

## UIAA COMMISSION PRESIDENTS' AND EXECUTIVE BOARD ONLINE MEETING

TUESDAY, 17 AUGUST 2021, E-MEETING, 14.30 – 16.00 CEST

Abbreviation	First Name	Last Name	Country	Federation	Function	Present
ZB	Zoljargal	Banzragch	Mongolia	MNCF	EB	Absent
LB	Lode	Beckers	Belgium	CMBEL	EB	1
AC	Amit	Chowdhury	India	IMF	EB	1
MH	Mahmood	Hashemi	Iran	IRMSCF	EB	Excused
FJ	Francoise	Jaquet	Switzerland	SAC	EB	1
ML	Martin	Lascano	Argentina	FASA	EB	1
PM	Peter	Muir	Canada	ACC	EB	1
CA	Carolina	Adler	New Zealand	NZAC	CP - MPC	Excused
PG	Pavlos	Georgiades	Cyprus	CMCF	CP – Youth	Excused
LK	Lionel	Kiener	Switzerland	SAC	CP - SafeCom	1
UH	Urs	Hefti	Switzerland	SAC	CP - MedCom	1
SL	Steve	Long	UK	BMC	CP - Training	1
PF	Peter	Farkas	Hungary	MHSSz	CP - MountCom	Excused
MJ	Milosz	Jodlowski	Poland	PZA	CP - Access	Absent
CT	Carlos	Teixeira	Portugal	FCMP	CP - ICC	1
MA	Marija	Andjelkovic	Serbia	PSS	CP – AD	1
KD	Klara	Dvorakova	Czech Republic	CMLA	LEWG	Absent
JC	Jane	Carney	Ireland	MI	YouthCom	1
RA	Rob	Adie	UK	-	Office	1
PB	Peter	Bourne	UK	-	Office	1
NG	Nils	Glatthard	Switzerland	-	Office	1
CK	Carol	Kahoun	Switzerland	-	Office	1
SS	Stephanie	Stettbacher	Switzerland	-	Office	1
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**ITEM MINUTES**

**1. Welcome and opening remarks by the UIAA President and the Chair of the Commission Presidents' Panel**

- PM welcomes everyone and underlines the importance of having this meeting before the upcoming MC e-meeting on 21 August in order to hear inputs from CPs prior to discussions with the MC. This was suggested by many CPs previously and the EB wanted to pick this up accordingly.

**2. Approval of the meeting minutes, 1 May 2021**

- CT asks for comments regarding the last meeting minutes.
- SL remarks that the deadline for inputs to the Alpine Handbook has passed in July. Unless there is anything vital, we now have the final version.
- No other comments to the minutes.
- The minutes are unanimously approved.

**3. Approval of the agenda**

- CT asks whether there are comments or suggestions for this agenda. No comments received.
- The agenda is unanimously approved.

**4. Management Committee meeting, 21 August – agenda update**

- PM makes remarks regarding the agenda of the upcoming MC e-meeting on 21 August. One of the major items to be discussed are finances, namely the forecast 2021 and the budget 2022. This will further be elaborated on by FJ later. Another important item will be updates from the Executive Board Working Groups (WG), particularly the External Relations WG and the Commissions WG. The latter is led by AC, and in a next step CK will be coordinating individual meetings between PM, AC and each commission president. One of the main outtakes from the External Relations WG, was that some of those relationships are better served by a commission, rather than cared for by the EB or MC.
- **Commissions WG:** AC says the WG had excellent meetings and exchanges with CPs. The group has come up with a first report and would like to discuss these findings with the CPs on an individual basis. There are some areas of improvements, one of which is communication. It needs to be improved overall, considering interactions with member federations, but also within the UIAA amongst MC, EB and Commissions. There are specific areas the WG would like to address that concern some Commissions specifically and for that AC and PM want to meet with each CP individually.
- **External Relations WG:** LB mentions the UIAA has many external relations, which the WG with the support of the Office has compiled in one large masterfile. This is available to you, and should you be interested to know more about all external relations the group has identified, please contact the UIAA Office. In a second step, the WG has completed basic information sheets (BIRs) on each of those external relations. Particular thanks to the Carolina Adler for her help and valuable contributions. The group has now drawn up some conclusions and will be defining next steps soon.

