



European Naginata Federation
ENF General Assembly
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Minutes

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ENF General Assembly





Information

The General assembly takes place at the Hôtel Kyriad Prestige 116, avenue de Magudas 33700 Mérignac.










ENF General Assembly started at 19:15 and ended at 23:18 pm of 26th October 2018

Participants

 ENF Officials		
President of the ENF	David D'hose	Present
1 st Vice president of the ENF	Mark Berghaan	Present
2 nd Vice president of the ENF	(not appointed)	---
General Secretary of ENF	Olivier Dupré	Not present
Treasurer of the ENF	Sabrina Semiao	Not present
Technical Director of the ENF	Mark Berghaan	Present

 ENF National Federations Representatives			
 Belgium - BNF			
Responsible	David D'hose	Present	Voting
 Britain - BNA			
Responsible	Claire Leftwitch Winchester	Present	Voting
 Czech Republic - Gorenkai			
Responsible	Stybor Michal	Not present	Not Voting



 Finland- FKA			
Responsible	Maari Paasonen	Not present	Not Voting
 France - CNK			
Responsible	Dominique Pouchard	Present	Voting
 Germany - DnagB			
Responsible	Ines Klose	Present	Voting
 Italy - CIK			
Responsible	Alessia Cerchia	Present	Voting
 Netherlands - NNR			
Responsible	Mark Berghaan	Present	Voting
 Ukraine - UKF			
Responsible	Konstyantyn Stryzhchenko	Not present	Not Voting
 Sweden -SBK			
Responsible	Kirsi Hoglund	Present	Voting
 Portugal -APNagi			
Responsible	Eduardo Brito	Present	Voting
 Israel - ISRNF			
Responsible	Gur Nedzvetsky	Present	Voting

Additional people present

Name	Function
Daria Litunenko	Representative of the Russian Naginata Federation
Oliver Masters	Observer (BNA), minutes recorder
Moroncelli Daniela	Observer (CIK)
Nico Weinberger	Observer (ISRNF)



1. Quorum validation

12 countries compose the ENF.

9 countries are represented.

The majority of voting is fixed to 5 or more.

2. Presentation of the current agenda

The President of the ENF David D'hose has opened the general assembly at 19:15 and after reviewing the agenda has given the voice to the financial auditor, Eduardo Brito. Oliver Masters was chosen to write the minutes, later to be e-mailed to the General Secretary for edition.

3. Eduardo Brito's (Auditor) review of the 2016-2017 ENF account activity

Eduardo was chosen in the 2016 GA as an Auditor. There are past treasurer's reports for 2015 and before. However, As the acting Treasurer Sabrina Semiao was not available, the previous Treasurer Tyl Dermine was asked to provide details about the finances for auditing purposes. Also, Treasurer Report for 2016 was postponed due to the acting Treasurer's inactivity. Nothing was reported in the GA 2017, so the board was unable to approve anything.

After analysing the ENF bank account and with further information provided by e-mail exchange with Tyl Dermine, Eduardo has come to the following conclusions as to 2017 activity: **(Appendix B)**

- Apparently all money was transferred by bank and there is no cash in hand, with the exception of a transaction with the INF, in which there may be cash in hand.
- The website monthly payments are totalling in EUR 191.23, which is expensive and should be changed.
- Payments were received from Sweden, Germany, France
- There are no receipts for 2 payments. Tyl Dermine said that these were payments for INF gradings. Mark Berghaan said that he will find these receipts.
- The Belgium Naginata Federation used the same bank account (current ENF bank account) to transfer money for the 10th European Naginata Championship and Tendo Ryu seminar, which is not an ENF activity.
- Belgium Federation also used this account for some other payments (payments in and out are square for Belgium)
- No real financial report so board cannot sign off. Untill all receipts are found and compared to the actual ins and outs the Auditor is not convinced that there was no cash left in hand for 2017.
- A new ENF bank account will be opened by Mark Berghaan.



