

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING AND ELECTORAL CONGRESS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SPORT FOR ALL FEDERATION (FISpT)

Date: 24 January 2026

Time: 09:00 - 13:00 CET

Venue: Cosmopolitan Business Hotel, Via Alcide De Gasperi 2, 62012 Civitanova Marche, Italy

Meeting Type: Extraordinary General Meeting and Electoral Congress

1. OPENING AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1.1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 09:00 CET by Mr. Isa Mohamed Abdurrahim Al-Rafaei, President of the International Sport for All Federation. The President welcomed all delegates to Civitanova Marche and expressed hope for a successful General Assembly that would revitalize FISpT with new leadership and strategic direction.

1.2 Master of Ceremony

Mr. Marco Tomasini, in his capacity as consultant to FISpT, served as Master of Ceremony for the procedural portions of the General Assembly, managing the voting procedures and organizational logistics with the approval of President Abdurrahim.

1.3 Live Translation Services

To demonstrate organizational inclusiveness, live translation services were provided through the Worldly platform, enabling simultaneous translation in multiple languages including English, French, Arabic, Italian, Hungarian, Albanian, and Serbian. Delegates were encouraged to speak in their native languages to facilitate understanding and demonstrate the international character of the organization.

1.4 Voting Procedure Explanation

The Master of Ceremony explained the electronic voting procedure to be used throughout the General Assembly:

- Each vote would be conducted via QR code displayed on presentation slides
- Delegates would have 3 minutes to complete each voting form
- Votes would be submitted electronically with email confirmation
- Delegates would have 1 minute after email receipt to contest any voting errors
- Votes not submitted within 3 minutes would be considered null
- Abstentions differ from null votes: abstentions count toward quorum, null votes do not
- The procedure is completely anonymous from the electoral commission perspective

A test vote was conducted successfully to verify the system functionality.

1.5 Assembly Schedule Overview

The Master of Ceremony outlined the two-day event schedule:

Day 1 - 24 January 2026:

- Morning: Extraordinary General Meeting and Elections
- Lunch break
- Afternoon: Award Ceremony and FISpT Congress (14:30)
- 30-minute break
- European Sport for All Union General Assembly (other members welcome as guests)
- Evening: Gala Dinner with Certificate of Recognition distribution

Day 2 - 25 January 2026:

- Morning: First Open Board Meeting (FISpT and European Sport for All Union)
- International Traditional Sports and Games Committee inaugural General Assembly

2. ATTENDANCE AND VOTING MEMBERS

2.1 Initial Voting Members Present

At the opening of the General Assembly, the following voting members were registered:

National Members (16 members, 1 vote each = 16 votes):

National Member	Delegate	Position	Attendance
Georgian National Federation Sport for All	Maia Azarashvili	President	In Person
FederSwiss Sports for All	Marco Tomasini	President	In Person
Malta Sport for All	Anita Pariani	President	In Person
Federazione Italiana Sport per Tutti	Filippo Maria Capatti	Secretary General	In Person
Fédération Ivoirienne de Randonnée Pédestre	Essan Amoin Marie-Laure	President	In Person
Ministry of Youth and Sport of Azerbaijan	Nijat Hasanov	Delegate	Online
Fédération Royale Marocaine du Sport pour Tous	Nouzha Bidiouane	President	In Person
General Egyptian Sport for All Federation	Emad Elbannany	President	Online

UAE Sport for All Federation	Dr. Ahmad Saad Abdulla Al-Sharif	Delegate	In Person
All India Association of Sports for All	Sudhir Kumar Sharma	Hon. General Secretary	Online
Bahrain Sport for All Association	Isa Abdurrahim	President	In Person
Sports Union of Slovenia	Patrik Perosa	Secretary General	In Person
Hellas Sport For All	Theodoros Tsaganos	President	Online
Kazakhstan Sports for All	Anuarbek N. Bainazarov	Delegate	Online
Ukraine Active	Oleksandra Boliak	Executive Director	In Person
Kenya Sport for All Federation	Moses Ondeng	President	Online

Table 1: National Members Present at Opening

Individual Members (9 members, 1 vote each = 9 votes):

1. Ubaidouloev Zubaidullo (Online)
2. Marco Tomasini (In Person)
3. Andrii Boliak (In Person)
4. Michele Barbone (In Person)
5. Nijat Hasanov (Online)
6. Emad El Bannany (Online)
7. Isa Mohammed Abdulrahim (In Person)
8. Goran Aleksovski (Online)
9. Omar Suleiman Hindawi (Online)

Total Initial Voting Power: 25 votes (16 from national members + 9 from individual members)

2.2 Meeting Attendance Statistics

Per the official statistics document:

- 48 members present (18 online, 30 in person)
- 86 total persons attending (31 online, 55 in person)
- 36 countries represented
- 4 continents represented

3. REMARKS FROM AUTHORITIES

3.1 Letters of Support Received

The General Assembly acknowledged letters of support and best wishes from:

- **International Olympic Committee (IOC)** - Letter from Ms. Kisti Coventry expressing support for FISpT's governance improvements (unable to attend due to Milano Cortina Olympic meetings)
- **Association of IOC Recognised International Sports Federations (ARISF)** - Letter from the President encouraging FISpT's work in sport-for-all environment
- **Fondazione Milano Cortina 2026** - Letter from Mr. Giovanni Malagò (IOC Member and OCOG President)
- **Italian National Olympic Committee (CONI)** - Letter from President Luciano Bonfiglio
- **Italian Ministry of Sports** - Note of support
- **Italian Paralympic Committee** - Letter from President Marco Giunio De Santis

3.2 Opening Remarks by President Isa Mohamed Abdurrahim Al-Rafaei

President Abdurrahim welcomed delegates and expressed honor to meet the FISpT family in Italy. He thanked the organizers for their excellent work and expressed hope that the new year would bring FISpT renewed strength and see the organization at the top of international sport-for-all programs.

