

FEDERATION COLOMBOPHILE INTERNATIONALE



MINUTES OF THE MEETING

XXXIX^e CONGRESS 2022 – ORADEA/ROMANIA

12.08.2022

A. Opening by the President:

At 13:10 Mr. Istvan Bardos, President of FCI opens the meeting and welcomes all delegates.

B. Statement of convocation in accordance with the statutes and assembly of the Congress:

The list of the federations present physically and online is attached

C. Approval of the agenda:

Congress approves the agenda.

Mr Krzysztof Kawaler noted that only 30 federations of the 68 member FCI federations were present.

He continued that this is not the required simple majority and consequently this Congress cannot make valid decisions.

At the request of the President, Mr. Philips, Secretary General, clarifies that indeed 68 federations are members of the FCI. However, it must be noted that 18 federations have not paid the FCI contributions 2021 and 2022.

This means that these 18 federations have no right to vote.

Article 26.3 of the FCI Statutes states:

A valid vote on the changes to the statutes requires a simple majority of the members with vote authorization being present in the Congress.

This means that there are 50 voting federations, a majority of which are present at this Congress, and consequently, the Congress can make decisions.

At the request of Mr. Krzysztof Kawaler, the list of federations that have not paid the FCI contributions 2021 and 2022 was read out, and the list was also handed over to Mr. Krzysztof Kawaler.

A discussion ensued as to whether these 18 federations can still remain members of the FCI.

Finally, based on the proposal of Mr Kawaler and Mr Tunduc, it is decided by unanimity that these 18 federations can no longer be members of FCI.

It concerns the federations

- Australia - Australian Pigeon Fanciers Association
- Canada - Canadian Racing Pigeon Union Inc.
- Colombia - Federacion Colombofila De Colombia
- Costa Rica - Asociacion Colombofila Nacional De Costa Rica
- Egypt -The Egyptian Pigeons Racing Federation
- Hong Kong - The Hong-Kong Pigeons Association Co.Ltd
- Ireland - Irish Homing Pigeon Union
- Latvia - Latvian Federation of Racing and Decorative Pigeons
- Mexico - Federacion Mexicana De Colombofilia A.C.
- Morocco - Federation of Morocco
- Nicaragua - Asociacion Colombofila e Nicaragua
- Philippines - The Philippine Homing Pigeon Association

- Qatar - Youth Hobbies Center (Racing Pigeons)
- Saudi Arabia - Saudi Federation For Homing Pigeon Racing
- Trinidad & Tobago - National Racing Pigeon Commission of Trinidad & Tobago
- Turkey - Turkish Pigeon Federation
- USA - ARPU - The American Racing Pigeon Union
- USA - IF - I.F. of American Homing Pigeon Fanciers inc.

D. Appointment of three members to check the minutes;

Congress is not making a decision on this.

E. Appointment of the tellers;

Mr. Philips, Secretary General of FCI, explains that electronic voting is possible both by the federations physically present and by the federations online.

The result of the voting will appear on the screen with mention of the federations.

The Congress decided that, consequently, no tellers need to be appointed.

F. -Approval of the minutes of the Congress of 25/1/2019

These minutes are approved unanimously without comments.

- Approval of the minutes of the online meeting of the Congress of 11/12/2020

These minutes are approved unanimously without comments

- Approval of the minutes of the online meeting of the Congress of 06/12/2021

These minutes are approved unanimously without comments

G. Reports of the Commissions;

- Veterinarian Committee

Dr. Elisabeth Peus, Chairwoman of the Veterinarian Committee gives an overview of the working of the Veterinarian Committee.

The report is attached to this report.

- Sports Committee

Mr. Matteo Grappa, Chairman of the Sports Committee gives an overview of the working of the Sports Committee.

The report is annexed to this report.

- Finance Committee

Mr. Scerri, Chairman of the Finance Committee gave an overview of working of the Finance Committee's.

The report is attached to this report.

H. Report of the President and the Director Committee;

Mr. Istvan Bardos, President of FCI gives an overview of the working of

- The Committee Director
- FCI World Championship
- FCI Grand Prix Competitions
- World Best Pigeon
- World Cup
- Intercontinental Cup
- Olympiad
- Exhibitions, conferences, meetings
- Online Conferences
- Animal Health
- Membership
- The basic thesis of observations and observance of Legality

Mr. Bardos also announced the projects that he will be working on with the Director Committee.

The full report is attached to this report.

Mr. Bardos continued

- FCI declaration of peace (to be attached to this report) There is a spontaneous applause.
- FCI Association of the Immortals (to be attached to this report) There is a spontaneous applause.
- Mr. Bardos stated that with the evolution of the pigeon sport in the different continents, it is necessary that the structure of the FCI is adapted. The sample is the FIFA model. Mr. Bardos explained his idea by means of a PowerPoint presentation. Mr. Bardos will present these idea at the meetings with the federations, confederations.
- Mr. Bardos clarified, that the development of own IT platform of FCI necessary, and also the development of the communication system is very important.
- Mr. Bardos announced to establish a Heritage- Cultural and Training Center for Racing Pigeon Sport in Belgium.