**5. Finance: Forecast 2021, Budget 2022 – update, Q & A**

- PM first would like to thank CPs for their numerable inputs regarding the 2022 budget. He comments on the significant surplus in the forecast 2021, due to Covid and the lack of in-person meetings. From problems comes opportunities and the EB would like to encourage Commissions to look at and propose ready-to-tackle projects which could get realised still this year with some additional financing. The UIAA would like to support Commissions first and foremost in realising their initiatives and projects.
- FJ makes reference to the forecast 2021 that was sent ahead of the meeting. The accrual accounting method now used had been explained at previous meetings and has served well so far. She also seconds what PM explained earlier and would like to encourage CPs to contact the EB and Office as soon as possible to potentially invest in Commission projects this year. Regarding the budget 2022, FJ thanks CPs for sending in budget proposals in time. Based on these, the EB together with the Office were able to put together the overall UIAA budget 2022. The plan is to hold an in-person GA in 2022, which is reflected in the figures. Covid might change things yet again in 2022.
- SL asks by when the money budgeted for 2021 would need to be spent? FJ confirms it would need to happen within the calendar year, as Switzerland does accounts from Jan-Dec each year.
- No further questions are asked.

**6. Commission reports, format and timeline for Annual Report 2021**

- PB first reminds everyone that the digital version of the 2020 Annual Report had been released in May earlier this year. The print version was distributed in July. If anyone is still interested in a print copy, please get in touch with the Office.
- For the Annual Report 2021, the Communications WG (LB, NG, PB) are discussing enhancements and a table of content is soon to be defined. Post GA, the work on the 2021 edition will begin.
- Note that no written reports are required from CPs or CRs for the GA. Instead, as per the 2020 GA, reports and progress will be provided through interactive panel discussions.
- A Word template will be shared with CPs and Continental Representatives (CRs) to complete their 2021 report by December. Some of this template will carry generic information from the 2020 edition which can be modified as needed. The rest of the template will provide a guide for word length and subjects to cover. For Continental Representatives, this will hopefully help to have more consistent reports.
- In early 2022 a first draft for the AR 2021 will be circulated to finalise the content by March 2022 and get it approved at the MC spring meeting in May.

**7. UIAA General Assembly 2021, topics and panellists for moderated panels**

- NG shows the draft agenda of the General Assembly 2021, split across two days. Friday will be reserved for discussions and panel sessions. And Saturday will be dedicated to voting.
- For reports, and as previously mentioned by PB, the agenda foresees to stick to panel sessions with a professional moderator to allow for more interaction. For these sessions, CP input for topics and questions to be addressed would be welcome and valuable. Please contact the Office with any ideas and suggestions.
- As of right now, the first panel consists of EB WG chairs and the Office to discuss various findings of these EB WGs and progress made. The second and third panel would be reserved to Commission projects and activities. These are by no means set in stone, and again, suggestions would be welcome particularly in regard to topics, questions, and whom these panellists should be.

- NG underlines that the suggested session programme will be shared together with today's meeting minutes and feedback, ideas and inputs are welcome.
- SL explains MountCom will want to propose some topics for the panel discussions and asks how to proceed? MountCom will wish to get the proposed updates to the Tyrol Declaration highlighted at the GA in some way.
- NG asks to send any suggestions to the Office via email as soon as possible to be able to finalise the agenda in due time.
- NG finally shares the GA agenda for Saturday. He explains it is very similar to last year and going through statutory votes. The last items will deal with elections to the MC and Court, and finally lay out meeting plans for 2022 and beyond.
- No other comments or questions.

#### **8. Other business**

- PM explains the EB had anticipated more questions on the budget.
- CT wants to add that he wished all CPs had been here today. It is good to hear there is some slack in the budget for this and possibly the coming year. He asks whether anyone has further comments or questions.
- PM closes the meeting.