3.3 Remarks by Mr. Michele Barbone, President of European Sport for All Union

Mr. Barbone, Honorary President of the Italian Sport for All Federation and former Vice President of the Italian National Olympic Committee, delivered greetings expressing gratitude for the opportunity to reunite with international colleagues after several years. He particularly acknowledged his longtime friendship with Mr. Stavri Bello (Albania) spanning over 30 years. He confirmed his continued support for FISpT at both Italian and global levels.

3.4 Remarks by Mr. Marco Tomasini, President of Italian Sport for All Federation

Mr. Tomasini welcomed delegates as President of the Italian Sport for All Federation, emphasizing the organization's growth as an independent NGO free from government control. He acknowledged key partners including the Italian Dance Sport Federation, Italian Traditional Sports and Games Federation, and various other sports organizations. He expressed particular gratitude to international colleagues including Mr. Isa Abdurrahim, Mr. Enzo Casadidio, Mr. Michele Barbone, and board candidates Attila Adamfi, Robert Nob Rauch, Stavri Bello, and Patrik Perosa.

3.5 Remarks by Mr. Enzo Casadidio, President of Italian Traditional Sports and Games Federation

Mr. Casadidio, representing the National Olympic Committee of Italy as a board member, welcomed delegates to Civitanova Marche. He emphasized the importance of traditional sports representing sport for everyone and noted the federation's integration of both traditional and modern sports. He stressed that sport unites people beyond conflicts and called for recognition of the international sports family. As one of the event sponsors, he expressed honor in hosting the General Assembly.

3.6 Remarks by Mr. Piercarlo Pilani, President of International Music Sports Committee

Mr. Pilani, representing Maestri Italiana di DanzaSportiva and the International Music Sports Committee, expressed honor that delegates from around the world chose to attend in Italy. As a financial supporter of the General Assembly, he emphasized the importance of unity in sport and the need for inclusion of all levels from elite athletes to persons with disabilities.

3.7 Moment of Silence for Volker Bernardi

The General Assembly observed a minute of silence in memory of **Mr. Volker Bernardi**, a great friend of FISpT and devoted sport lover, who passed away on 17 August 2025 at the age of 56 after a short and serious illness.

4. ELECTORAL COMMISSION AND ASSEMBLY LEADERSHIP

4.1 Appointment of Electoral Commission

Motion: To appoint the Electoral Commission consisting of:

- Ms. Stefania Puglisi
- Mr. Valeriano Vitellozzi
- Mr. Piercarlo Pilani

Rationale: Italian nationals were proposed due to the planned headquarters relocation to Italy and the need for familiarity with Italian legal requirements.

Vote Result: APPROVED by majority

Status: Electoral Commission appointed and seated

4.2 Election of Assembly President and Secretary

Motion: To elect:

- **President of the Assembly:** Mr. Filippo Maria Capatti (General Secretary, Italian Sport for All Federation)
- **Secretary of the Assembly:** Mr. Andrea Robbia (President, Italian Dodgeball Department of FIGeST)

Rationale: Italian nationals proposed to ensure compliance with Italian rules and regulations as the organization relocates its legal headquarters to Italy.

Vote Result: APPROVED by clear majority

Status: Assembly President and Secretary elected and assumed leadership

President Capatti formally opened the Extraordinary General Assembly and transferred procedural control from the outgoing presidency.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 Agenda Approval

The Secretary presented the agenda items:

1. Approval of Agenda and Minutes of Previous General Assembly
2. Financial Report and Discharge of the Board

3. Presentation of Strategic Plan
4. Adoption of New Statutes
5. Approval of New Member Applications
6. Election of New Board of Directors
7. Mandate to Board to Approve Minutes
8. Other Topics

Vote Result: APPROVED 100%

Status: Agenda adopted as presented

6. FINANCIAL REPORT AND DISCHARGE OF BOARD

6.1 Financial Position Report

The Secretary presented the financial position for the previous quadrennium (2022-2025):

Key Points:

- All expenses and costs were paid directly by the President
- No credits or debts exist in the Federation's accounts
- No pending contracts exist
- The Federation has zero balance
- Request for approval of zero-balance financial statement and full discharge of responsibilities

6.2 Vote on Financial Position and Discharge of Board

Motion: To approve the financial statement showing zero balance and grant full discharge of responsibilities to the outgoing Board.

Vote Result: APPROVED 100%

Status: Financial statement approved and Board fully discharged

The General Assembly expressed gratitude to President Isa Abdurrahim for his personal financial commitment during the previous term.

7. PRESENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN AND VISION

7.1 Introduction to Strategic Planning Process

Mr. Marco Tomasini, consultant to FISpT appointed by the Board in Amman, presented the new strategic plan developed in collaboration with Mr. Patrik Perosa. The plan was designed to revitalize FISpT and provide clear direction for the 2026-2030 quadrennium.

7.2 Core Philosophy: Pierre de Coubertin's Vision

The strategic plan returns to foundational principles articulated by Pierre de Coubertin, father of the modern Olympic movement: "**All sports for all people.**"

Key Principle: Members must be at the center of the International Sport for All Federation. The organization must add value to membership and serve as a platform for grassroots sport development worldwide.

