran 19-20 October 2017

“Informal Session”: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October (15:00-18:00): *\*For summary of session see point 11.*

Executive Session: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October (08:30-18:00)

#### Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017 08:30 – 12:30 Executive session

Executive Board Members					
FV	Frits Vrijlandt	Exec Board	President	Netherlands	Reg.
PF	Peter Farkas	Exec Board	Vice-President	Hungary	Reg.
PGO	Pier Giorgio Oliveti	Exec Board	Treasurer	Italy	Excused
HD	Hélène Denis	Exec Board	General Secretary	France	Reg.
TK	Thomas Kaehr	Exec Board	Marketing	Switzerland	Reg.
MB	Marc Beverly	Exec Board	Sports & Med	United States	Excused
YW	Yongfeng Wang	Exec Board		China	Reg.
Management Committee					
LF	Lucia Foppoli	CAI	Italy	5 biggest	Excused
JGT	Juan Garrigos Toro	FEDME	Spain	5 biggest	Excused
FJ	Francoise Jaquet	SAC	Switzerland	5 biggest	Reg.
GM	Gregory Moseley	MCSA	South Africa	Continetal Rep. Africa	Reg.
CP	Christine Pae	KAF	Korea	Continetal Rep. Asia	Reg.
AA	Anne Arran	BMC	UK	Continetal Rep. Europe	Reg.
SAG	Stuart Anthony Gray	NZAC	New Zealand	Continetal Rep. Oceania	Excused
PM	Peter Muir	ACC	Canada	Continetal Rep. North America	Reg.
ML	Martin Lascano	FASA	Argentina	Continetal Rep. Central & South America	Excused
GE	Georges Elzière	FFCAM	France	General Representative	Reg.
JK	Joseph Klenner	DAV	Germany	General Representative	Excused
YK	Yagihara Kuniaki	JMSCA	Japan	General Representative	Reg.
ZS	Zimba Sherpa	NMA	Nepal	General Representative	Reg.
RZ	Reza Zarei	I.R. IMSCF	Iran	General Representative	Reg.

### Commission Presidents

JJM	Juan J. Ibáñez Martin	FEDME	Access	Spain	Reg.
MA	Marija Andjelkovic	PSS	Anti-Doping	Serbia	Reg.
CT	Carlos Teixeira	FCMP	Ice Climbing	Portugal	Reg.
GR	George Rodway	AAC	Medical	USA	Excused
CA	Carolina Adler	NZAC	Mountain Protection	New Zealand	Reg.
CM	Claudio Melchiorri	CAI	Mountaineering	Italy	Excused
SL	Stephen Long	BMC	Training Standards	UK	Reg.
AC	Amit Chowdhury	IMF	Safety	India	Reg.
MD	Mark Dennison	BMC	Youth	UK	Reg.

### UIAA Office Bern – Staff

NG	Nils Glatthard	UIAA	Director of Operations		Reg.
SS	Stephanie Stettbacher	UIAA	Office Coordinator		Reg.

### Honorary members and Guests

CE	Claude Eckhardt	FFCAM	Honorary Member (Past UIAA General Secretary)	France	Reg.
ATS	Ang Tshering Sherpa	NMA	Honorary Member	Nepal	Reg.
JP	Jordi Pons	FEDME	Honorary Member	Spain	Excused
RM	Reinhold Messner	CAI/AVS	Honorary Member	Italy	
	Christian Tromsdorff	IFMGA	President (Guest speaker MSK)	Switzerland	Reg.

