



## **Minutes of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Congress**

**Gateshead International Stadium**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2013**



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1. **Welcome from Organiser** - Richard Hunter (Hexham) welcomed all delegates to the Congress at Gateshead International Stadium. Pointing out that the stadium is a World Class facility having hosted the 2013 European Team Championships. He also welcomed new delegates to their first congress.
  
2. **Opening Speech** - Noël Levêque, EAP President
  
3. The following meetings confirmed their attendance at the Congress and three (3) members were recorded as not being present (Chambery, Cagne-sar-Mar, Aoista)

Meeting	Name
Donnas	Hermes Perotto Critiue Ratto
Biella	Lodovico Meliga Luciana Sosaro
Leiria	Daniel Perfira Paulo Reis
Budapest	Timea Teglassy Sator Topelo Peter Vorompani Eliza Balazs
Namur	Christian Halloy (Treasurer)
Novi Sad	Milos Petrovic
Loughborough	Nick Dakin
Nivelles	Michelle Smeets Noel Levêque (President)
Geneva	Pablo Cassana

Celle Ligre	Giorgio Remudod
Palafrugell	Josep Massa
Pavia	Antonio
Amsterdam	Amelie
Bilboa	Alfonso Echavove
Riga/Kulgida Katherine Cup	Ieva Zunda Ieva Blusina
Hull	John Brant
Hexham	Richard Hunter

#### 4. Minutes of 22<sup>nd</sup> Congress in Namur 2012

It was mentioned that there had been difficulty with the minutes from last years Congress and they were not made available earlier. They have not been circulated to members but can be seen on the EAP website.

Vote to accept minutes as correct – 12 votes to accept / 4 abstentions

Minutes are available at [http://www.eap-circuit.org/rubrique.php3?id\\_rubrique=26](http://www.eap-circuit.org/rubrique.php3?id_rubrique=26)

#### 5. Membership

Four new meetings had applied to be part of the European Athletics Promotions Circuit in 2014.

There was also interest from an indoor meeting in Ireland (Athlone) but they did not confirm their attendance at the Congress.

**Presentations were made by each applicant.**

##### a. Hull Athletics Festival Day – UK (John Brant)

- i. **Date of the meeting: 17 May 2014** - Details on presentation, the meeting has support from the local City Council. Hull was applying to be “City of Culture” and there are good links with Europe through Humberside Airport. The meeting would cater for a wide range of events for men and women including young athletes (EAP Future). Biella asked if it is open to foreign young athletes. John Brant confirmed that the meeting was open to young athletes from the EAP. The meeting would be promoted on EAP and they look forward to EAP members attending in 2014.

**b. VIII Meeting Internacional Cidade De Leiria" – POR (Paulo Reis)**

- i. Questions concerning the small budget were asked. The budget is small and priority is for EAP members. The presentation highlighted the quality of the stadium and its record for hosting European Team Championships and European Winter Throws Meeting.
- ii. Date proposed – 7<sup>th</sup> June 2014

**c. Novi Sad Open – SER (Milos)**

The presentation was given and the by Milos Petrovic as a representative of the Novi Sad Meeting - Athletic Club "Vojvodina"

- i. Date of meeting – July 2014
- ii. Budget (€60k), transport links (80km from Belgrade), accommodation and stadium facilities were provided in the presentation.

**d. Amsterdam Open**

- i. Gave a presentation about the changes at the Amsterdam meeting and the relationship with the Flame Games. The Flame Games being organised and funded by the City of Amsterdam.
- ii. Some changes but the programme stays the same between 2-3 hours
- iii. There will be an additional Youth Programme earlier in the day.

**e. Gateshead Indoor Jumps Festival**

- i. The presentation made by Richard Hunter on behalf of the organisers gave an outline of the indoor meeting with its programme of jumping events to be staged indoors at Gateshead on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2014.
- ii. The budget was small and it was proposed that EAP members would have priority in 2014.

**f. Vote in accepting the new meetings into the EAP Circuit**

Hull                      16 Votes

Leila 16 Votes

Novi Sad 16 Votes

Gateshead 15 Votes

**g. Existing Members**

- i. **Cagne-sur-Mar** - As there was no communication from Cagne-sur-Mar and they did not attend the Congress, there was a vote to expel the meeting from the EAP.
- ii. The vote to expel was 12 votes in favour with 4 abstentions.