I. Submission of the consolidated and revised balance sheet and financial statements, and annual accounts;

No comment is noted in this regard.

J. Report of the Audit Commission;

No comment is noted in this regard

K. Approval of the annual accounts;

Congress approves the annual accounts without comment.

I. Approval of the budget;

The budget is approved without comment by Congress

M. Suspension or expulsion of a member

This issue was already treated at the beginning of the Congress

N. Approval of the annual amount of the FCI membership fee (art. 57 FCI Statutes)

Mr. Scerri explains that there are no changes in the annual amount of the FCI membership fee.

Congress unanimously approves the annual amount of the FCI membership fee - as attached to this report

0. Voting on the suggestions relating to the amendments of the statutes and their appendices (art. 26 FCI Statutes)

1. approval proposal amendment article 1 FCI Statutes

**- movement of the official address of FCI
to Hasseltsesteenweg 61E, 3720 Kortesseem - Belgium**

Congress unanimously approves this new FCI official address.

2. approval proposal amendments FCI Statutes submitted by the Committee Director

The proposed amendments to FCI Statutes as submitted by the Committee Director are unanimously approved by Congress.

Mr. Tunduc wants to make two proposals

1. The FCI elections can only be done in a physical Congress.

After a brief exchange of views, the vote will take place.

The result of the vote is as follows

votes for : 10

votes against: 18

abstentions: 0

Invalid votes: 2

Consequently, this proposal was not accepted

2. Each candidate member for the FCI Committee Director and candidate member for the different FCI commissions must be supported by his federation.

The Congress accepted unanimously this proposal

3. approval proposal amendments annex 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 of the FCI Statutes
-submitted by the Committee Director

The Congress unanimously approves.

4. approval annex 5 statutes: disciplinary rules

The Congress unanimously approves.

P. Vote of the Chairmen of the Commissions or dismissal of the Chairman of the commissions

1) Resignation, for medical reasons, from Mr. Jean-Pierre Nell as Chairman of the Finance Committee (art. 30.3 FCI Statutes)

The Congress takes note of the resignation of Mr. Nell as Chairman of the Finance Committee.

2) Election of Mr. Charles Scerri as Chairman of the Finance Committee (Art. 30.3 FCI statutes)

The Congress unanimously elects Mr. Charles Scerri as Chairman of the Finance Committee

3) Resignation, for professional reasons, from Mr. Maurice van der Kruk as chairman of the Doping Committee (art. 30.3 FCI Statutes)

The Congress takes note of the resignation of Mr van der Kruk as Chairman of the Doping Committee

**4) Election of Mr. Henk De Weerd as Chairman of the Doping Committee
(art. 30.3 FCI Statutes)**

The Congress unanimously elects Mr. Henk Deweerd as Chairman of the Doping Committee.

Q. Vote of the Chairman and the members of the Audit Commission or dismissal of the Chairman and the members of the Audit Commission

**1) Resignation of Mr. Charles Scerri as Chairman of the Audit Commission
(Art. 37 FCI Statutes)**

The Congress takes note of the resignation of Mr. Scerri as Chairman of the Audit Commission

**2) Election of Mr. Gasper Tompa as Chairman of the Audit Commission
(art.37 FCI statutes)**

The Congress unanimously elects Mr. Gasper Tompa as Chairman of the Audit Commission

3) Election of the members of the Audit Commission (art. 35.4 FCI Statutes)

- **Mr. Macus Mihajlo (Serbia)**

- **Mr. Huang Jian (China)**

The Congress unanimously elects Mr. Macus Mihajlo and Mr. Huang Jian as members of the Audit Commission

R. Election of the members of the Disciplinary Committee (art. 43.4 FCI Statutes)

- **Mr. Florin Bilan (Romania)**

- **Mr. Francesco Malvicini (Italy)**

- **Dr Ferenc Gerencser (Hungary)**

The Congress unanimously elects Messrs. Florin Bilan, Francesco Malvicini, and Ferenc Gerencser as members of the Disciplinary Committee

S. Election of the members of the Appeal Committee (art. 43.4 FCI Statutes)

- Ms. Lana Stevic (Serbia)

The Congress unanimously elects Ms. Lana Stevic as a member of the Appeal Committee.