Chair: Frits Vrijlandt, UIAA President

Minutes: Stephanie Stettbacher

	Item	Content / Proposal	Decision
1	<b>Welcome by the President Members present (FV)</b>	Absent & Excused: <b>EB:</b> Pier Gorgio Oliveti Marc Beverly <b>MC:</b> Lucia Foppoli Joseph Klenner Joan Garrigos Martin Lascano Stuart Gray Peter Muir (late arrival)	
	<b>Welcome Honorary Members</b>	Claude Eckhardt & Ang Tshering Sherpa	
	<b>Welcome new DOO</b>	Nils Glatthard	
	<b>Declaration of Quorum and Majority</b>	13 members present, quorum is satisfied; 11	
2	<b>Approval of the Agenda (FV)</b>		<b>APPROVED</b>

3	<b>Approval of Minutes of previous MC meeting, Sheffield, UK</b>	Comment in green from Silvio Calvi: <u>Presents the report included in the minutes with the support of showed a movie</u> which is available on MC Portal.	<b>APPROVED</b>
3.1	<b>MC Minutes Brixen 13<sup>th</sup> October 2016</b>	Comments by Dave Custer in green: <b>Point 7.2 End of pg. 6.</b> DC ask to add to the already approved minutes: <u>It should be noted that the safety label is not a sponsorship situation/relationship. It should be noted that, regardless of SG's statement, the safety commission had not agreed to this increase.</u> Comments were approved. <b>Point 24 pg. 21</b> Our challenge is we need funding for our research and our meetings <u>The UIAA Safety Commission needs BOTH resources (funding) AND relationships .</u>	<b>APPROVED</b>
4	<b>Report by the UIAA President (FV)</b>	No comments	
5	<b>Report from the UIAA office (NG)</b>	6 employed staff / Full time job 4.2. Carol Kahoun will be replaced by Sport coordinator Rob Adie 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov. 2017	
	<b>Communication (NG)</b>	Website figures increases, information sharing on <a href="#">MC portal</a> & GA <a href="#">members portal</a> . Future plans: New series TSP Qualification system up and running, more video content. Please share your federations' projects, new and events! <a href="mailto:news@theuiaa.org">news@theuiaa.org</a>	
	<b>Marketing (NG)</b>	Finding sponsors for UIAA projects continues, a new structure for partnership has been created. UIAA branding has been clearly defined for our 3 pillars. Our Communications figures continue to grow. External help has been acquired to improve our sponsorship participation.	
6	<b>Finance (PF)</b>	New budget structure explained. Clearer picture of expenses for commission and operations presented. Membership fees have stayed constant. All projects are positive. IC Sponsorship helps UIAA keep its promise not to spend more than 10% on competition sport. We lost our sponsorship in sustainability at the last min.	
6.2	<b>New budget structure</b>		
6.3	<b>Recommendation for approval to the GA of 2018 budget</b>	2018 we are working at a -30,000 unless we can fill this gap. We will keep a close look at costs and sponsorship to help close this gap.	<b>APPROVED</b>
7	<b>Membership updates: (HD)</b>	Proposal for Future meetings MC 1.5 days. Presidents of com invited to MC meetings, and hold separate Pres. com meeting alongside the MC meeting with a controlled structure. Formal meeting will be 1.5 days	<b>APPROVED</b>
7.1	<b>MC Meetings: replacing 'informal' session with a formal session.</b>		
7.2	<b>Information regarding non-payment 2016 – 2017 (HD)</b>	<b>Azerbaijan AMF</b> <b>Georgia MCAG</b> –Silvio will contact <b>Malaysia PKN</b> <b>Armenia SNGO</b> (asks for solidarity fund)	<b>Action EB: do our best to get fees paid by end of year so not to be expelled.</b>
7.3	<b>Observer &amp; Associate Members Criteria (HD)</b>	The limit of 300 members for full members is only a recommendation, we can admit federations with fewer members if they are recognized by gov. prove to be sustainable, and are of importance considering the country. We have to be cautious that membership review is difficult after admission.	<b>Not to apply the recommended number of 300 to associate &amp; observer members</b>
7.4	<b>Solidarity fund Sri Lanka 'Observer' (HD)</b>	No financial documents supplied. Only 1 member, financing himself.	<b>Request financial docs. &amp; assurance of sustainability. No Solidarity fund support granted at this time.</b>
	<b>Armenia 'Observer'</b>	No financial documents supplied.	<b>Request financial documents, until the end of the year. EB will review &amp; decide if support of 500 Euro will be granted.</b>