7.3 Strategic Priorities

New Management Structure:

- Create a solid board combining Sport for All expertise with active international federation leadership
- Include experts in management, strategic planning, and federation development
- Draw from diverse sports including traditional sports, flying disc, rafting, teqball, and dance sport

Innovation and Branding:

- Rebrand the federation with modern communication strategies
- Create logos and branding that attract commercial sponsorship
- Enable members to generate financial income through FISpT partnerships
- Integrate sponsorship with branding as priority for sustainability

Financial Sustainability:

- Reduce reliance on government funding (Ministry of Sports support is insufficient globally)
- Create products valuable to both sports ministries and commercial sector
- Develop safeguarding policies and social responsibility to attract corporate investment
- Generate value that incentivizes membership retention and growth

Traditional Sports and Games (TSG):

- Promote traditional sports as core FISpT activity
- Recognize that traditions are the roots of national cultures
- Support domestic traditional sports seeking international recognition
- Partner with Italian Traditional Sports and Games Federation

Cooperation with SportAccord:

- Re-establish partnership with SportAccord as key grassroots platform
- Collaborate with recognized International Federations (Flying Disc, FIBA, Bandy)
- Leverage existing networks connected to National Olympic Committees

Continental Olympic Committee Partnerships:

- Establish Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) with Continental Olympic Committees
- Priority partnerships: European Olympic Committee (EOC), African Olympic Committees (ANOCA), Oceania Olympic Committee, Asian Olympic Council (OCA), Pan American Sports Organization (PANAM)

- Register and activate European Sport for All Union for Erasmus+ eligibility
- Connect at continental level to support national members

Olympic Solidarity Access:

- Utilize IOC Olympic Solidarity program to support developing countries
- Provide financial opportunities for Asian and African members
- Channel funding through FISpT to member activities
- Address lack of private sector investment in certain regions

Expanded Membership Structure:

- Include international sports bodies as Committee Members
- Partner with organizations having strong development programs (Flying Disc, Bandy, Teqball)
- Provide grassroots activity expertise to support their development

Educational Partnerships:

- Cooperate with IOC-recognized educational organizations
- Partner with International Council for Coaching Excellence (ICCE)
- Partner with International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE)
- Develop FISpT certification as international standard for sport-for-all education

Parasports and Adaptive Sports:

- Integrate parasports into all FISpT activities
- Pursue recognition by International Paralympic Committee (IPC)
- Ensure sport-for-all truly means "for everybody"
- Make adaptive sports a main organizational priority

7.4 Financial Responsibility and Sustainability

The strategic plan emphasized that FISpT must be financially responsible and sustainable, creating business value for members in the positive sense. Members should affiliate with FISpT because the federation generates tangible value for their organizations.

Value creation is the key to the future of the federation.

Motion: To approve the strategic plan.

Vote Result: APPROVED 100%

Status: Strategic plan approved

8. ADOPTION OF NEW STATUTES

8.1 Introduction to Statute Revision Process

Mr. Marco Tomasini presented the revised statutes, developed following the mandate given by the Board in Amman. The revision was conducted in collaboration with Mr. Patrik Perosa, Mr. Michal Buchel, Mr. Attila Adamfi, and Mr. Robert Nob-Rauch.

8.2 Major Structural Changes

Headquarters Relocation:

FROM: Bahrain

TO: Italy (legal headquarters)

Rationale:

- Enable transparency through online document publication
- Qualify for Erasmus+ funding from European Commission
- Access Olympic Solidarity programs
- Register as certified Italian non-profit organization (RUNTS - Registro Unico Nazionale del Terzo Settore)
- Access Italian national funds for non-profit organizations

Important Note: Bahrain will retain the Presidential headquarters and symbolic presence. The Bahrain flag will always be displayed as FISpT's "second house" in recognition of the country's longstanding support.

8.3 Governance Principles Adopted

IPACS (IOC Partnership for Accountability and Compliance System) Principles:

Five pillars of good governance integrated into statutes:

1. Transparency
2. Integrity
3. Democracy
4. Development and Solidarity
5. Financial Accountability

IOC Compliance:

- Statutes now require adherence to Olympic Charter and IOC principles
- Automatic implementation of IOC governance recommendations
- Anti-doping educational support for members
- Alignment with IOC good governance standards

Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS):

- All FISpT disputes subject to CAS jurisdiction
- Independent arbitration mechanism established

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- Statutes aligned with UN Sustainable Development Goals
- Commitment to environmental and social responsibility

8.4 Dual Signature Requirement

Critical Financial Control: For the first time in FISpT history, no single person can sign documents alone.

Requirements:

- All official documents require two signatures
- Authorized signatories: President, CEO, General Secretary (combinations of two)
- CEO may sign alone only for acts previously approved by entire Board
- Ensures transparent and democratic organizational control

8.5 New Board Structure

Executive Positions:

Position	Responsibilities
President	Overall leadership and strategic direction
Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	Day-to-day management and legal representation
Vice-President for Education	Educational programs and certification
Vice-President for Traditional Sports & Games	TSG promotion and cultural heritage
Vice-President for Sport	Sport activities and competitions
Vice-President for Paraspports	Adaptive sports and IPC relations
Treasurer	Financial accountability and oversight
General Secretary	Administrative coordination

Table 2: Executive Leadership Structure

Board Composition:

- 9 Board Members representing National Members (gender balance required)
- 1 Board Member representing Individual Members
- 1 Board Member representing Committee Members
- 1 Board Member representing Associate Members
- Up to 5 additional members appointed by Board to fill expertise gaps (e.g., paraspports specialists)

Rationale for Vice-President Structure: Regional representation removed in favor of thematic expertise. Members need functional support (education, traditional sports, paraspports) rather than regional representation, as Continental Confederations provide regional advocacy.