T. Appointment of Mr. Jean-Pierre Nell as Honorary Member of FCI.

The Congress unanimously appoints Mr. Jean-Pierre Nell as Honorary Member of FCI

U. Appointment of Mr. Stefaan Van Bockstaele as Honorary Vice-President of FCI

The Congress unanimously appoints Mr. Stefaan Van Bockstaele as Honorary Vice-President of FCI

V. Admission and revision of members

- 1. Iraq - Federation for Racing Pigeons Sport Iraq**
- 2. Vietnam - Pigeon Racing Association of Vietnam**
- 3. Jordan - Jordan Club for Racing Pigeons**
- 4. Belarus - Belarus Social Union of Sport and Show Pigeons Federation**
- 5. San Marino - Pigeons San Marino Association**
- 6. Ecuador - Asociacion Colombofila De Cuenca - ACC Cuenca - Ecuador**
- 7. Iran - Iranian Racing Pigeons Federation**
- 8. Palestine - Palestinian Union for Racing & Pigeons Sporting**
- 9. Paraguay - Sociedad Colombofila Paraguaya**
- 10. Bolivia - Federacion Colombophilia Bolivia - F.C.B.**
- 11. Algeria - Algerian Association of Bird Breeding**

Mr. Bardos proposed to accept the accession of the above 11 new federations.

The Congress accepts unanimously the federations of Iraq, Vietnam, Jordan, San Marino, Ecuador, Iran, Palestine, Paraguay, Bolivia, Algeria.

An exchange of views takes place among the Members on whether or not to accept the federation of Belarus and whether or not the federation of Russia should be suspended as a member of FCI.

About Russia there were no vote, because it was not on the agenda of the congress.

Finally, a vote will be taken on whether to accept the Federation Belarus Social Union of Sport and Show Pigeons Federation as a member of FCI.

The result of the vote is as follows

Votes for the acceptance: 15

Votes against the acceptance: 8

abstentions: 5

invalid votes : 2

(the results of the vote is attached)

Consequently, the Belarus Social Union of Sport and Show Pigeons Federation is accepted as a member of FCI.

Mr. Krzysztof Kawaler noted that the federation of Hong Kong has voted, while this federation was excluded because the FCI contribution 2021 and 2022 was not paid.

Also, the federation of Ecuador voted.

Mr. Krzysztof Kawaler urges for a vote with a show of hands.

A short exchange of views on this subject took place among the Members, after which Mr. Krzysztof Kawaler left the meeting.

Ukraine - Ukrainian National Federation of Pigeon Sport

Regarding the Ukrainian National Federation of Pigeon Sport federation, Mr. Bardos clarified day since 2019 an internal conflict is going on.

Two federations are working together in the Ukrainian National Federation of Pigeons Sport and they do everything possible to promote pigeon racing in Ukraine.

The Congress unanimously accepts the Ukrainian National Federation of Pigeon Sport as the representative of Ukraine in FCI.

**Confederation MRPC - Mediterranean Racing Pigeon Confederation and
Confederation UWEPA - United West European Pigeon Association**

Mr. Bardos continued that two confederations are requesting affiliation to FCI :

- Confederation MRPC - Mediterranean Racing Pigeon Confederation
- and
- Confederation UWEPA - United West European Pigeon Association

The Congress unanimously accepts these two confederations.

India - All India Homing Pigeon Federation (AIHPF)

Mr. Bardos then gives more details about India.

India is a big continent and it is impossible that 1 federation can organize all the pigeon sports activities of this large continent.

Therefore, it is proposed to accept a second federation India - All India Homing Pigeon Federation (AIHPF).

Both federations can participate at the Congress, but they have only one vote of the bigger federation.

The Congress unanimously accepts the All India Homing Pigeons Federation (AIHPF)

**Albania - Albanian Racing Pigeons Federation
Bulgaria - Bulgarian Racing Pigeon Federation**

Mr. Bardos stated that in Albania and Bulgaria there are currently differences of opinion between the federations

In order to give a solution in the interest of the pigeon sport in these 2 countries
Mr. Bardos proposes to create a committee consisting of 2 - 3 members of the Committee
Director.

This commission will have the task to reconcile the federations and let them work together in
the interest of the pigeon sport in their country. The dossier has to be ready at the latest
31st December of 2022.

Mr. Matteo Grappa is proposed as Chairman of the Committee on Albania.

Mr. Marius Tunduc is proposed as Chairman of the Committee on Bulgaria.

The Congress unanimously accepts this proposal from committees.

Meanwhile, both federations in Albania and Bulgaria can use the FCI rings.

Mr. Bardos announced that the next Olympiad will take place in the Netherlands.

Mr. Ben Geerink, president of the Dutch Federation clarified that the Olympiad will take
place in Maastricht on January 26, 27 and 28, 2024.

He invites everyone to this Olympiad

The Congress thanks Mr. Tunduc for the organization of this Olympiad in Oradea.

There is a spontaneous applause.