**6. Confirm 2014 Calendar**

- a. The following dates were provisionally agreed subject to some members having to get their dates confirmed by their National Federation.
- b. PC updated the website page
- c. Members were invited to inform the EAP if they wanted to promote other events that fellow EAP members would possibly be interested in.  
Finalization of the *event by event's* grid of each meeting

<b>2014 Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>
15/3	Gateshead Indoors Jumps Fest
31/3	Parafrugell
4/5	Pavia
17/5	Hull
28/5	Namur
29/5	Riga
31/5 – 1/6	Hexham
7/6	Leiria
14/6	Geneva
15/6	Budapest
21/6	Bilbao
26/6	Celle
28/6	Nivelles
6/7	Chambery
12 – 19/7	Novi Sad
13/7	Donnas
19/7	Loughborough
20/7	Aosta
23/8	Amsterdam

## ***LUNCH BREAK***

### **7. Vinco Sport (VS) - Presentation by Matt Quine**

- a. Matt gave a presentation on how VS can provide internet based TV coverage of meetings <http://www.vincosport.com/>
- b. Fee to EAP as an organisation was proposed (€1000)
- c. Travel & Accommodation would be responsibility of each meeting
- d. Proposal that VS attend 10 meetings
- e. It was agreed that up to 10 meetings could be covered by €1000 Fee
- f. An additional cost for more meetings if required would be necessary.
- g. There were no objections to the proposal to pay for this service.

Vote for: 16 votes

### **8. Overview of 2013 – Rules/Regulations**

A problem with sending emails to all members to confirm the meeting is taking place – not all meetings sent information to all members re. meeting

Kuldiga – late info about this meeting. Kuldiga said they had filled all of the places and used their budget without sending the information 1 month before the meeting.

Pavia – no invitation was send out.

Meetings were asked to confirm the date/meeting 2 months to invite athletes/EAP members

1 month before the meeting - Confirm athletes places in the meeting

This procedure (see EAP Rules) must be followed in future.

### **9. Financial report by the EAP treasurer, Christian Halloy.**

Income from 2013 membership fees

EAP membership fee €185



New members to pay a unique entry fee of €100

**Registration Fee:**

- a. Discussion regarding members with 2 meetings – should they pay 100 euros to add 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting or are they an existing member. Riga agreed to pay for 2 meetings
- b. Gateshead Meeting (organised by Team Decathlon) has paid 2 registration fees.

**10. 2013 statistical review**

Josep Massa gave his presentation and highlighted the fact that standards have declined over time (see statistical data)

The new and old systems were presented so that the standards could be observed and compared.

**11. Future Congress Dates**

The future hosts of the annual Congress of the EAP was discussed and it was agreed that the following members would host the Congress in 2017 and 2018.

<b>2018</b>	2-4 Nov.	<i>28th EAP Congress, Novi Sad (SER)</i>
<b>2017</b>	3-5 Nov.	<i>27th EAP Congress, Budapest (HUN)</i>
<b>2016</b>	4-6 Nov.	<i>26th EAP Congress, Nivelles (BEL)</i>
<b>2015</b>	6-8 Nov.	<i>25th EAP Congress, Amsterdam (NED)</i>
<b>2014</b>	7-9 Nov.	<i>24th EAP Congress, Biella (ITA)</i>

**12. 2014 EAP Observers**

As in previous years, it was agreed that Observers would attend meetings and be given accreditation to observe and make a report on the meetings they attend.

The host meeting should provide accommodation and meals to the observer and the observers for 2014 meetings were agreed as follows:

<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Observer</b>
Kuldiga	Celle Ligure or Hexham
Gateshead	Geneva
Pavia	Celle Ligure
Hull	Hexham
Naumr	Nivelles
Riga	Leivia
Palafrugell	Bilbao
Leivia	Hexham
Geneva	Budapest or Loughborough
Budapest	Amsterdam
Hexham	Bilbao
Celle Ligure	Riga
Biella	Donnas
Nivelles	Namur
Bilbao	Amsterdam
Chambery	Loughborough
Donnas	Biella
Aosta	Donnas
Loughborough	Pavia
Novi Sad	Geneva
Amsterdam	Namur

### **13. Official Photograph & Exchange of Gifts**

- a. Group Photo was taken on Sunday morning at the Baltic Square, Gateshead
- b. Gifts were exchanged

### **14. Departure**

- a. All delegates departed in Sunday and we wished them a safe trip. We look forward to seeing all our colleagues again at EAP meetings in 2014.

**Agenda items not covered during the congress are below:**

**Definition of the communication's goals and new EAP website project.**

**Sponsor search for the EAP circuit:** creation of a commission and goals

**Meetings' organization system management :** « EAP Manager »  
Overlook of the online system (registrations, lists, hotel, budget etc.) and costs

**2013 Circuit quality of our organizations :**

Reports of the EAP delegates on the organizations observed, based on the evaluation's grids.

**2013 self-evaluations of the new EAP meetings (entered in 2012).**

**Workshops (15mins)**

- Creation of an official and mandatory text to be read by the speaker of the meeting
- Creation of a slogan, a text and a tagline for the official supports (brochure, program, website, mails, letterheads, etc.)
- Promotion / gadgets / merchandising
- Presentation to the members of the results of the workshops and vote of the members on the proposed actions to realize