8.6 New Membership Categories

National Members:

- One per country (only one national federation recognized per country)
- Five votes per National Member (increased from one vote to enhance influence)
- Must represent entire country sport-for-all activities

Individual Members:

- One vote per Individual Member (unchanged)
- Maintained from organizational heritage

Committee Members (NEW CATEGORY):

- International federations and international organizations
- Can organize sport-for-all championships and events
- No voting rights in General Assembly
- May elect one Board representative collectively
- Examples: Bandy, Flying Disc, Rafting

Associate Members (NEW CATEGORY):

- Organizations supporting sport-for-all delivery
- No voting rights in General Assembly
- May elect one Board representative collectively
- Example: Table Tennis Federations supporting grassroots programs

8.7 Voting Structure Changes

National Members: 5 votes each (to recognize representation of entire nation)

Individual Members: 1 vote each (personal participation)

Committee Members: No voting rights (may elect 1 Board representative)

Associate Members: No voting rights (may elect 1 Board representative)

8.8 Remote Participation Rules

Statutes now mandate development of defined rules and regulations for remote participation in General Assemblies, enabling:

- More frequent General Assemblies with reduced expenses
- Participation from members' home countries
- Well-defined hybrid meeting procedures

8.9 Mandatory Organizational Policies

Statutes require adoption of the following policies:

- Financial rules and regulations
- Electoral rules and procedures
- Member regulations
- Code of ethics
- Disciplinary code

- Anti-doping guidelines (educational, not enforcement)
- Safeguarding policies
- Gender equality policies

8.10 Board Authority to Amend Statutes for Legal Compliance

The Board is authorized to make minor amendments to statutes when required by Italian government regulatory authorities (RUNTS registration), without reconvening General Assembly, provided:

- Amendments are requested in writing by Italian government
- Amendments are technical/administrative only
- Changes are necessary for legal compliance

This provision avoids bureaucratic delays requiring General Assembly reconvening for minor regulatory adjustments.

8.11 Member-Requested Amendments

The drafting committee received approximately 6 amendment requests during the consultation period. Key accepted amendments:

From Bahrain:

- Integration of FISpT history into Article 1
- Recognition of founding in Strasbourg on 3 April 1982
- Brief historical summary included in statutes
- Anti-doping approach modified from "code compliance" to "educational plan" (FISpT not yet WADA signatory)

Technical Amendments:

- Grammatical corrections identified by members
- Clarification of Article 5.2 reference to Italian Legislative Decree 117/2017 (Third Sector Code)

8.12 Vote on New Statutes

Motion: To adopt the revised statutes as presented, including headquarters relocation to Italy, IPACS principles adoption, new board structure, expanded membership categories, and governance reforms.

Vote Result: APPROVED

Status: New Statutes adopted

Following statute adoption, the voting structure immediately changed:

- National Members: 5 votes each (increased from 1)
- Individual Members: 1 vote each (unchanged)

National Members (16 members, 5 votes each = 80 votes):

National Member	Delegate	Position	Attendance
Georgian National Federation Sport for All	Maia Azarashvili	President	In Person
FederSwiss Sports for All	Marco Tomasini	President	In Person
Malta Sport for All	Anita Pariani	President	In Person
Federazione Italiana Sport per Tutti	Filippo Maria Capatti	Secretary General	In Person
Fédération Ivoirienne de Randonnée Pédestre	Essan Amoin Marie-Laure	President	In Person
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General Egyptian Sport for All Federation	Emad Elbannany	President	Online
UAE Sport for All Federation	Dr. Ahmad Saad Abdulla Al-Sharif	Delegate	In Person
All India Association of Sports for All	Sudhir Kumar Sharma	Hon. General Secretary	Online
Bahrain Sport for All Association	Isa Abdurrahim	President	In Person
Sports Union of Slovenia	Patrik Perosa	Secretary General	In Person
Hellas Sport For All	Theodoros Tsaganos	President	Online
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Ukraine Active	Oleksandra Boliak	Executive Director	In Person
Kenya Sport for All Federation	Moses Ondeng	President	Online

Table 1: National Members Present at Opening

Individual Members (9 members, 1 vote each = 9 votes):

1. Ubaidulloev Zubaidullo (Online)
2. Marco Tomasini (In Person)
3. Andrii Boliak (In Person)
4. Michele Barbone (In Person)

5. Nijat Hasanov (Online)
6. Emad El Bannany (Online)
7. Isa Mohammed Abdulrahim (In Person)
8. Goran Aleksovski (Online)
9. Omar Suleiman Hindawi (Online)

Total Initial Voting Power: 89 votes (80 from national members + 9 from individual members)

9. APPROVAL OF NEW MEMBERS

9.1 Current Membership Reading

Following statute adoption, the Assembly Secretary read the complete list of existing members operating under the new statute:

National Members (16):

Georgian National Federation Sport for All, FederSwiss Sport for All, Malta Sport for All, Federazione Italiana Sport per Tutti, Fédération Ivoirienne de Randonnée Pédestre et Bien-être pour Tous, Ministry of Youth and Sport of Azerbaijan, Fédération Royale Marocaine du Sport pour Tous, Egyptian Sport for All Federation, UAE Sport for All Federation, All India Association of Sport for All, Bahrain Sport for All Association, Sports Union of Slovenia, Hellas Sport for All, Kazakhstan Sport for All, Ukraine, Kenya Sport for All Federation

Individual Members (9):

Ubaidulloev Zubaidullo, Marco Tomasini, Andrii Boliak, Michele Barbone, Nihat Asanov, Emad El-Bannani, Isa Mohamed Abdurrahim, Goran Aleksovski, Omar Suleiman Hindawi

9.2 New National Member Applications

Applicant National Members (8):

1. Fédération Française Sport pour Tous (France)
2. Association for Sport for All Serbia (Serbia)
3. Fédération Malienne de Sport pour Tous (Mali)
4. Fédération Togolese de Sport pour Tous (Togo)
5. Monaco Urban Sport Federation (Monaco)
6. Turkish Sport for All Federation (Turkey)
7. Sport for All Nepal (Nepal)
8. Cyprus Sport for All (Cyprus)

Voting Procedure: Members could select individual applicants to approve or decline. Non-selection constitutes non-approval.

