



**ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONALE DES ETUDIANTS CAVALIERS  
INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION**

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**AIEC GENERAL ASSEMBLY (GA) 2006**

**AT AIEC-SRNC BELGIUM (LEUVEN) NOVEMBER 17, 2006**

**Attending National Responsibles:**

Canada	Kyle Goldie (delegated representative for Jennifer Arbuckle, NR CAN)
France	Mailys Girodroux
Belgium	Kristof Verlinden
Netherlands	Eric Hamoen
Spain	Mariana Aróstegui
Switzerland	Sabine Taxer (delegated representative for Rahel Alder, NR SUI)
Luxembourg	Katharina Pfeiffer (delegated representative for Sophie Rossy, NR LUX)
Norway	Marte Bull Barr (delegated representative for Annicken Jegersberg, NR NOR)
Croatia	Zelko Krasovec
Estonia	Jaanus Kallas
Germany	Sebastian Haag
Great Britain	Katie Stephens
United States	Kristof Verlinden (delegated representative for Kama Godek, NR USA)

**AIEC Board:** Barbara Götte, Caty Batten, Stephan Munk, Robert Mallison and Sven Van Damme.  
Excused Board members: Kama Godek and Annicken Jegersberg

**1 - Welcome**

- Opening by the President, followed by a special welcome to this year's new member countries: Croatia and Estonia.
- Explanation to the GA about the attendance of Renske t'Hart (NED) and Tanguy Debieesse (FRA) as candidates to the elections for Board members. Tanguy's late candidature entry for the Board elections is approved by the GA. The Board extends Kama Godek's and Annicken Jegersberg's apologies for not being able to attend the meeting.

**2 - Review AIEC Activities 2006**

- Review of AIEC-SRNC 2006. 5 competitions were held in total. All were successful.
- Problems at AIEC-SRNC Germany (Bonn): deliberate damaging to hotel rooms by some German supporters, as well as mini bar tabs left unpaid by individual members of the following countries - Belgium, Great Britain, Spain, Luxembourg, Germany. The respective NR are asked to arrange immediate payment with the OC, payment details are available from Stephan Munk.
- See also the notes that Stephan Munk already sent out to the NR after the GA for more information about the AIEC SRNC of 2006.
- GBR NR highlights the importance of OC keeping to AIEC rules on judges at SRNC. To be checked for correct level. One British judge in Canada was found after the event, to be below required level of qualification to judge rounds 3 and 4 dressage. This must not happen. Board and GA accept point and NR are advised to enforce all rules regarding judges and other considerations from hosting AIEC-SRNC. The TD's attention needs to be drawn to this matter, as they are the representative of the DOC and AIEC.
- WUEC 2006, France. Question from members as to the AIEC board's decision about any future AIEC involvement with WUEC and FISU. Board has no more to comment on this subject; a line is drawn under the unfortunate developments and events of WUEC 2006, as only Belgian NR sent in any feedback to the board about the event. The AIEC Board states that AIEC hopes to be able to



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work with FISU for WUEC 2008, but first must wait to see who will host this event before a strategy of approach can be considered and developed by AIEC.

### 3 - Preview AIEC Activities for 2007

- Upcoming AIEC-SRNC in 2007:
  - AIEC-SRNC Switzerland (Zürich) - confirmed
  - AIEC-SRNC Algeria, France, USA, Germany, Great Britain - tentative
- WUEC 2008 - No host candidate yet. Interested countries need apply to FISU. AIEC can assist with the correct application procedures.

### 4 - Registration procedures for AIEC-SRNC

- Despite the new and elaborate documentation about registration procedures, there still seems to be a problem for NR when registering and confirming their teams. Countries MUST confirm by the second deadline (= confirmation deadline), after registration, to ensure the participation of their registered riders. Any lack of attendance after confirmation will incur a penalty fee and possible exclusion from attending subsequent SRNC. Any lack of confirmation after registration will mean country loses places to confirmed additional teams/riders. Causes big problems for OC when countries do not attend, as happened to the OC Canada 2006, and it may be detrimental to the country's budget - cf. Ireland that is currently facing high penalty fees.
- NR must follow the exact registration procedures as stated on the AIEC web site to avoid problems for both the OC and the registering country.

