



**FISpT - Federation Internationale Sport pour Tous / International Sport for All Federation**

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## **MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY ASSEMBLY**

### **FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DU SPORT pour TOUS**

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In the year 2021, on Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. (*Italian time*) in second call – virtually through Zoom platform - the Delegates participating in the works of the Extraordinary Assembly of the Federation Internationale Du Sport pour Tous duly convened as by Statute.

Prof. Franco B. Ascani is called to chair the meeting and, to act as Secretary, Mr Enzo Capiello.

The President notes that the Assembly has been duly convened in accordance with the Articles of the Statute and the number of those present exceeds that required by the Statute for the validity of the Assembly in second call.

The President invites the participants to discuss and to resolve on the following “Agenda”:

1. *Opening & roll call*
2. *Report Prof. Franco B. Ascani*
3. *FISpT Governance and operational Status*
4. *Revision of FISpT Statute*

### **Point 1) of Agenda: Opening & roll call**

The President starts the Assembly with the Institutional greetings.

### **Point 2) of Agenda: Report of Prof. Franco B. Ascani**

Prof. Ascani, in his capacity as FISpT Vice President and UESpT President, reads the Report sent on May 11<sup>th</sup> by e-mail to all Members.

First of all I would like to remember all those whom passed away and in particular Prof. Thomas Rosandich (slide). A man of culture and sport, a dear friend who passed away, a great loss. He was a great column of the FISpT since its origins.

In my capacity as FISpT's Vice President as well as President of UESpT (Union Européenne du Sport pour Tous), for the reasons above mentioned discussed, analyzed and documented in the previous meetings in Lisbon, Athens and Milan, I felt the duty, at the request of many historical Members, to take over the situation that had arisen following the vacancy management of Mr Isa M. Abdul Rahim who never replied to the repeated attempts to start again as well as to the several written requests to convene the Assembly within the terms of the Statute. We are faced with a self-calling in the interest of the future of the Federation. Among other things, an inaction that risks to put into discussion the recognition by the International Olympic Committee to which I have personally provided the widest guarantees of recovery in my capacity as Member of IOC Commission for "Culture and Olympic Heritage".

I have let slip four months since my first letter of convocation the Assembly which – agreed with most of You - I have postponed twice, confident in some positive signs from the previous Administration. Today we must proceed!

The serious situation that led to it, requires me to act and, having heard the opinion of the Legal Affairs Department, I will submit to the Assembly the revocation and consequent decadence of the President as well as of the Board of Directors.

With the intention of start again as soon as possible in order to put an end to the period of absence of our Federation in the sports world, I have decided - if You agree - to take the position of President in order to define the Institutional aspects and for the necessary period to transfer our Federation to new shores. The COVID-19 pandemic is blocking several activities in all sectors and, in particular, affects that regarding sports. The contacts with partners who have committed themselves to support the Federation's initiatives in the coming months (as well as in the next years) have slowed down for the above reasons.

First, the revocation with the present Extraordinary Assembly, then the updating of the Statute and, to follow with the Ordinary Assembly, the election of the new Bodies. I will take charge in order to break free of the bleak and to conclude the search of partners in order to guarantee the future of our Federation. Thanks

### **Point 3) of Agenda: FISpT Governance and operational Status**

The President Prof. Ascani puts to the vote the forfeiture and dismissal of President Mr Isa Abdul Rahim for the above reasons discussed, analyzed and documented among the Members in the previous meetings in Lisbon, Athens and Milan.

Next step is the certified vote.

### **Point 4) of Agenda: Revision of FISpT Statute**

Since no amendments to the text of the Statute (*sent by e-mail on May 8th, at 1.20 p.m. Italian time*) to all the participants have been received, the President Prof. Ascani proceeds with the vote of the Federal Statute with all its Articles. The proposal has been accepted. With 100% of the votes in favor, the FISpT Statute (*shown below*) has been approved.

# FISpT

## Fédération Internationale Sport pour Tous STATUTE



**Federation Internationale du Sport pour Tous**  
International Sport for All Federation



## FISpT Aim

The aim of the Federation Internationale du Sport pour Tous, International Sport for All Federation, is to promote “Sport for All” and to establish contact between the organizations and persons concerned. The federation is apolitical, areligious and no for profit making.

## FISpT Objectives

It is the ambition of Federation Internationale du Sport pour Tous, International Sport for All Federation to be an action oriented and a consultative organization, encouraging international exchanges in “Sport for All” as a factor of self-fulfillment and a means of bringing people and nations together in mutual understanding.