Vote Result: APPROVED

Status: ALL EIGHT new National Members APPROVED

Approved members were invited to collect voting credentials from the Electoral Commission to participate in subsequent elections.

New Total National Members: 24

9.3 New Individual Member Applications

Applicant Individual Members (15):

Patrik Perosa, Veribor Serdic, Anita Pariani, Attila Adamfi, Michael Buchel, Robert Nob Rauch, Stavri Bello, Enzo Casadidio, Kuong Hon CHE, Kalen M.A. Allawi, Sonsan Attala Diab Elawi, Reka Reichard, Alexandra Boliak, Roberto Selci, Fiona Johnson

Voting Procedure: Members selected individual applicants to approve.

Vote Result: APPROVED

Status: ALL FIFTEEN new Individual Members APPROVED

Approved Individual Members invited to collect voting credentials from Electoral Commission.

New Total Individual Members: 24

9.4 Change of National Member Name (Ukraine)

Motion: To approve name change for Ukrainian National Member:

FROM: Ukraine Active

TO: Sport for All Federation of Ukraine

Rationale: Ms. Oleksandra Boliak explained the renaming aligns the organization with international federation naming conventions and has support of Ukrainian government and Ministry of Sport. The organization remains unchanged; only the name is updated.

Vote Result: APPROVED

Status: Name change accepted

9.5 New Committee Member Applications

Applicant Committee Members (8):

1. International Dart Federation
2. International Music Sport Committee
3. International Traditional Sport and Games Committee
4. International Sport Network Organization
5. International Sport Organization
6. Sport Union Down Syndrome
7. International Mind Sport Association
8. International Federation of Adapted Physical Activity

Vote Result: APPROVED

Status: ALL EIGHT Committee Members APPROVED

Total Committee Members: 8

9.6 New Associate Member Applications

Applicant Associate Members (10):

1. World Federation of National Baton Twirling
2. Federazione Italiana Giochi e Sport Tradizionali (Italian Traditional Sports and Games Federation)
3. International Dance Organization
4. Pan-European University, Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina
5. General Association of World Sport Federations
6. World Sport University
7. Cyprus Paralympic Committee
8. Montenegrin Federation for Company Sport

Vote Result: APPROVED

Status: ALL EIGHT Associate Members APPROVED

Total Associate Members: 8

9.7 Conditional Associate Member Applications (Pending Investigation)

Motion: To grant authority to the newly elected Board to approve or reject the following Associate Member applications after due diligence investigation:

Applicants Under Investigation (8):

1. Sierra Leone Combat Jiu-Jitsu Federation
2. Federação Portuguesa de Loan Tao Campo (Portugal)
3. School Sport Federation of India
4. Beach Game Federation of India
5. Association for National Sport Federation India
6. Sport Jiu-Jitsu International Federation
7. World Fitness Running Federation
8. World Bodybuilding and Physique Sport Federation

Vote Result: APPROVED

Status: Board authorized to approve/reject after investigation

9.8 Summary of Membership Approval

Membership Growth:

Category	Previous	Approved	New Total
National Members	31	+8	39
Individual Members	32	+15	47
Committee Members	0	+8	8
Associate Members	0	+8	8
Total Members	63	+39	102

Table 3: Membership Growth Through General Assembly

Additional Pending: 8 Associate Members under investigation

Projected Total: Up to 110 members pending Board investigation outcomes

The Assembly recessed for 10 minutes before commencing the electoral portion.

10. ELECTIONS

10.1 Electoral Oversight and Candidate Validation

Following the recess, the Electoral Commission confirmed validation of all candidature documentation. Ms. Stefania Puglisi presented the verified candidate list with no procedural anomalies identified.

Note: One candidacy (Mending Onno con Goleis) was rejected due to lack of required endorsement.

10.2 Election for President

Initial Candidates:

1. Mr. Isa Mohamed Abdurrahim Al-Rafaei
2. Mr. Marco Tomasini

Candidate Presentations:

Mr. Isa Abdurrahim (3-minute presentation):

Mr. Abdurrahim expressed pride in the new strategy, vision, and mission presented during the General Assembly. He thanked Marco Tomasini and Patrik Perosa for their exceptional work. He stated his wish that Mr. Tomasini would withdraw from the presidential race to serve instead as CEO, believing they would form a strong leadership team to move FISpT forward and bring the strategic plan to life.

Mr. Marco Tomasini (statement):

Mr. Tomasini stated he could not continue running against Isa and formally requested the General Assembly's permission to change the agenda to create the CEO position and withdraw his presidential candidacy.

Procedural Motion: To amend the agenda to add election of Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

Vote Result: APPROVED

Status: Agenda amended to include CEO election

Presidential Election Outcome:

With Mr. Tomasini's withdrawal, Mr. Isa Mohamed Abdurrahim Al-Rafaei became the sole candidate.