Mr. Bardos thanked everyone and closed the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

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COUNTRY	DELEGATE PHYSICALLY PRESENT
Austria	Walter Straif
Belgium	Dany Vandenberghe
Bosnia Herzegovina	Adnan Jahic
Croatia	Branko Gorupec
Czech Republic	Jaroslav Novotny
Dubai	Ahmed Hamad Obaid Khamis Alshehhi
France	Benoit Cailliez
Germany	Harald Herbach
Hungary	Hegyi György
Italy	Debernardi Claudio
Kosvo	Alex Blacka
Malta	Michael Saliba
Poland	Krzysztof Kawalar
Portugal	Almerindo Moreira Mota Santos
Romania	Zamfir Sorin
Serbia	Gromilovic Igor
Slovakia	Daniel Dudzik
Slovenia	Gasper Tompa
Spain	Tomas J. Montiel Luis
The Netherlands	Ben Geerinck

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COUNTRY	DELEGATE ONLINE
Argentina	Frederico Arias
Brazil	Elias Da Silva Santana
China	Huang Jian
Great Brittan - RPRA	Leslie Blacklock
Hongkong	Chen Wanjun
Israel	Ory Rosner
Kuwait	Mohammad Alfezeir
Montenegro	Milos PejkoVIC
Russia	Elena Lyubimtseva
South Africa	George Le Roux
Switzerland	Jean Pierre Nell
Peru	

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COUNTRY	DELEGATES CANDIDATE MEMBERS PHYSICALLY PRESENT
Ukraine	Yaroslav Mykhalets
Bulgaria	Ivan Pavlov
Albania	Kujtim Beqja
San Marino	Alessandro Segnini Bocchia Di San Lorenzo

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COUNTRY

DELEGATE CANDIDATE MEMBERS ONLINE

Ecuador

Oscar Ochoa

Iraq

Alla Hikmat Fadhil

CONGRESS 12/8/2022 BUREAU

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VICE-PRESIDENTS

David BARROS MADEIRA

Marius TUNDUC

MEMBERS

Daniel KRAJCIK

Franz MARCHAT

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Sport Commission

Matteo GRAPPA

Finance Commission

Charles SCERRI

Vet. & Scientific Commission

Elisabeth PEUS

General Secretary

Geert PHILIPS

Summary of the activities of the FCI Veterinary and Science Commission

Aug 2022, Oradea, Rumänien, Elisabeth Peus

Big “thank you” to the commission members, specially Pascal Lanneau.

We have investigated a lot of work in recent years and have been able to achieve helpful changes in the field of pigeon **transport** in the EU. [The original 2021 laws would have stop complete pigeon racing.]

We try to separate pigeons from poultry, a **definition** problem for carrier pigeons. Problems are in the food-, nutrition-, drug-, transport-, disease laws and so on. (Somewhere carrier pigeons are captive birds, partially poultry, rare pets: e.g. Belgium, Federaal Agentschap voor de Veiligheid van de Voedselketen: carrier pigeons = non-food-chain, e.g. German drug law: carrier pigeon = pet bird, e.g. EU nutrition: all pigeons = food animal, avian flu: pigeon = captive bird)

We have investigated a lot of work into **bird flu/ avian influenza** for years. *Columba livia* is epidemiologically irrelevant. [different view from poultry industry is the big problem: It is easier to ban everything than to pay attention to smaller interest groups or hobbies.] WHAO will be discussing our issue at the September 2022 meeting.

We establish good **contacts** with the European Commission and Committees, World Health Organization for Animals (WHAO) und national Governments, other associations like Flying Pigeon Union, Ornamental Breeders Federations and Small Animal Fanciers. Close contact is also maintained with the veterinarians of the federal states and the IVPA (International Pigeon Vets)

- European Flying Pigeons: Franco Visonà, Switzerland, President of the EFU. He was able to achieve further significant improvements in the transport of pigeons in 2022 (flying exhibitions)
- European Small Animal Association: Erik Apperlo, chair of the EE subcommittee on animal health and welfare - <https://www.entente-ee.com/de/>

We are also working on the topic of **Pigeon-Paramyxovirus / Poultry-Newcastle Disease**. Pigeon PMV is endemic. (Here our interests are congruent with those of the poultry industry: NO one in politics or business wants it to be confused with ND)

- The two animal diseases are the main reason why there are any problems for pigeons, for example in transport. Therefore, these issues must also be worked on because of the transport, exhibitions, sales and so on.
- One way could be an individual pigeon passport.

ORADEA CONGRESS

Good evening, Mr President and dear delegates,

It is an honor for me to stay here and first at all I would like to thank to Rumanian federation fir the excellent organization and the Sport Committee members to support me in these 3 years.

As you know the Sport Committee has many tasks and we are working hard to try to achieve our goals. Of course, the pandemic situation does not help us, but we have worked during this period too because our sport cannot stopped and we would like to not affect a lot our fanciers.

I don't want to bore you too much with the work we have done but let me summarize the most important things that Sport Committee have done.