7.5	<b>Malta Climbing Club (HD)</b>	Recognized by gov., 100 members, founded in 2010, Annual turnover 16,000 Euro, previously worked with BMC on projects, very small country of less than half a million inhabitants. .	<b>Recommend for full Membership</b>
7.6	<b>Good governance Conflict of interests &amp; Code of Ethics (HD)</b>	Peter Muir and Klara Dvorakova-Havlikova, LEWG president have done all they can. Office to pass it on to external advisor familiar with Olympic requirements.	<b>Both documents will be ready and presented at March MC, for recommendation to GA 2018.</b>
7.7	<b>TDF (PF)</b>	PF meet with TDF president, problems with member numbers has been solved.	
8	<b>Creation of a European Mountaineering Federation BMC motion</b>	BMC wanted the view of EB for the creation of EUMA, as many members are from European countries, and that this new federation formation was in fact relevant to all members in the GA.	
<b>Discussions: (FV)</b>		The UIAA invites open discussion with EUMA with all our member federations, last year in particular, at the GA 2016 all European members were invited for to meet and have discussions about a European Federation. The UIAA does not intend to interfere or to direct our member feds., they are independent and should do as they wish. The GA would have been a great opportunity for discussions with all our members.	
<b>(GM) MSCA</b>		It was mentioned from members outside the European Union this is not just a European problem. Correspondence on both sides has been unfortunate, and seems to be due to misunderstandings in the language. EUMA formation is something that affects us all. I have written an open letter to the MC (it is added to the MC portal). Africa, Oceania and North America offer arbitration to help solve the situation with a positive solution for everyone. Uniting all mountaineers under one body.	
<b>(FJ) SAC</b>		I fully understand the wants of European federations to create a body having representation in Brussels. It is disturbing that the 3 big federations did not come to the GA, nobody wants that they leave the UIAA, we should do everything we can to keep them on board and remain a big family.	
<b>(GE) FFCAM</b>		We must all remain inside the UIAA; my conviction is based on the last 3 years, where I have been to 3 European Union discussions on European policy for mountains, where all European mountaineering feds. were invited. European Union was clear, they expressed concerns about the need of NGOs to express their global approach to mountains, which may from private or political interests They need this cultural approach from us. So there's an opportunity now for UIAA to promote its goals vis a vis European Union and I suggest creating something as a European council inside.	
<b>(CP) KAF</b>		The UAAA is an independent union, we are under the UIAA umbrella as continental council, and for the last 4 years we have seen discussions on the founding of the EUMA, what is the result? Why the 3 major fed are not here to continue the discussions? More discussion is needed. In the UAAA budget we use this money to help the small organizations, support project and joint expeditions.	
<b>(FV)</b>		Our view is that we hope EUMA will be similar to UAAA, that it becomes an independent organization that collaborates with the UIAA, it would be a great initiative. At the end we should try to meet a mutual goal.	
<b>Conclusion</b>		Strong agreement was made that if a European federation is formed, that federations involved would still remain UIAA members. There was a general feeling that other members within the UIAA, possibly outside of Europe, should approach DAV, VAVOE and CAI, to try and continue a positive relationship and that they stay within the UIAA. We should delegate representatives that would work closely with them. (Possibly Anne Arran together with Peter Muir, Greg Mosely), We should appreciate the efforts of EUMA, they may in the future be able to help support the views of the EU members.	
9	<b>Rock Climbing Working Group (AA)</b>	Winner: International Climber's Festival in Lander, WY, USA. 4 day festival with over 1,000 participants, 37 States represented and 16 countries. We would like to concentrate on festivals in South America next year.	
10	<b>2016 – 2020 Strategic Plan (PF)</b>	Safety : progress in line with the SP; issues concerning their budget can be solved Sport: progress in line with the SP; IC future to become global Sustainability: less funds due to sponsorship withdrawn Finances: secure and ongoing structural improvements Communication & Marketing: in line and improved, sponsorship contracts look positive	