Vote Result: APPROVED

Elected President: Mr. Isa Mohamed Abdurrahim Al-Rafaei

10.3 Election for Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

Candidate: Mr. Marco Tomasini (sole candidate following agenda amendment)

Candidate Presentation:

Mr. Tomasini acknowledged aging and personal changes but reaffirmed commitment to FISpT's mission. He thanked President Abdurrahim for the endorsement and noted the value of unified leadership. He emphasized that healthy debate and occasional disagreement on professional matters strengthens the organization, while personal friendship remains constant. He requested the Assembly's support as CEO.

Vote Result: APPROVED

Elected CEO: Mr. Marco Tomasini

10.4 Election for Vice-President for Education**Initial Candidates:**

1. Ms. Anita Pariani
2. Mr. Marco Tomasini (now ineligible due to CEO election)
3. Dr. Ahmad Saad Al-Sharif

Candidate Presentation:

Dr. Ahmad Saad Al-Sharif (3-minute presentation):

Dr. Al-Sharif expressed happiness to participate in the well-organized General Assembly and optimism about the new leadership bringing success. He previewed proposals for the afternoon FISpT Congress, including the FISpT Award international recognition program. He set an ambitious goal of 100+ countries participating in the next General Assembly and thanked President Abdurrahim and CEO Tomasini for their leadership.

Ms. Anita Pariani (withdrawal):

Ms. Pariani withdrew her candidacy, stating the timing was appropriate and correct for Dr. Al-Sharif to assume the role.

Vote Result: APPROVED (sole remaining candidate)

Elected Vice-President for Education: Dr. Ahmad Saad Al-Sharif

10.5 Election for Vice-President for Traditional Sports and Games

Candidate: Mr. Enzo Casadidio (sole candidate)

Candidate Presentation:

Mr. Casadidio thanked the General Assembly for the opportunity to represent his federation and the traditional sports movement. He emphasized the meaningful nature of sport-for-all activities and promised to present concrete proposals and objectives during the afternoon Congress. He thanked President Abdurrahim and expressed that these opportunities must be embraced for the love of sport and to strengthen the sport-for-all family.

Vote Result: APPROVED

Elected Vice-President for Traditional Sports and Games: Mr. Enzo Casadidio

10.6 Election for Vice-President for Parasports

Candidate: Mr. Omar Suleiman Hindawi (sole candidate, absent from proceedings)

Vote Result: APPROVED

Elected Vice-President for Parasports: Mr. Omar Suleiman Hindawi

10.7 Election for Vice-President for Sport

Initial Candidates:

1. Mr. Michal Buchel (online from Lausanne)
2. Mr. Attila Adamfi Tamas
3. Mr. Emad Elbanani (absent)

Candidate Presentations:

Mr. Michal Buchel (3-minute presentation):

Speaking from Lausanne, Mr. Buchel expressed gratitude for his candidature acceptance and outlined his qualifications:

- Member of Association of IOC Recognised International Sports Federations (AIMS) for nearly two decades
- 20+ years experience in sports industry
- Leadership of multiple multi-sport organizations and events
- Commitment to bringing innovative ideas for event creation and development

Mr. Attila Adamfi (3-minute presentation and withdrawal):

Mr. Adamfi congratulated newly elected officials and described his involvement in two sports:

- Bandy (winter team sport, IOC-recognized)
- Weightlifting (summer individual Olympic sport)

He stated his philosophy that positions are tools to achieve organizational objectives, not personal goals. He respectfully withdrew from Vice-President candidacy to support colleague Michal Buchel, while requesting General Assembly support for his Executive Council (Board Member) candidacy to help reshape and develop the Federation.

Mr. Emad Elbanani: Absent, no presentation.

Vote Result: 6 votes for Emad Elbanani, all the other available votes for Michal Buchel

Elected Vice-President for Sport: Mr. Michal Buchel

10.8 Election for Treasurer

Candidate: Mr. Roberto Selci (sole candidate)

Candidate Presentation:

Mr. Selci introduced his professional background:

- 30 years as chartered accountant (dottore commercialista) specializing in sports sector
- Experience in sports promotion entities as controller and fiscal consultant
- Dedication to FISpT development

Vote Result: APPROVED

Elected Treasurer: Mr. Roberto Selci

10.9 Election for General Secretary**Initial Candidates:**

1. Mr. Marco Tomasini

2. Ms. Oleksandra Boliak (withdrew candidacy before General Assembly)

Procedural Action:

With Ms. Boliak's withdrawal, the Electoral Commission proposed Mr. Tomasini as sole candidate for General Secretary.

Rationale: The CEO and General Secretary roles complement each other and can be held by the same individual under the new governance structure.

Vote Result: APPROVED

Elected General Secretary: Mr. Marco Tomasini

10.10 Election for Board Members

Following the election of Vice-Presidents, three candidates were removed from Board Member eligibility:

- Mr. Marco Tomasini (elected CEO and General Secretary)
- Mr. Enzo Casadidio (elected Vice-President for TSG)
- Mr. Michal Buchel (elected Vice-President for Sport)

Eligible Board Member Candidates (17):

Oleksandra Boliak, Anita Pariani, Stavri Bello, Robert “Nob” Rauch, Charlier “Betty” Béatrice, Attila Adamfi, Emad Elbanani (absent), Nouzha Bidjouane, Reka Reichard, Mohamed Abbas Ahmed Ali, Patrik Perosa, Essan Amoin Marie-Laure, Kuong Hon CHE, Sudhir Kumar Sharma

Candidate Presentations (selected highlights):

Ms. Oleksandra Boliak (Ukraine):

Expressed willingness to improve FISpT organization and develop workflows successfully implemented at national level in Ukraine. Believes current Ukrainian experience will prove valuable at international level.