- 1) OLYMPIC CRITERIA. In full partnership with standard committee, we arranged the Olympic Criteria in order to reduce the confusion and extend the participation. From 2019 all Olympic categories have the same minimum number of participation (20) and the same minimum number of pigeon (150);
- 2) WORLD BEST PIGEON. From the first time of my work as a Chairman of Sport Committee I tried to find a competition could allow maximum participation without the problems related with transport and so on...We would like to have a real International (global) competition. So also thanks to the President guidelines from 2019 was created the World Best Pigeon.....a FCI competition where every countries can join..... during this year we arranged the categories but in general the criteria are same to the Olympic categories and any country can participate in one two or all categories based on their possibilities. The participation it is very easy because any affiliated federation just must send the results according with the regulations and every fancier will receive the FCI diploma. In 2021 we had 30 federations from Africa, Europe, Asia, South America, Middle east.....and we count that every year we will have more and more countries!
- 3) GRAND PRIX. As you know this is one of the most important FCI event and any years involved hundreds of fanciers and thousands of pigeons all over the world. Every year the number of Grand prix OLRs, the number of participant and pigeons is growing, in 2022 we have 42 OLRs operating (with the first from middle east-Kuwait)! In order to improve more and more and make the competition more professional since the end of 2021 we have started a management transformation. On February we had the first **controller training** so now we have a group of professional controllers that help us and the owner to have a professional loft management. To increase the quality of FCI loft from 2022 we have started with an **evaluation of the loft** and every year we will have a ranking loft.

Finally, given the importance that Grand prix is assuming, starting from the next Olympic event we will have a **new category** dedicated to pigeons who competed in the FCI OLRs and which will be selected during 2022 and 2023 seasons.

- 4) WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP. This is another important FCI competition who connect all affiliated federation in an important race. Every year is set up in a different country (2022 in Portu-

gal-Mira). To improve this event in 2022 we have arranged the regulations thanks to good remarks by Portugal federation.

- 5) OTHERS COMPETITION. To create more possibilities, we have started to sponsor and support some “regional” or “continental” event like **European Championship** (2022 in Mira, Portugal), **World Cup** (China), **International Cup** (China) and **AILAC Cup** (South America). From 2022 we arranged the regulations of European Championship that are the base for all “regional” and “continental” Competition, and we hope in the next future we will have more competition (we are working to organize in Middle east).

Before concluding I would like to say you that the Sport Committee is always available to receive remarks and proposal because only if we work together we can improve more and more our sport!

Thank you for your attention and I wish you a lot of fun in this wonderful Olympics.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AUGUST 2022 - ORADEA

Background Information

I was appointed chairman of this committee in June 2019 taking over from Mr. Nell, who resigned due to health reasons

At that time the FCI had a contract with the DNF accounting office in Antwerp to prepare the bookkeeping and all related accounting matters.

DNF accounting office did not fulfill the contract and thus this contract had to be terminated. Various e mails from Mr. Scerri and Mr Philips to this office remained unanswered. A meeting was held with FCI (represented by Mr. Bardos, Mr. Scerri and Mr. Philips) and DNF on the 26/2/2020 in Antwerp.

In order to be able to present the accounts for the year ending 31st December, 2019 it was decided in August, 2019 that Mr. Scerri would take on this responsibility and prepare the bookkeeping and accounts himself. This was discussed and approved by FCI chairman Mr. Bardos. Mr. Scerri will do this function on a voluntary basis at no cost to FCI except for travel costs and hotel costs to attend FCI meetings.

Changes Effectuated

Since the beginning the Finance committee made changes to the way that the accounting was being presented to the board. From a cash basis system FCI moved to an accrual basis system thus reporting the Income and Expenditure of the organization together with the Statement of Affairs as at the date of reporting.

The main aim of the committee was to reduce costs, increase revenue and apply the surplus in a diligent way.

In the absence of procurement rules, the committee presented a procurement procedure. These procedures were approved at board level. The following applies;

- expenses up to 500 Euros: can be done by
 - the president of the FCI
 - the chairman of a committee
 - the general secretary
 - three quotes must be obtained

- expenses 501 to 2000 Euros : can be done by
 - the president of the committee
 - the chairman of a committee AND approved by the FCI President
 - three quotes must be obtained

- expenses from 2001 to 10,000 Euros: must be approved by
 - the FCI President, the Chairman of the Finance Committee and the General Secretary
 - three quotes must be obtained

- expenses above EUR 10,000:
 - a tender must be issued

Covid 19

Due to the pandemic, it was not possible to meet in person and thus the committee was not meeting. However, financial reports were presented to the board on a periodical basis where the chairman of the Finance committee presented and explained to the board the financial statements.

The current finance committee is made up of :
Jose de Oliveira Jordan, Jose de Sousa, Matteo Grappa, Jan Kawaler.

Financial Indicators

The financial statements for the year ending 31st December 2021 are being attached to this report. These statements have already been presented to the FCI board and to the FCI audit committee.