11	<b>Implementation of art 25-1: (TK)</b>	Review and re-define goals, tasks, structure, competencies, responsibilities and working procedures of commissions and working groups, focus on 3 S (Safety, Sustainability, Sports) WG: (6-8ppl) Thomas Kähr, Josef Klenner, Greg Moseley, Peter Muir, Georges Elzière ....	<b>Establish group of MC member who can work together to define strategies responsibilities and direction; present findings at MC Nepal 2018</b>
	<b>Decisions following the discussions held at the informal meeting 19 October 2017 (TK)</b>	Commissions projects based on federations needs Needs to be surveyed and evaluated systematically and regularly Create/improve knowledge and experience sharing e-platforms Intensify structured exchange between commission presidents: suggest to meet twice per year at MC, GA meetings Set up database for potential candidates for commission work with skills and experience Communicate success stories Reward best practice teams Apply professional project management tools Define roles of strategic, commission and office levels Improve planning process	<b>TK ,NG, CPs work together to develop procedure for future commission work and present first findings to MC Nepal March 2018</b>
12	<b>Election of Commission Presidents: Safety Commission Ice Climbing President</b>	Safety Commission President <b>Amit Chowdhury</b> IMF Ice Climbing Commission President <b>Carlos Teixeira</b> FCMP IC Vice President <b>Andrej Pecjak</b> PZS	<b>APPROVED</b>
	<b>Access Commission President terms</b>	Juan Ibanez extend his commission term to 2021 to be in line with his Presidential term	<b>APPROVED</b>
13	<b>Update: Proposal for a resolution / Alpinism as World Cultural Intangible Heritage (CE)</b>	The 3 countries that will apply for the proposal have been decided: France, Italy and Switzerland. There was positive support from member feds that will be included in the documents. Proposal will be submitted before March 2018. The MC supports and agrees to present it to the GA 2017.	<b>APPROVED</b>

**Session with Commission Presidents (13:30-18:00)**

14	<b>MSK: Mountain Safety Knowledgebase (Christian Tromsdorff)</b>	MC agreed that Christian Tromsdorff President of the IFMGA will present MSK. IFMGA, ENSM, Institute for Snow and Avalanche research AND IKAR has already signed an MOU with MSK. MSI is a non-commercial organization, acting in the general public interest as a non-profit organization, to provide up to date, peer reviewed information on best practice in mountain safety from experts in the field. MSI will exclusively be governed by the MSI members. Potential members are UIAA, IFMGA, ICAR, ENSA, SLF and others within the above defined scope. Access to the data is based on a yearly subscription model and on a volume based license model, depending on type of use of the data. With this MOU the association is moving forward together, with its partners, and will look toward the next year to evaluate the knowledgebase.	<b>Action EB: Look into this partnership, maintain participation without financial obligations and possibility to step back, also with clear intention to be informed of business model. Keep MC informed.</b>
15 15.1	<b>Continental reports Africa (GM)</b>	Transnational meets organized, reciprocal rights being actively pursued for African Clubs. Looking toward a formation of a confederation of African clubs. Current Issues being addressed: Kilimanjaro, expensive, unsafe, overcrowded, and corrupt. Glacial Systems at risk due to climate change.	
15.2	<b>Asia (CP)</b>	20 members from 16 countries. Annual meeting 2 times a year; June and October, as well as joint Asian expeditions. Also, new award of Sherpa of the year.	