4. Mark Berghaan's (Technical Director) word

Mark Berghaan has presented his plan of establishing clear communications between ENF federation members in all that concerns inter-federations gradings (**Appendix A**)

The following rules had reached a consensus during the meetings, and will be followed from now on:

- **When a citizen of a country of an ENF affiliated federation** wants to do an **exam** in Naginata in the country of **another ENF affiliated federation**, the federation hosting the exam will communicate about the possible registration with the federation of the country of which the person applying for the exam is a citizen.
- **When a citizen of a country (in the ENF zone) with no ENF affiliated federation** wants to do an **exam** in Naginata in the country of **an ENF affiliated federation**, the federation hosting the exam will communicate about the possible registration with the **European Naginata Federation**.

5. David D'hose's (President) word

David D'hose presented the current mandate:

- Improvement of communications between federations in all that concerns local seminars, so that more people from abroad will have the option to join.
- Establishing a more efficient way of overall communication by updating the e-mailing list.
- Improving the website and updating its content.
- AJNF is actually providing sensei to INF country members. But they give these sensei to the first country asking. I asked AJNF to provide these sensei to ENF through the board of ENF so that we can get them at the ENF seminar which sounds more logical, but it is not easy.
- Aligning the ENF events with those of INF/AJNF.



6. Vote for the new board

General Secretary

Gur Nedzvetsky: Yes 8, No 0, Abstain 1

Gur Nedzvetsky is elected.

Technical Director

Mark Berghaan: Yes 8, No 0, Abstain 1

Mark Berghaan is re-elected.

President

David D'hose: Yes 8, No 0, Abstain 1

David D'hose is re-elected.

Treasurer election

Eduardo Brito: Yes 9, No 0, Abstain 0

Eduardo Brito is elected.

1st Vice President

Mark Berghaan Yes 9 No 0, Abstain 0

Mark Berghaan is re-elected.

7. Vote for Russia to be accepted as a temporary Member in the ENF.

Several endorsements and recommendations from multiple federations were presented (both present in the GA and not), all in favour of accepting Russia into the ENF.

A point was made that the current Russian statute may require a review on multiple points.

Due to the nature of the Russian law, the Russian Naginata practitioners decided to form themselves as an association, and not federation.

Vote: Due to unanimous vote Russia's temporary membership was accepted.



8. Report of the 2018 INF Board of Directors meeting.

Portugal Affiliation with INF rejected: not enough members. Specifically, INF has a minimum requirement of 10 members for a federation to be considered to become affiliated with INF.

Israel Affiliation with INF is accepted and Israel will be announced as the new temporary INF member in the coming WNC in Germany.

A question was raised whether the ENF should also introduce a 10 member minimum for future ENF affiliations.

Update: INF Board will be having re-election 2019: The entire INF board is likely to be changed.

2019 World Championships to be held in Wiesbaden, Germany 6th - 7th July 2019:

- Details at URL: wnc2019.de, Regulations will be published there.
- There will be a demonstration of Rhythm Naginata.
- ENF members were asked to prepare entertainment for the Sayonara Party.
- Goodwill tournament open to all, including non-INF
- Zen-nihon kata included in WNC 2019

9. Gur Nedzvetsky's (newly elected General Secretary) word

- Please send details of all events that have already taken place in 2018, and will take place in 2018 and 2019 to Gur. To be added to website. Follow-up emails to be sent by Gur
- Gur presented an idea of a Japan-based seminar for national federations leaders (annual, Long-term). Something to be discussed in the near future with the Technical Director..

10. ENF 2018-2019 Organisation

- Dominique (France): ENF needs to take point on communication. The General Secretary will contact ENF members regularly, requesting details of events.
- Locking dates further than 3 months in the future is difficult due to venue, Japanese sensei, etc availability. Solutions and workarounds to be discussed in more detail by the ENF board.
- 2019 ENF Seminar to be held in Braga, Portugal. Same year as World Naginata Championship, so ENF will endeavour to reduce the cost of this seminar.
- ENF Board to discuss seminar cost reduction solutions.
- 2020 ENF seminar and 12th ENC to be held in Uppsala, Sweden.
- Gur (Israel): We should check the option of adding junior categories to ENC events. The General Secretary will ask the local federations to provide information about juniors (below 16) practicing Naginata.
- Shinpan – Apparently there were not enough shinpan to cover 2 shiai jo for Engi for the ENC. Solutions and workarounds to be discussed in more detail by the ENF board.

ENF General Assembly ended at 23:18 pm



11. Appendixes:

Appendix A: Agreement on kyu grading procedure

Appendix B: ENF Financial Audit for 2017