Income & Expenditure			2019	2020	2021
Revenue					
Affiliation Fees			18978	20402	15978
Ring Contributions			154970	165116	164157
Grand Prix Income			50254	61235	76723
Other			59688	28953	61130
			283890	275706	317988
Expenditure			144295	91154	118132
Excess Income over Expenditure			139595	184552	199856
Statement of Affairs			2019	2020	2021
Amounts owed by One Loft Races			1318	0	3395
Amounts owed for Ring Contribution			6530	21846	0
Amounts owed by Federations			51728	5918	7243
Cash in Hand			9077	9147	11231
Bank			198526	349833	577363
Creditors			26393	7337	19969
Net Assets			240786	379407	579263

Conclusion

As can be noticed over the last three years, the finances of the FCI improved substantially. This was the result of the objectives which the committee set out at the beginning of its term.

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Report of the President

In 2019, the Congress elected a new presidency, which began its work on the basis of the principles set out in the status.

Director Committee

Instead of the previous 2 Committee Directors /CD/ meetings of the previous year, the CD met 4 times in 2019 in order to work efficiently. As a result of COVID, the work of the presidency has changed: in February 2020, we were able to hold a presidency meeting for the last time in person. We then held online meetings, almost monthly.

From Oktober 2020 we started to work with personal, online and hybrid meetings.

- Oktober 20, 2020, online meeting Committee Director
- November 20, 2020, online meeting Committee Director
- December 4, 2020, online meeting Committee Director
- February 11, 2021 : online meeting Committee Director
- March 4, 2021, online meeting Committee Director
- April 1, 2021, online meeting Committee Director
- June 6, 2021, online meeting Committee Director
- July 5, 2021, online meeting Committee Director
- July 31- August 1. 2021 hybrid meeting placed in Budapest
- Oktober 25, 2021, online meeting Committee Director
- April 1 and 2, 2021, Hybrid meeting Committee Director in Oradea
- May 16, 2021, Hybrid meeting in Vilvoorde

The agenda items for the meetings can be found on the FCI website.

The main events and achievements of the 2019-2022 period are as follows:

1. As the President of the FCI, I also paid special attention to the **organization of the pigeon sports competitions**. I consider it an important achievement and a success for all of us that.

A. In accordance with tradition, the following have been organized:

FCI World Championships: World Championships were organized as they were planned :

2019. Tianjin—China

2020. Arad- Romania

2021. Belgrad- Serbia

In 2022 the World Championship will be organized in Mira- Portugal.

FCI Grand Prix OLR competitions

The number of Grand Prix OLRs , the number of participants and the pigeons is growing dynamically, with 42 FCI Grand Prix OLR-s currently operating. I believe that this is one of the defining areas of the development of the pigeon sport, which is why the management of the Grand Prix has been transformed.

From 2021 we make big steps in cace of development the FCI Grand Prix:

- Grand Prix Olympic Category from 2024
- Reform of control: trained controllers for whole year
- Evaluation of lofts

B. New races have started despite the pandemic, such as:

World Best Pigeon

World Cup (In China)

Intercontinental Cup (In China)

C. At the national level, almost all of our member states have been able to complete their **national programs** at some level

D. Olympiad:

The 2021 Olympiad was postponed 2 times:

1st to January 2022. Oradea, Romania

2nd to August 2022. Oradea, Romania

The reason: the pandemic situation: In wintertime was no possibility to organize any international events because of the restrictions.

The 2023 Olympiad was postponed by Director Committee and accepted by congress to 2024 January in The Netherlands.

In memoriam Richard Groß, former President of German Federation and General Advisor of the FCI President, the Director Committee established the Challenge Cup Richard Gross for the best nation in standard category.

2. Exhibitions, conferences, meetings

While in 2019 and early 2020 all planned national and international exhibitions were held, after March 2020, no events could be held either in Europe or on any other continent.

Our last major international events were:

- February 2020 Regional Conference Doha - Qatar
- September- October 2021 3 meetings with the owners of FCI GP OLR-s
- February 2022 Standard Judgment Budapest, Hungary

Following veterinary FCI conferences were organized:

- January 2019 Poznan - Poland
- March 2019 Gelsenkirchen - Germany
- March 2020 Warsaw - Poland

Online Congresses

1. On December 11, 2020, we held the **1st Congress of the FCI Online**, which according to our current status and Belgian law could not make final decisions, but was a very important information forum and strengthened the cohesion and perseverance of our community during the pandemic.
2. On December 16, 2021 we held the 2nd Online Congress of FCI, which made the necessary decisions:
 - Confirmed to postpone the Olympiad 2021 exceptional to August 2022
 - The next olympiads will be organized every two years starting from 2022
 - postpone the regular Congress 2021 to August 2022
 - The next regular Congress will be organized every two years starting from 2022
 - Consequently the elections of the FCI Board will be held on the Congress in 2024
 - The members of the permanent Commissions will be renominated by the new Committee Director, that is elected on the Congress in 2024.

3. Animal health

For the first time since its inception, the FCI has successfully taken action at the European Union decision-making level to protect the interests of the pigeon sport by preventing the entry into force of the 21-day quarantine transport regulation. Many of our associations have taken an active part in this work - I would like to thank them in particular, I also consider the work of the head of the Health Committee to be outstanding and I appreciate it!

