



JJIF *Ju-Jitsu International Federation*

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of the Ju-Jitsu International Federation [JJIF] Electoral Congress held at Grand Tourane hotel, Da Nang, VIETNAM on 21th September 2016, starting at 14.00 hours.

Members present:

Country	Representatives	Designation
JJIF	Panagiotis Theodoropoulos	President
JJIF	Eugène Domagata	General Manager
JJIF	Dr. Jaffer Al Muthaffer	OCA
JJIF	Henrik Sandberg	Referee Director
JJIF	Joachim Thumfart	Sports Director
JJIF	Vicky Kontou	Secretary to the president
JJIF	Claudia Behnke	Athletes Commission
JJIF	Rinaldo Orlandi	Honorary President
Argentina	Miguel Percoco	JJPAU President
Australia	Zaya Zaya	President
Austria	Alexandra Vosta Geyer	Treasurer
Belgium	Luc Mortelmans	President
Bulgaria	Tomo Borissov	President
Bulgaria	Dorian Avramov	EB
Chinese Taipei	Hsien-Ping Cheng	General Secretary
Colombia	Javier Munoz	EB
Denmark	Ronald Vestergaard	EB
Ethiopia	Tsegaye Degineh	President
France	Christophe Brunet	EB
Germany	Roland Koehler	President
Germany	Michael Korn	JJEU Senior Vice President
Greece	Anastasios Poulkidis	President
India	Commander C M Bhatia	General Secretary
Iran	Seyed Amir Khoshbin	Vice President
Iran	Mohammad Reza Nassiri	EB
Iraq	Dr. Mokhles Hasan	President
Italy	Dr. Igor Lanzoni	President
Japan	Takamasa Watanabe	President
Kazakhstan	Ilya Mirzo	Vice President
Korea	Yeoung Soo Lee	President
Korea	In Muk Chae	General Secretary
Korea	Jun Hyuk Oh	EB
Kuwait	Fawzan Al Sabej	EB
Lebanon	Francois Saade	President
Mauritius	Nuvin Proag	JJAFU President
Mauritius	Uttum Sanmukhiya	Vice President

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Mexico	Adolfo Trejo	President
Mexico	Enrique Nolasco	JJPAU Treasurer
Mongolia	Odsuren Bolderdene	General Secretary
Pakistan	Khalil Ahmed Khan	President
Russia	Georgiy Kukoverov	Vice President
Senegal	Gueye Ousseynou	EB
Slovenia	Robert Perc	JJEU President
Sri Lanka	Kithsiri De Zoysa	President
Sweden	Michael Kuntz	EB
Sweden	Emil Gustafsson	EB
The Netherlands	Rick Frowyn	JJEU General Secretary
Turkmenistan	Ata Adayev	President
Turkmenistan	Layla Kuliyeva	General Secretary
UAE	Fahad Ali Al Shamsi	General Secretary
Ukraine	Viktor Maliutenko	President
Ukraine	Iuliia Iagolnyk	Interpreter
USA	Sarah Stanton	President
Italy	Dario Quenza	Observer
Poland	Tomaz Knap	President
Thailand	Chuchart Boonchai	President
Singapore	Kelvin Teo	First Vice President
Malaysia	Albert Lim	President
Bahrain	Redha Momfaradi	EB

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1. Welcome from the JJIF President

The JJIF Electoral Congress was opened by the JJIF President, Mr. Panagiotis Theodoropoulos who welcomed all members present and held a general speech [attached to the minutes].

He then declared that the new JJIF Board must work to bring Ju-Jitsu in the highest level, adding that the Presidents of the JJIF Continental Unions shall support their Continents each one to develop in the faster and correct way.

2. Roll call and right to vote

The following persons were designated by the JJIF President and approved unanimously by the Congress to check credentials and to act as scrutineers and assisting the President co-chairing the congress:

- Mr. Robert Perc, JJEU President,
- Mr. Nuvin Proag, JJAFU President and
- Ms. Vicky Kontou, Secretary to the JJIF President.