Ms. Anita Pariani (Italy/Malta):

Expressed happiness to join the FISpT family and hope to contribute professional competence and life experience at an advanced age. Committed to providing useful expertise for FISpT's journey.

Mr. Stavri Bello (Albania):

Emphasized that sport brings people together and pledged to do his best if elected to the Executive Council.

Mr. Robert Nob Rauch (USA):

President of World Flying Disc Federation with 39 years of sports administration experience (16 years as WFDF President). Emphasized grassroots development approach: building sports from ground up rather than top-down imposition. Highlighted flying disc accessibility as model for sport-for-all. Expressed belief that FISpT can build on traditional sports successes to expand grassroots participation.

Ms. Charlier “Betty” Béatrice (France):

President of French Sport for All Federation since 2017 (founding federation of FISpT). Former director of cancer screening center for 30 years, bringing health-focused sport

perspective. Committed to making sport a tool in service of all people throughout life. Pledged to share French federation experience with member countries.

Mr. Attila Adamfi (Hungary):

Reiterated withdrawal from Vice-President race to support Michal Buchel, requesting Board Member support instead to contribute Olympic movement experience from both summer and winter sports.

Ms. Nouzha Bidiouane (Morocco):

Double world athletics champion, Olympic medalist, and best female Arab athlete in history (400m specialty). Lived 20 years at international level. Expressed duty to promote sport nationally and across Africa. Thanked President Abdurrahim and African colleagues. Committed to sport-for-all development.

Mr. Patrik Perosa (Slovenia):

Secretary General of Sports Union of Slovenia (70+ years history, one of Europe's largest sport-for-all associations). 25+ years experience in international and European associations. Expertise in Erasmus+ program (10+ years active participation). Annually assists multiple organizations in consortium building and funding acquisition. Committed to developing sport-for-all at local and regional levels, promoting healthy lifestyles for citizens. Pledged to help make FISpT's future as strong as its founding.

Professor Kuong Hon CHE (China, online):

Unable to attend in person due to Asian Games inspection duties in Nagoya. Expressed happiness to meet colleagues. Promised to support traditional sports development through involvement with World Jujitsu Federation and other organizations. Committed to contributing to FISpT's mission.

Ms. Essan Amoin Marie-Laure (Côte d'Ivoire):

President of African Confederation of Walking and Wellness for All, and President of Ivorian Federation of Walking and Wellness for All. Conveyed gratitude from President of Côte d'Ivoire and Minister of Sports. Sports enthusiast and recipient of Ivorian national excellence award from President. Passionate about developing sport-for-all in Africa and worldwide.

Mr. Sudhir Kumar Sharma (India, online):

Congratulated newly elected President Abdurrahim and CEO Tomasini. Expressed encouragement about FISpT's future vision. Emphasized that sport-for-all provides entertainment and physical fitness from toddlers to elderly. Committed to working with the organization for sport-for-all development.

Mr. Mohamed Abbas Ahmed Ali (Bahrain):

Noted FISpT's return to Italy, recalling the federation's 1980 Paris establishment. Expressed hope to grow as unified family integrating Paralympics, education, traditional sports, dance, and all activities. Thanked delegates for attending the EGM and invited all to visit Bahrain.

Voting Procedure:

Members could vote for up to 12 candidates from the eligible list.

Vote Result:

ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS (12):

1. Alexandra Boliak
2. Anita Pariani
3. Stavri Bello

4. Robert Nob Rauch
5. Charlier “Betty” Béatrice
6. Attila Adamfi
7. Nouzha Bidiouane
8. Reka Reichard
9. Mohamed Abbas Ahmed Ali
10. Patrik Perosa
11. Essan Amoin Marie-Laure
12. Kuong Hon CHE

The Assembly applauded all newly elected Board Members.

10.11 Complete Elected Board Summary

FISpT BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2026-2030:

Executive Leadership:

- President: Isa Mohamed Abdurrahim Al-Rafaei (Bahrain)
- Chief Executive Officer: Marco Tomasini (Italy)
- General Secretary: Marco Tomasini (Italy)
- Vice-President for Education: Ahmad Saad Al-Sharif (UAE)
- Vice-President for Traditional Sports and Games: Enzo Casadidio (Italy)
- Vice-President for Sport: Michal Buchel (Switzerland)
- Vice-President for Parasports: Omar Suleiman Hindawi (Palestine)
- Treasurer: Roberto Selci (Italy)

Board Members:

- Alexandra Boliak (Ukraine)
- Anita Pariani (Italy/Malta)
- Stavri Bello (Albania)
- Robert Nob Rauch (USA)
- Charlier “Betty” Béatrice (France)
- Attila Adamfi (Hungary)
- Nouzha Bidiouane (Morocco)
- Reka Reichard (Hungary)
- Mohamed Abbas Ahmed Ali (Bahrain)
- Patrik Perosa (Slovenia)
- Essan Amoin Marie-Laure (Côte d'Ivoire)
- Kuong Hon CHE (China)

Total Board Size: 19 members (7 executive positions + 12 board members)

11. MANDATE TO BOARD TO APPROVE MINUTES

Motion: To grant the newly elected Board authority to approve the minutes of this Extraordinary General Meeting and Electoral Congress.

Rationale: The next ordinary General Assembly will occur in four years. Preliminary approval by the Board ensures timely documentation, with formal ratification at the next General Assembly in 2030.