4. Membership

Increasing the number of FCI member associations is our important task and responsibility. Compared to our number in 2017, the number of FCI member federations has increased by 10 federations, and 11 federations are still waiting to participate in the work of the FCI as full members, which means that the number of our member federations exceeds 80.

Regarding the membership: those members who are not active at all, and don't fulfill the requirements of the FCI, they will be given 2 years to reactivate themselves, take part regularly in the activities of FCI, and fulfill the necessary requirements. If not, it will be proposed that they should be expelled from FCI.

5. The basic thesis of observance and observance of legality

- a. **Protecting the FCI logo:** Protecting the symbols of the right and duty of every organization: We have registered full legal protection for the use of the FCI logo throughout Eu and USA, while it is being recognized in China. We are working on it together with CRPA.
- b. As a result of a decision by the Belgian federation, the FCI had to **change offices and headquarters in March 2020**. The FCI presidency has voted for the places of the new headquarters and the office. The FCI become fully independent of all member organizations. Base on this decision the office operating in Budapest, and the change of headquarters need to be approved by Congress.
The board decided to keep the FCI official address in Belgium : Hasseltsesteenweg 61E, Kortesseem 3720 and the FCI office in Budapest - Hungary.
- c. **We have gained validity for the uniform use of rings**, so with internationally comparable results, we can announce actual international winners in our competitions. The FCI logo can only be used on rings by FCI member associations and the FCI GP OLR-s.

Together with the Committee Director, we will work on the following issues:

- Development of a ring registration system / which eliminates the problems of the current system: it is also a guarantee for national associations and ring manufacturers /
- Introduction of an FCI registration number and an FCI membership card, which would bring significant benefits (to by on less price the products, which belong to pigeon sport like:food, medicine, cage, ETS) to individual members
- Modernization of the Doping rules

- Modernization of the Ring rules
- Modernization of the sport rules
- Influence of climate change on the pigeon sport
- Create the fundamental basis to develop a Cultural Heritage and Training Center of Pigeon Sport in Belgium
- Reform the communication and marketing of FCI
- Independent development of a high-quality Internet platform managed and owned by the FCI: able to support the registration, the permissions, payments - based on automatization)
- Create a Professional Committee Olympiad : To help ensure the proper conduct of the Olympiad, a Professional Committee Olympiad need to be installed, that will work together with the organizing federation.

I believe that bold steps are needed for the development of the pigeon sport. In order to move on – and stay strong, we need to act and appear at a higher level. A XX century's method is not appropriate for our time anymore. If we want to be successful, if we want the pigeon sport to be not only history but also present and future, then let us do so!

Istvan BARDOS

President FCI



FCI Declaration for Peace

No one would hesitate to put peace at the top of the list of the greatest values on earth!

Everyone knows that it is not enough to wish for peace and that the road to peace is actually full of obstacles. Peace would be attainable if all peoples and all governments continued their efforts without pause to create the atmosphere necessary for the consolidation of peace. It is necessary for everyone to let the other know what is in their hearts.

Our common interest in pigeon breeding unites us with bonds of friendship.

We are proud of our love for pigeons. The pigeon is the animal that was already depicted above Christ's head as a holy symbol of peace.

I am convinced that this Olympics, with its friendly atmosphere, is a step on the path to peace. Persistent international problems are rooted in a lack of trust between nations. In my opinion, "a single pigeon does more for peace than a thousand-word treaty".

This Olympics will be held next door to war-torn Ukraine, which is being bombed, mined, and destroyed by firearms every day. This Olympics remains a historic date in racing pigeons and reminds us all not to forget:

Peace is in constant danger!

Today, at this Olympics, I make the following motion: "In the spirit of compassion, we will help and comfort the weak and defenseless, regardless of national borders, differences in political or economic systems, and ideological and religious beliefs. We work for a peaceful world. Hundreds of millions of people around the world want to see " pigeon without borders" as a symbol of peace.

We dream of our earth becoming a world of peace and harmony!

FCI Association of The Immortals

The Association of the Immortals is established by the FCI Congress and based on the proposal of the FCI President.

The Association's Permanent Members are chosen by the FCI Congress from the pigeon fanciers who, with their talent, manifest successful work as breeders and competitors. Their support of the racing pigeon sport, and their personal achievements have done a lot to promote the racing pigeon sport and spread its reputation both nationally and internationally. Post-humous and living pigeon fanciers can be nominated in these categories: breeders and competitors. Obtaining the Permanent Membership is a great honor, even for the greatest racing pigeons fanciers.

Proposals for membership of the Association of the Immortals can be submitted by the FCI National Associations and the FCI Presidency, which is approved by the FCI Congress.

The membership is honorary and perpetual, with which we pay tribute to the world's greatest racing pigeon fanciers and preserve their memory. We immortalize the immortals in the FCI archive with a photograph. We always publish them in the history of the FCI and on the FCI website and publications.

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- until the 2000s
- From 2001 to the present day

Congress entrusts the president with the detailed elaboration of the recognition.