### 5 - Promotion of AIEC CUPS

- Renewal of the tradition of the AIEC Cups, to be awarded at the last AIEC-SRNC of each year, for the best overall teams from all AIEC-SRNC during the entire year. Separate cups for dressage, show jumping and combined rankings. Sven shows the magnificent trophy cups to the GA. More info on these will be put onto the AIEC web site by Stephan Munk.

### 6 - New ATD's wanted

- New candidates to become Assistant Technical Delegates (ATD) are needed. ATD candidates will be training at 2 AIEC-SRNC before taking the TD exam. Kristof Verlinden (BEL) will be in charge of the ATD program. Anyone wishing to nominate a member for the ATD program should contact Stephan Munk in the first instance.

### 7 - Financial overview 2006

- AIEC financial accounts. Sven hands out a copy of AIEC's 2006 yearly budget to the NRs. No questions.

### 8 - Election of 2 Treasury Advisors

- 2 people not a part of the AIEC Board are required to check and pre-approve the proposed 2006 AIEC budget. Kristof Verlinden (BEL) and Sebastian Haag (GER) are nominated by the GA, and will be in contact with Sven van Damme a.s.a.p., and proceed with the assessing of the books. Upon their pre-approval, the budget will be presented to the GA for final approval.

### 9 - Increasing the AIEC-SRNC Team Fee

- The AIEC Board proposes to increase the AIEC-SRNC Team Fee from EUR 50.- to EUR 60.- per team and competition from 2007 on, in order to balance the budget and increase AIEC's potential to better support SRNC. This is approved by the GA, replacing the abandoned idea of increasing the yearly membership fee. The EUR 60.- amount per team will make it easier to be split among 3 riders, and offers an advantage to all international/mixed teams.



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### 10 - Election New Board Members

- Sven Van Damme (Treasurer) resigns from the AIEC board after several years of dedicated services. He is presented with a gift of gratitude from the Board, on behalf of AIEC.
- Election of new AIEC Board members:
  - Stephan Munk is reelected to stay on the Board as Director Of Competitions for another term of 2 years.
  - 3 candidates remain for 2 more Board positions:
    1. Kama Godek (USA) - up for reelection
    2. Renske t'Hart (NED) - new candidate
    3. Tanguy Debiesse (FRA) - new candidate
  - The Board introduces Kama on her behalf as she unable to attend. She has been a dedicated Board member for 2 years. Tanguy and Renske introduce themselves.
  - Renske t'Hart (NED) and Tanguy Debiesse (FRA) are elected as new Board members by the General Assembly with simple majority for a term of 2 years.
- In addition, due to illness, AIEC Secretary General Caty Batten will be assisted by Katie Stephens (GBR) as the Assistant AIEC Secretary.

### 11 - Varia

- The NR Canada applies for a reduction of the 2007 membership fees for Canada, to help the country's finances after significant losses at the AIEC-SRNC Canada 2006, partly due to riders failing to attend despite their confirmation. The Board will discuss and review the application.
- Canada found it difficult being a new OC to host an AIEC-SRNC, and would like to contribute to AIEC documents on being a host nation. They will email remarks and feedback to the Board, who will integrate them into the appropriate official AIEC documents.
- France - Tanguy Debiesse will take over the French NR position from Mailys.
- Belgium - Kristof Verlinden encourages countries to run an AIEC-SRNC. Kristof offers to assist in his position as Chief-TD with any problems regarding rules and regulations. He also thanks his colleague TD, Hannah Westropp (GBR), for reviewing and correcting the AIEC dressage tests.
- Croatia - Zelsko Krasovec thanks AIEC for the warm welcome atmosphere, and confirms his riders' excitement about their successful participation at their first AIEC-SRNC in Germany (Bonn) and Belgium (Leuven) 2006.
- Estonia - Jaanus Kallas inquires with the board as to the possibility of hosting a competition with only a few teams, as they expect to encounter some problems with finding enough horses for a larger event. AIEC reminds the GA that according to the AIEC-SRNC General and Technical Regulations, the minimum number of teams required for a SRNC is 12, and suggests that Estonia may want to think about hosting an AIEC-CHIU instead. Estonia is considering this possibility for 2008. AIEC is delighted at this prospect and encourages Estonia to contact the board for as much help and information as possible.
- Stephan Munk requests and re-iterates the point that ALL RIDERS need to be attending the prize-giving ceremony at AIEC-SRNC, and be dressed in riding wear, in respect to the OC and the sponsors of the event. The team chiefs are responsible to ensure their delegation's attendance.

### 12 - Closing