The President of the Ju-Jitsu European Union, Mr. Robert Perc, announced the following list of the representatives that have a right to vote:

Representatives from Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Chinese Taipei, Colombia, Denmark, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Greece, India, Iran, Iraq, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan,

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Republic of Korea, Kuwait, Lebanon, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Pakistan, Russia, Senegal, Slovenia, Sri Lanka, Sweden, The Netherlands, Turkmenistan, United Arab Emirates, Ukraine, United States of America, Poland, Thailand, Singapore and Bahrain. [39 countries]

3. Agenda- approval and changes (proposals from JJIF Session)

The Agenda of the JJIF Electoral Congress as proposed was presented and was unanimously approved by the members present. The JJAFU President, Mr. Nuvin Proag, kindly asked the Assembly to formally ratify the decisions and approvals from the JJIF Session. He then invited the JJEU President, Mr. Robert Perc to make a summarization of the discussions and decisions (8) of the JJIF Session as follows:

1. Two more categories are implemented at Ne-Waza: men +56 kg and women -49 kg;
2. Ne-Waza Team competition will be introduced at next World Championship, with following categories included: men -69, -85, +85 kg; women -62, +62 kg;
3. Mixed Team Challenge (Fighting/Ne-Waza/Duo) will be implemented at WC in Poland as a demonstration event with categories as follows: Fighting and Ne Waza in categories men -69, -85, +85 kg, women -62, +62 kg, Duo System. If necessary, the Board will define and clear additional rules for this event;
4. Swedish Ju-Jitsu Federation will host World Championship Seniors 2018 in Malmo;
5. Greek Ju-Jitsu Federation will host World Championship U18 and World Cup U15 2017 in Athens;
6. Activity reports from the last General Assembly are accepted;
7. Mr Rick Frowyn from the Netherlands and Mr Chuchart Boonchai from the Thailand are appointed as Auditors for 2015 and 2016 financial years;
8. The following ju-jitsu federations were accepted as full members (22 in total):
From Europe: The Ju-Jitsu Federation of Croatia;
From Asia: The Ju-Jitsu Federations of Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Republic of Korea, Bangladesh, Maldives, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Indonesia, Philippines, Bahrain and Jordan;
From Africa: The Ju-Jitsu Federations of Madagascar, Angola, Democratic Republic of Congo, Morocco, Ivory Coast, Niger and Mali;
From America: The Ju-Jitsu Federation of Cuba;
From Oceania: The Ju-Jitsu Federation of Australia.”

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The JJEU President, after having made the summarization sought the Assembly to ratify the decisions of the JJIF Session. As there were no objections, the Congress formally ratified with strong applause all the decisions from the JJIF Session 2016.

4. Change the Status of JJNOs (from Full Member to Provisional Member) or suspend or remove JJNO membership pursuant to proposals from JJIF Session

The suspension of Ju-Jitsu Federation of Canada was approved by the Congress unanimously and without a voice of objection (as previously already decided by the Session).

5. Election of President of JJIF

The President of the Belgian Ju-Jitsu Federation and candidate for the JJIF President position, Mr. Luc Mortelmans, took the floor declaring that after some thinking he considers better for the

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spirit of the Sports and for the future of the Ju-Jitsu International Federation that he withdraws his candidature. The delegates welcomed his move with strong applause.

The JJEU President, Mr Robert Perc then presented the remaining candidate for the President and ask the Congress for voice vote with acclamation. After the loud applause as a sing of approval and without any vote against he announced Mr Panagiotis Theodoropoulos elected as the JJIF President.

The JJIF President, Mr. Panagiotis Theodoropoulos, thanked all members present for the trust and for the decision to keep him in the position of the JJIF President and expressed his willing to continue with friendship and partnership for the good of the Sport.