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Less than 250 members	€ 50,00
251 to 1.000 members	€ 100,00
1.001 to 5.000 members	€ 200,00
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10.001 to 20.000 members	€ 400,00
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40.001 to 50.000 members	€ 700,00
Over 50.000 members	€ 800,00

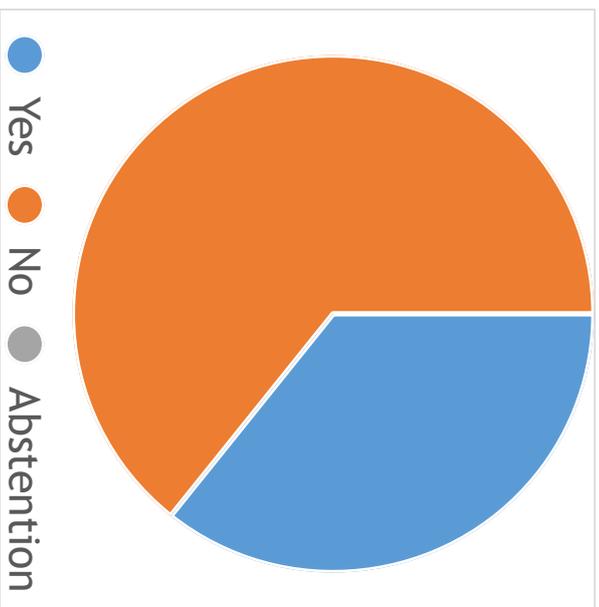
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4	China (N)	Huang Jian	8/12/22 14:18	No	
5	Russia (V)	Elena Lyubimtseva	8/12/22 14:18	Yes	
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14	Dubai	Ahmed Hamad Obaid Khamis Alshehhi		No	
15	France	Benoit Cailliez		No	
16	Germany	Harald Herbach		No	
17	Hungary	Hegyí György		Yes	
18	Italy	Debernardi Claudio		Yes	
19	Malta	Michael Saliba		No	
20	Portugal	Almerindo Moreira Mota Santos		No	
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22	Spain	Tomas J. Montiel Luis		No	
23	The Netherlands	Ben Geerinck		No	
24	Serbia	Gromilovic Igor		No	
25	Czech Republic	Jaroslav Novotny		Yes	
26	Bosnia Herzegovina	Adnan Jahic		No	
27	Slovenia	Gasper Tompa		No	
28	Austria	Walter Straif		Yes	
29	Poland	Krzysztof Kawaler		Yes	
30	Kosovo	Alex Blacka		Yes	

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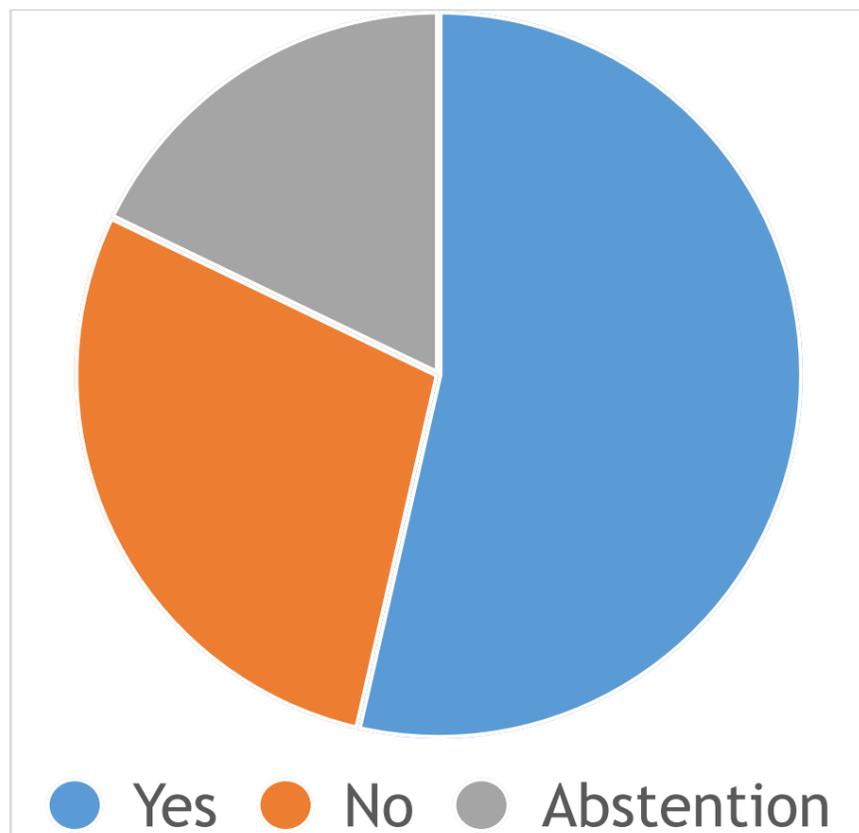
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