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Enlarged Partial Agreement on Sport (EPAS)

Meeting of the Bureau of the EPAS Governing Board

Monday 5 October 2020
11.30 a.m. – 12.30 a.m.

By video-conference

Working language: English

Conclusions

Present: A. Husting (Chair), M. Crnković, D. Karakasis, A. Morozov, V. Slavkova, F. Tricarico, Z. Verovnik, K. Gjeloshaj, T. Jagodic

Secretariat: S. Frossard, L. Boussard-Turbet, H. Stewart, D. Tramountani, M. Trinker

1. Ministerial Conference (MSL16) - update

The Bureau took note of the update by the Secretariat regarding the hosting of the conference in Athens. As of this day, the conference is confirmed as a physical meeting in Athens, and a video-meeting between Council of Europe secretariat (Protocol, Sport and Committee of Ministers) and the Greek authorities (Ministry of Foreign Affairs) is scheduled to take place on 6 October to discuss matters further.

The secretariat confirmed that as of this day, 22 countries have registered their delegations, 14 of which are represented at ministerial level.

The Bureau agreed to postpone the deadline for participants registration until 15 October.

Regarding the draft resolutions, it was agreed that the secretariat will send the Bureau members the proposed change by Monaco to Resolution no. 1 regarding solidarity, as well as the proposed Turkish compromise for Resolution no. 2 regarding intersex athletes. The Bureau will then react by the end of the day.

2. Public webinar on the impact of COVID-19 on sport – 7 October 2020

The secretariat introduced the elements under preparation for this important webinar which will be open to the public. Only members of the Governing Board or Consultative Committee should be given the floor to speak by the moderator (A. Husting). Z. Verovnik asked if a Slovenian representative could present some in-depth research carried out on the subject. It was decided that no presentations will be given, but the Slovenian expert could request the floor and would have three minutes to intervene.

3. Filling of empty position in the Bureau

Due to the departure of M. Delaperrière (Chair) in September 2020 from her duties at the French Ministry of Sport, the secretariat reminded the Bureau that according to the Rules of Procedure, **the Vice-Chair (A. Husting, Luxembourg) “shall immediately and automatically become Chair for the remainder of that term of office” (June 2021)** and that “the Bureau shall, in that case, appoint a new Vice-Chair from among the representatives sitting in the Bureau for the remainder of that term of office”. Since either the position of Chair or Vice-Chair shall be filled by one of the representatives from Group 1, **the Bureau appointed Mr Alexey Morozov (Russian Federation) as Vice-Chair of the Governing Board until the end of the current mandate (June 2021).**

Given these two appointments, the position in the Bureau from Region 1 was now available to be filled either by France or Italy, until the end of the current mandate. **The Bureau asked the secretariat to contact both states to ask if they wished to stand as candidate for the Bureau,** and to subsequently organise an election by the Governing Board via written procedure.

4. Miscellaneous

K. Gjeloshaj (Chair of the CC) wished to propose some ideas on improving the CC's co-operation with the secretariat and the Governing Board. **The Bureau agreed that he should send a note outlining his thoughts to the Chair and the secretariat, and that an online meeting will then be convened to discuss the content.**