15.3	Europe (AA)	WG has been developed to form a European federation. Benefits of this federation, lobbying aspect and grant funding. We would like to have more feedback from other European member federations. The formation of this federation has an effect on all the members of the UIAA. Therefore, we look forward to collaborate in the future.	
15.4	North America (PM)	1 <sup>st</sup> Climbing Medicine Symposium held in Toronto over the summer, endorsed by UIAA Medcom. It was a great success and will be continued in 2019. More info here <a href="http://www.climbingmedicine.com">www.climbingmedicine.com</a> First successful RTM held in Manitoba.	
15.5 15.6	Oceania (SG) Central & South America (ML)	Were not present, no presentations	
16	Sky running (SC)	Update with a presentation of movie of Skyrunning events. Events in 2017 were successful, including great support from Neda Dikic and UIAA/WADA for a detected anti-doping case. 2018 Skyrunning World Championship calendar TBA.	
17	Commission membership (SS)	Delegates nomination and re-nomination list presented	APPROVED
17.1a	IC Athletes commission (CT)	Gordon McArthur Canada ACC Nikolay Primerov Russia RMF Kendra Stritch USA AAC	ALL 3 APPROVED
17.2	Changes in Commission Regulation art 3-2 concerning Corresponding Members (HD)	-There is no Expert category in commission regulations nor AoA. However, Experts may be used in commissions according to the regulations. Experts will no longer be officially communicated on UIAA website. - Commissions should find incentives to have corresponding members participate more and become full members.	Art 3-2 No change Action Point: The goal is to have rules for all commissions. This will be presented to CPs at next MC
18 18a	Assessments of Commissions Access (JJM)	Access has worked with Peter Bourne, communication contributing stories on Access from around the world. We would like to develop guidelines for races around the world protecting the environment and nature. We look for more members.	
18b	Anti-doping (MA)	1 <sup>st</sup> case in IC with Russian athlete using Meldonium. For this he has been suspended for 4 years. This was the case of many Russian athletes using this drug as a vitamin supplement. We had great success with our online anti-doping education. 160 Athletes received certificates from the anti-doping education. We should work toward having all athletes complete this course. We will look into education for coaches of athletes.	
18c	Ice Climbing (CT)	Successful season 2016/17. Lessons learned: teach and share with other countries how to make the ice and technical construction. We need more focus on the UIAA branding at events. We introduced European World cups: 9 world cups, 1 Asian Championship and one Youth Championship.	
18c	Mountain Protection (CA)	Completion of RTM series and MPA award both successfully completed with a lot of coverage on social media and UIAA website. UIAA is now a partner with the united nations world tourism organization sustainable tourism program. We are looking at different sponsors and grants for support. We will also be present at the IF Forum in Lausanne in November 2017.	
18d	Mountcom & Mountain Training Qualification panel (SL)	Petzl handbook translated into Korean, Turkish, Mongolian; Japanese and Farsi versions are in negotiations. Looking forward to getting book made into an app. All our work is shortly ready to launch shortly.	
	Setting up of Separate Training Standards for some Climbing Regions (SL)	UIAA standards are international and were co-designed by members all over the world. Federations come up with a training program that works for them, we go and check that what they aspire to do is what they are achieving. Important to know: *There are many different levels, and we won't approve the higher levels until some of the lower levels have been already achieved. So this issue is not relevant.	
18f	Safety (AC)	Issues: Safety has many stakeholders, testing labs, manufactures and the end user. The UIAA creates an important umbrella where they all can meet. Research is important and needs funding. We also need to look outside Europe for building and developing UIAA Safety Labels. Marketing and branding is also needed to promote SL. Also new experts are needed in the commission.	There will be 20,000 funds made available for 2017 and 20,000 for next year 2018.

<b>18g</b>	<b>Youth (MD)</b>	We are in the process of updating older documents to encourage more interest, we are trying to establishing new events in different countries. We also would like to encourage youth participation at events in partnership with other commissions. It would be a good idea to cross coordinate and see in future how to combine events with other commission events.	
<b>19</b>	<b>Future meetings (FV)</b>	- Ang Tshering invites the MC to join at the Global Adventure Meeting which will be held along the MC meeting held in Nepal	<a href="#">Spring MC Management Committee Nepal NMA (23-25 March 2018)</a> <a href="#">Management Committee and GA, Mongolia (6 October 2018)</a>
<b>20</b>	<b>Other Business</b>	No other business was reported	