Intends to:

- Organize international “Sport for All” meetings by means of symposia, conferences, regional and international seminars and congresses, informative weeks, adventure and sport exploration, study trips, etc.
- Organize training courses and in-service training for Sport for All Leaders, create the most favorable conditions so that they can accomplish their task, and promote the “*leader without frontiers*” programme;
- Further “Sport for All” and support its development;
- Stimulate “Sport for All” sponsorship;
- Organize events, sports festivals, games, international “Sport for All” journeys and promote sports tourism in general;
- Further scientific research adapted to the “Sport for All” practice and concentrate on management aspects;
- Help to set up international sport for all campaigns;
- Participate in activities of regional and world organizations which are able to rouse a growing interest of public opinion in “Sport for All”;
- Gather, publish and distribute documents on the federations ‘social aim’;
- Make increasing use of mass media in order to promote “Sport for All” activities;
- Encourage the construction of more leisure sport facilities.

## FISpT Members

The Federation Internationale du Sport pour Tous, International Sport for All Federation brings together individuals and private as well as public associations wishing to help it achieve its objectives in the field of “Sport for All”. Their contribution (membership fee) makes them active members of the Federation.

- Considering that “Sport for All” furthers social and economic progress
- Considering that it is a factor of development and cultural enrichment
- Considering its educational significance and its contribution to improve the quality of life of the citizens - whatever their age, sexes or social status - in respect of the national traditions and its firm intention not to enter into competition with national or international federations of Olympic sports but on the contrary, to contribute to their furtherance by rousing the interest of a lot of people in various physical and sports activities
- Considering that in accordance with the United Nations’ Charter and the International Charter of P.E.S. proclaimed by the UNESCO, the right to participate in sport is universally recognized for all citizen
- Considering that it can be an exceptional means to promote peace and understanding between men and communities.

### **The following statutes are adopted:**

1. Between the members who agree with the present statutes an international body is set up, called: Federation Internationale du Sport pour Tous, International Sport for All Federation (Acronym: **FISpT**)
2. The FISpT is non-politically dependent and excludes itself from all religious discussions. It is a non-profit making association. Its duration is unlimited.

3. The FISpT has its seat in Milan (Italy). The address of the administrative office corresponds to President's addresses. The seat of FISpT may be shifted to another place on the basis of a decision made by 2/3 majority of the members of the General Assembly. The association is governed by the article 21 and following of the local Common law and by the present statutes.
4. The official languages of the FISpT are French, English. Is contested or if any disagreements concerning the translations occur the authoritative text shall be French and English text.  
The organizers of FISpT's meetings may add the language of the Country where meeting takes place.
5. The objective of the FISpT is to promote "Sport for All" and to establish a link between organizations and individuals interested in its purpose.

**6. The FISpT intends particularly:**

- a. To organize international "Sport for All" meetings by means of symposia, conferences, regional and international seminars and congresses, informative weeks, adventure and sport exploration, study trips, etc.
- b. To organize training courses and in-service training for Sport for All Leaders, create the most favorable conditions so that they can accomplish their task, and promote the "leader without frontiers" program;
- c. To further "Sport for All" and support its development;
- d. To stimulate "Sport for All" sponsorship;
- e. To organize events, sports festivals, games, international "Sport for All" journeys and promote sports tourism in general;
- f. To further scientific research adapted to the "Sport for All" practice and concentrate on management aspects;
- g. To participate in activities of regional and world organizations which are able to rouse a growing interest of public opinion in "Sport for All";
- h. To gather, publish and distribute documents on the federations 'social aim;
- i. To make increasing use of mass media in order to promote "Sport for All" activities;
- j. To encourage the construction of more leisure sport facilities;
- k. To help in launching international sport for all campaigns.

## **7. The FISpT is composed of:**

- a. Founding members: are members having directed and contributed to the foundation and constitution of the FISpT as registered in the minutes of General Assembly in Strasbourg (1983).
- b. Active members: are natural persons or corporate bodies who have paid the membership fee and who have been admitted by the Board of Directors. Active Members of the FISpT may be:
  - 1) Collective Members:
    - i. National, Regional or Local Non-Governmental Organizations developing "Sport for All"
    - ii. Official Governmental Bodies of countries being legally constituted in charge of the development of "Sport for All" in their own countries, regions, or municipalities
  - 2) Individual members: individuals interested in the objective of the FISpT.
  - 3) Active FISpT Members are ex officio members of the continental union where they live.
- c. Honorary Members: are natural persons or corporate bodies who rendered the FISpT exceptional services. The title of honorary member may be awarded by the General Assembly at the request of the Board of Directors. Those who are given the title of Honorary members are entitled to have a consultative voice in the General Assembly. Their admission has to be accepted by the General Assembly with a two-thirds majority of members present.