6. Ratify the nomination of the five Vice-Presidents

The JJIF President, presented to the members the new JJIF Vice Presidents as follows:

- a) Mr. Robert Perc, President of the Ju-Jitsu European Union,
- b) Mr. Nuvin Proag, President of the Ju-Jitsu African Union,
- c) Mr. Miguel Angel Percoco, President of the Ju-Jitsu Pan-American Union and
- d) H.E Abdulmunem Alsayedmohamed Alsayed AL Hashmi, President of Ju-Jitsu Asian Union.

The Congress unanimously ratified the four new JJIF Vice Presidents without a voice of objection.

7. Ratify the three appointed board members

The JJIF President confirmed that according to the JJIF Statutes the new JJIF Board must include three members that are appointed by the JJIF President and ratified by the Presidents of the JJIF Continental Unions. He then explained that it is for the best of JJIF to have people that are specialized in International affairs especially with the Olympic family. For that reason, he proposed:

- a) Dr. Jaffer AL Muthafer,
- b) Dr. Igor Lanzoni, President of the Italian Ju-Jitsu Federation and
- c) Mr. Georgiy Kukoverov, President of the Russian Ju-Jitsu Federation

to cover these three positions.

The Congress unanimously ratified the three new Board members without a voice of objection.

8. Ratify the two athlete's representatives

The JJIF President, clarified that there must be two representatives with a voting right from the part of the athletes and as there is no time left until the elections, JJIF accepts as representatives the representatives who were elected previously. He then invited Ms. Claudia Behnke, JJIF Athletes Commission spokesperson, to explain the procedure of the elections of the athletes in the future.

Ms. Claudia Behnke took the floor explaining to the members present the previous procedure of the elections of the athletes' representatives, as it was conducted in 2014. More specifically, she explained that the athletes during the World Championship sought from the National Federations

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present to elect the athletes representatives who elected subsequently the spokesperson for their communication with JJIF. She stated that this procedure is problematic, as it resulted in the elections of representatives only from the European Continent and the athletes Commission must be worldwide. She continued by proposing a new election structure, in which the Athletes Commission will be elected on a Continental level, kindly asking the Presidents of the JJIF Continental Unions as well as the members of the Unions to conduct in the next year at the Continental Championships an election for the Athletes Commission. She concluded that at the moment where in each continent will be a working Athletes Commission, two of them will be in the JJIF Athletes Commission and subsequently the athletes will elect the spokespersons who will be then members of the JJIF Board.

The JJIF President thanked Ms. Claudia Behnke for the presentation and emphasized the importance of the Athletes Commission, kindly asking all the National Federations for the future to implement an Athletes Commission in each Country.

9. Election of the members of the JJIF Ethics Commission

The JJIF President, clarified that regarding the Ethics Commission everyone can apply alone or by Country or by Continents proposal and at the moment there are four candidates for this position, who shall confirm that the members follow letter by letter the Ethics Code by IOC, and that everything will work with transparency. As there were no objections the Congress ratified with unanimity the following persons for the positions of the JJIF Ethic Commission:

- a) Mr. Rinaldo Orlandi, JJIF Honorary President,
- b) Mr. Mohammad Reza Nassiri, Executive Board Member of the Iranian Ju-Jitsu Federation, Mr. Tsegaye Degineh, President of Ethiopian Ju-Jitsu Federation and
- c) Mr. Tomaz Knap, President of the Polish Ju-Jitsu Federation.

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The President invited newly elected members to the meeting with the Board and constituent meeting of the JJIF Ethics Committee following day.

10. Awarding and Honorable membership/ presidency

The JJEU President, Mr. Robert Perc awarded the JJIF President, Mr. Panagiotis Theodoropoulos, and Mr. H.E Abdulmunem Alsayedmohamed Alsayed AL Hashmi, President of the Asian Union, for the energy invested on the development of the Ju-Jitsu worldwide.

11. Congress 2018: proposals for date and venue

As the schedule for 2018 is in process the JJIF President propose to decide for the date and venue of Congress 2018 in the Session 2017.

With no further issues, still to debate, the JJIF President thanked all delegates for support and constructive participation and closed the JJIF Electoral Congress.

Panagiotis Theodoropoulos
JJIF President
AIMS Vice President



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