Vote Result: APPROVED

Status: Board authorized to approve minutes pending formal ratification at next General Assembly

12. OTHER TOPICS AND MEMBER STATEMENTS

12.1 Greeting from Association for Sport for All Serbia

Mr. Branko (Serbia) expressed honor in joining FISpT and becoming part of the international sport-for-all family. He congratulated all elected officials and distributed brochures describing Serbian sport-for-all activities, inviting future collaboration opportunities.

12.2 Closing Remarks by Secretary and CEO

Mr. Marco Tomasini expressed pride in the smooth election process, noting the General Assembly concluded 10 minutes ahead of the revised schedule (originally 12:30 target, revised to 13:00 after break, concluded at 12:50). He commended this efficiency as representative of desired organizational standards.

13. PRESIDENTIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: FINANCIAL DONATION

In a significant closing announcement, President Isa Mohamed Abdurrahim Al-Rafaei addressed the Federation's financial situation:

Statement: President Abdurrahim expressed personal shame upon learning during the General Assembly that FISpT had zero budget in its accounts. To immediately address this situation and provide startup capital for the new Board's activities, he announced:

"I am going to pay €10,000 from myself to the FISpT account."

The General Assembly responded with extended applause and gratitude for this personal financial commitment to revitalize the Federation.

14. FORMAL CLOSURE

14.1 Declaration of Closure

At 12:50 CET, President Isa Mohamed Abdurrahim Al-Rafaei formally declared the Extraordinary General Meeting and Electoral Congress closed.

RESOLUTIONS SUMMARY

The Extraordinary General Meeting and Electoral Congress adopted the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION 2026-01: Appointment of Electoral Commission

Status: APPROVED

Members: Stefania Puglisi, Valeriano Vitellozzi, Piercarlo Pilani

RESOLUTION 2026-02: Election of Assembly President and Secretary

Status: APPROVED

President: Filippo Maria Capatti

Secretary: Andrea Robbia

RESOLUTION 2026-03: Approval of Agenda

Status: APPROVED

RESOLUTION 2026-04: Approval of Financial Statement and Discharge of Board and Approval of the Strategic Plan

Status: APPROVED

Financial Position: Zero balance (all expenses paid by outgoing President)

Discharge: Full discharge granted to outgoing Board and approved Strategic Plan

RESOLUTION 2026-05: Adoption of New Statutes

Status: APPROVED

Key Changes: Headquarters relocation to Italy, IPACS principles adoption, new board structure, expanded membership categories, dual signature requirement, CAS jurisdiction, IOC compliance mandate

RESOLUTION 2026-06: Approval of New National Members

Status: APPROVED (16 in favor, 3 against)

New Members (8): France, Serbia, Mali, Togo, Monaco, Turkey, Nepal, Cyprus

RESOLUTION 2026-07: Approval of New Individual Members

Status: APPROVED

New Members (15): Including Patrik Perosa, Attila Adamfi, Robert Nob Rauch, Stavri Bello, Enzo Casadidio, and others

RESOLUTION 2026-08: Approval of Ukraine Name Change

Status: APPROVED

Change: Ukraine Active → Sport for All Federation of Ukraine

RESOLUTION 2026-09: Approval of Committee Members

Status: APPROVED

New Members (8): Including International Dart Federation, International Music Sport Committee, International Traditional Sport and Games Committee, Sport Union Down Syndrome, and others

RESOLUTION 2026-10: Approval of Associate Members

Status: APPROVED (1 against)

New Members (10): Including Federazione Italiana Giochi e Sport Tradizionali, Cyprus Paralympic Committee, and others

RESOLUTION 2026-11: Authority to Board for Pending Associate Members

Status: APPROVED

Pending Investigation (8): Sierra Leone, Portugal, and various Indian federations

RESOLUTION 2026-12: Amendment of Agenda to Add CEO Election

Status: APPROVED

Effect: Added Chief Executive Officer election to proceedings

RESOLUTION 2026-13: Election of President

Status: APPROVED

Elected: Isa Mohamed Abdurrahim Al-Rafaei

RESOLUTION 2026-14: Election of Chief Executive Officer

Status: APPROVED

Elected: Marco Tomasini

RESOLUTION 2026-15: Election of Vice-President for Education

Status: APPROVED

Elected: Ahmad Saad Al-Sharif

RESOLUTION 2026-16: Election of Vice-President for Traditional Sports and Games

Status: APPROVED

Elected: Enzo Casadidio

RESOLUTION 2026-17: Election of Vice-President for Parasports

Status: APPROVED

Elected: Omar Suleiman Hindawi

RESOLUTION 2026-18: Election of Vice-President for Sport

Status: APPROVED (majority vote)

Elected: Michal Buchel

RESOLUTION 2026-19: Election of Treasurer

Status: APPROVED

Elected: Roberto Selci

RESOLUTION 2026-20: Election of General Secretary

Status: APPROVED

Elected: Marco Tomasini

RESOLUTION 2026-21: Election of Board Members

Status: APPROVED

Elected (12): Alexandra Boliak, Anita Pariani, Stavri Bello, Robert Nob Rauch, Charlier "Betty" Béatrice, Attila Adamfi, Nouzha Bidiouane, Reka Reichard, Mohamed Abbas Ahmed Ali, Patrik Perosa, Essan Amoin Marie-Laure, Kuong Hon CHE

RESOLUTION 2026-22: Mandate to Board to Approve Minutes

Status: APPROVED

Authority: Board authorized to approve minutes pending ratification at 2030 General Assembly