**8.** The General Assembly at the proposal for the Board of Directors decides on the membership fee for the different members. The amount of the membership fee is subject to periodical index adjustments depending on the economic situation and has to be decided upon by the Board of Directors.

**9.** FISpT Membership expires:

- a. In the event of resignation, dismissal or non-payment of the membership fee
- b. If the Board of Directors decides with 2/3 majority the exclusion of the members. The member concerned is asked in advance to give full explanation. An appeal can be introduced to the General Assembly

**10.** The Bodies of FISpT are:

- a. The General Assembly
- b. The Board of Directors
- c. The Executive Board
- d. The Continental or Regional Unions
- e. The Commissions

**11.** The supreme Body of the FISpT is the General Assembly which is composed of active members as well as founder members and honorary members. Only active members who have regularly affiliated in FISpT in the current year have the right to vote. The General Assembly can be also convened on-line.

- a. Each country or region with an officially recognized autonomy of sport has one vote in the election of the Board of Directors (second ballot). Observers are admitted in the plenary meeting of the General Assembly.

**12.** The Executive Bureau of the General Assembly is that of the Board of Directors. The Executive Board draws up the minutes. The decision is made with a two-thirds majority of the votes cast, unless otherwise stipulated in particular provisions of the present statutes. The General Assembly decides on the number of seats in the Board of Directors. The General Assembly meets every four years or at the request of half of the members. The General Assembly is called by the President. The members must receive the notice of the meeting at least two months in advance. Unless otherwise decided by the Board of Directors, member who have not paid their contribution cannot take part in the General Assembly nor delegate their powers to somebody else. Only active members who attend the General Assembly have the

right to vote, procurations are admitted only between active members.

- 13.** The Board of Directors decides on the agenda of the General Assembly. In general, the items on the agenda are:
  - a. Reading and approbation of the moral, financial and activities reports
  - b. Definition and orientation of the future programme
  - c. Presentation of Members
  - d. Elections in the Board of Directors
  - e. The various items registered on the agenda
  
- 14.** The Board of Directors is composed of 15 Members. The formation consists of:
  - a. The President
  - b. Three Vice-Presidents. One Vice-President will be nominated Senior Vice-President
  - c. The Secretary General
  - d. The Treasurer
  - e. The Adviser
  - f. 8 Members

The President nominates the Senior Vice President among three Vice Presidents elected and the General Secretary

The Coordinator of Legal Affairs Commission can participate in the works of the Board of Directors as well as of the Executive Committee.

- 15.** The Board of Directors meets at least once a year or whenever that may be necessary after convocation by the President or at the request of half of members. To be valid the decisions have to be taken in presence of half 1/3 of the members of the Board of Directors.
  
- 16.** Members of the Board of Directors are elected for 4 years and are eligible for reelection by secret vote of the General Assembly. Between the sessions of the General Assembly the Board of Directors must see to it that member who died or resigned are replaced. Members who are co-opted in this way have the right to vote. The duration of the mandate of co-opted member lasts until the next meeting of the General Assembly. If necessary,

the Board of Directors can co-opt new member who have no right to vote. The modalities of co-optation are stipulated in the federation's rules of procedure. The members of Board of Directors exercise their functions on a voluntary base.

**17.** The Board of Directors draws up the internal regulation of the federation and is composed of 15 members (voting rights).

**18.** The Executive Board is composed of:

- a) The President
- b) The Senior Vice President
- c) The Secretary General
- d) The Treasurer

**19.** The President runs the FISpT, he must see to it that the federation operates well and he represents the FISpT in all official acts of civil life. The President represents the FISpT in legal matters and can only be represented by a mandatory who has been given a special procuration. Representatives of the FISpT may not have lost their civil rights. The President decides on the expenses. He presides the debates of the Executive Bureau, the Board of Directors, and the General Assembly. In case of absence of the President, he shall be represented by the first Vice President. In case of absence of the latter, he will be represented "ad interim" by oldest Vice President of the Executive Bureau.

**20.** The Secretary General is responsible for the Secretarial of the Executive Board, the Board of Directors and ordinary and extraordinary General Assemblies. He carries out all actions decided by the bodies of the FISpT and coordinates all activities of the different bodies.

**21.** The Treasurer keeps the accounting of the FISpT, he elaborates the annual budget that he proposes to the Executive Bureau and he takes the necessary measures for the financial management of the FISpT.

**22.** - The Vice President can be continental or regional Presidents represent their continental unions or regional grouping on the Boards of Directors. They are nominated

by their continental union, regional groupings. The Vice President can be board members of the International Sport Organizations/Federations affiliated in FISpT. If a continental President is elected to another function within the FISpT, then the representation of the continental seat is passed on to the continental Vice-President. The continental President nonetheless retains his Presidential ship at the continental union level. In case of absence the President is represented by the Vice President elected by the continental union.

- 23.** The Senior Vice President can represent the President in his absence. The Senior Vice President will be nominated by the President from the Vice-President list of Board of Directors.
- 24.** The Development Marketing Director is responsible for FISpT development around the World, international projects, marketing and fundraising action plan.
- 25.** FISpT members belonging geographically to the same continent or region may organize themselves in continental unions or regional groupings after agreement by the Board of Directors.
- 26.** The statutes and the rules of procedure of the bodies nominated under article 26, cannot be contrary to those of the FISpT.
- 27.** Affiliated FISpT members belonging to continents or regions deprived of continental or regional FISpT sections will have a chance at the General Assembly to elect a continental President who will represent them on the Board of Directors.
- 28.** If the FISpT does not have any members in one of the continents, then at the General Assembly it will charge one of its affiliated members with the representation of the FISpT in that continent.
- 29.** The Advisers are elected by the General Assembly under the same conditions as described under article 16.

- 30.** They are entrusted with the specific task of organizing the working and the development of the FISpT commissions. Their number must be the same as the number of Commissions.
- 31.** Seven Commissions are set up within the FISpT:
- a. Legal Affairs
  - b. Sports Events
  - c. International Relation
  - d. Sport and Tourism
  - e. Media & Communications
  - f. Multisport Games & Social Inclusion
  - g. Congresses and scientific research, Education
- 32.** The Executive Bureau may set up other commission if necessary, provided that the decision is submitted to the approval of the Board of Directors. The General Assembly will then create additional functions of Advisers.
- 33.** The financial year covers a period from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>. The General Treasurer is responsible for the proper financial administration and bookkeeping in accordance with legal provisions. The budget and the yearly accounts are approved by the Board of Directors provided that they meet with the approval of the General Assembly. The General Assembly determines the amount of the membership fees of the different members. Resources of FISpT are composed of:
- a. Membership fee
  - b. Sponsorship
  - c. Grants, donations and legacies
  - d. Assistance in material and organizational means
  - e. Temporary transfer of staff members from public and private bodies to the FISpT.
  - f. Resources resulting from promotion campaigns

The FISpT patrimony is solely responsible for the engagements entered into on behalf of the federation.

- 34.** Resolutions of the Board of Directors on all

operations such as acquisition, exchange, transfer of real estate necessary for realizing the objectives of FISpT mortgages on property and assets, leases exceeding a nine years period, transfer of assets including donations and loans, must be submitted for approval to the General Assembly.

- 35.** Resolutions of the Board of Directors on acceptance of donations and legacies can only be made valid after approval by the General Assembly and if made in accordance with the stipulations laid down in local common law.
  
- 36.** The General Assembly elects 2 auditors who purpose to give the Treasurer final discharge from his financial administration.
  
- 37.** Amendments to status can only be made if two-thirds of members present at the Extraordinary General Assembly and eligible to vote, approve. All proposal for amending statutes must be included in the agenda of the Extraordinary General Assembly which is submitted to all members at least 2 months before the meeting.
  
- 38.** The dissolution of FISpT can only be validly decided upon at an Extraordinary General Assembly specially convened for this purpose. In this meeting apply voting regulations stipulated from the appropriation of FISpT property, that can only be allotted to public establishments or public utility services with the same objectives as the FISpT.
  
- 39.** The rules of Procedure drawn up by the Board of Directors specify the mode of application the statutes.
  
- 40.** The President or an authorized member of the Board of Directors must at short date deposit in Court of Law of the city in which the Federation has its seat all documents relating to:
  - a. Amendments to Statutes
  - b. Change of name of the Federation
  - c. Transfer of Legal eat
  - d. Changes in the Board of Directors and the Executive

## Bureau

- 41.** The members commit themselves to respect the statutes of the FISpT and will see to it that decisions made by the General Assembly and the Board of Directors are carried out. All other business concerning organization, administration and functioning of the FISpT non provided for in the present statutes are within the competence of the Board of Directors. The provisions of the local common law are applicable to all other matters not provided for in the present statutes.



**Statute FISpT approved by the Congress on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

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Having nothing else to discuss, the President declares the works of the Extraordinary General Assembly of the FISpT closed and gives an appointment to the present at the Ordinary Assembly.

The session ends at 2.25 p.m.

*Milan, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021*

The Secretary  
*Enzo Cappelletto*

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The President  
*Prof. Franco B. Ascani*

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