



# INTERNATIONAL FLOORBALL FEDERATION (IFF)

*Recognised by the IOC  
Ordinary member of SportAccord*

Appendix 20

IFF Referee Committee meeting in Scandic Upplands Väsby in Sweden, 8<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> of March 2014.

Present:

Klaus Koskela, Chairman

Daniel Bollinger, the IFF CB representative

Lukas Gyger, RC Vice-Chair

Pierre Boudville

Radek Hora

Mats Öster

Veli Halonen, secretary

## 1 § Opening

The IFF RC chairman Mr. Klaus Koskela opened the meeting at 14:00 and welcomed all the RC members to the first RC meeting in 2014.

Mr. Koskela informed the RC members of the nomination of Ms. Brigitta Radácsi as a representative from the IFF Athletes Committee to the IFF RC.

## 2 § IFF RC Plan of Action 2011-2015

The RC discussed about the plan of action and it was stated that the plan has fairly well been followed. Most of the issues are already going as planned. Still some work to do especially in finding enough higher level referees from different IFF member countries. The biggest need is to educate the educators to pass the knowledge around the Floorball world.

In order to expand the amount of questions in the on-line rule test the IFF office will ask 10 questions from those IFF member associations, which have international referees. Otherwise the on-line rule test capability already exists.

The RC members will be sent to the IFF office by the end of May 2014 about their new ideas for the RC plan of action for the future.

Mr. Halonen gave a short report of the IFF EOTO project and the schedule of the project and about its possible impacts on the work of the RC.



## INTERNATIONAL FLOORBALL FEDERATION (IFF)

*Recognised by the IOC  
Ordinary member of SportAccord*

Appendix 20

### **3 § Referees / Observers**

Mr. Koskela gave a short report about the general situation about the referee situation in IFF level.

The RC updated the referee classifications based on the performances of the referees.

The RC had a wide discussion about the heads of the referee management in the future IFF events. There is a definite need to expand the group of leaders in order to avoid the situation that few persons are in charge of all the IFF events.

Mr. Öster will create an annual preliminary plan for the participation of the observers to the IFF events.

The RC decided to promote Ales Krzic and Davor Matijasevic from Slovenia to become referees to the ordinary IFF referee group.

### **4 § The head-set testing in CC 2013 and WFC 2013 and actions to be taken based on the testing**

The referee management from the Champions Cup 2013 and WFC 2013 had delivered the reports about the using of the head sets in both events. The reports were very positive and the IFF RC had a discussion about the need of the head sets for the referees to be used in IFF major events.

The RC decided to propose to the IFF CB that the IFF CB would grant the IFF RC the funds to purchase 4 sets of head-sets to be used in the IFF major events (WFC, CC and EFC) for the year 2015. .

### **5 § Upcoming referee and observers nominations 2015-2016**

The RC decided to sent the nomination criteria and information to the IFF Member Associations by June 15<sup>th</sup> 2014 regarding the upcoming referee nominations for 2015-2016 .

The RC also discussed about the criteria in general and then about other optional methods to carry out the physical tests. The physical tests for 2015-2016 will remain the way they've been so far, but the RC will study the possibility to update the tests or find a new ways to test the referees for the nomination period 2017-2018.

If changes will be made for the 2017-2018 the IFF RC will inform the IFF Member Associations latest in September 2015 in order to sec.



## INTERNATIONAL FLOORBALL FEDERATION (IFF)

*Recognised by the IOC  
Ordinary member of SportAccord*

Appendix 20

### 6 § Reports

Mr. Gyger gave a report about the status of the Gold level referees (Appendix)

Mr. Hora gave a report about the status of development group and the female referees (Appendix)

Mr. Halonen gave a report about the status of the Bronze level and new referees. (Appendix)

Mr. Öster gave a report about the status of the IFF observer situation

Mr. Boudville gave a report about the referee situation in Asia and Oceania (Appendix)

Mr. Koskela gave a report about the general situation among the IFF referees. (Appendix)

Mr. Klaus Koskela will be responsible for the Bronze level referees instead of Mr. Erik Bilde, who ended his work in the IFF RC in the end of year 2013.

The Singapore federation will take care of the referee observation during the upcoming WUC in Singapore in June. The RC discussed about the referee situation and the exact number of referees will be decided, when the organizer of the WUC gets the match schedule ready.

Basic idea is to have 3 referee pairs from Asia and 2 pairs from Europe. The pairs to be decided later.

### 7 § Other issues

The RC discussed about the possible feedback from the teams in the future in order to collect more information about the referees' performances in IFF events. Mr. Koskela presented the idea that Ms. Radacki as the representative of the Athletes Commission in the RC would be responsible of the feedback project in the RC in co-operation with the IFF office. The project shall be carried out in close co-operation between the IFF ATC and the IFF RC. Mr. Koskela will be in touch with the ATC chairman Mrs. Magdalena Kotikova about the project.

The information which will be collected will be strictly confidential and only the IFF office has access to that information.

The RC discussed about the possibility to organize educator's education during the early phase of the upcoming WFC 2014 in Gothenburg. The groups would be the IFF observers and possible new observers/educators from IFF member associations. The costs of the participants shall be covered by sending member associations.



## INTERNATIONAL FLOORBALL FEDERATION (IFF)

*Recognised by the IOC  
Ordinary member of SportAccord*

Appendix 20

Mr. Öster will be in touch with the educators of the Swedish Floorball Federation in order to make a preliminary plan for the education. The other RC members shall think about the issues to be added to the education program and to the observers' education the ideas to be sent to Mr. Öster by the end of April 2014.

Mr. Gyger presented some questions regarding the new edition of rules of the game. The RC decided that Mr. Koskela as a chairman of RC shall approach the IFF RACC chairman in order to solve some interpretational issues in co-operation with the RACC and also to discuss about the procedure of the rule changes in the future. After those discussions the RC will inform the IFF Member Associations' referee organizations about the agreed interpretations of the new rules.

The RC decided the nominations for the upcoming Women's U19 WFC 2014, which will be played in Poland. Total of 3 referee observers and 7 referee pairs were nominated.

### **8 § Next Meeting**

The next IFF RC meeting will take place from the 27<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> of September 2014 somewhere in Europe.

### **9 § Closing**

Mr. Koskela thanked the RC members for a good and efficient meeting and closed the meeting at 12:45 on the 9<sup>th</sup> March 2014.

#### **Tasks to be done:**

Mr. Lukas Gyger to contact the Gold level referees and send them information about the status of the group

Mr. Mats Öster to contact the Silver level referees and send them information about the status of the group

Mr. Mats Öster to contact the IFF referee observers and build an annual plan for the upcoming nominations

Mr. Klaus Koskela to inform the bronze level referees that he is responsible of that group

Mr. Klaus Koskela to contact the RACC chairman and ask for the rules related questions brought up by the RC

Mr. Klaus Koskela to contact the IFF Athletes Commission chairman to discuss about the possible project of collecting feedback from the teams in co-operation with the ATC



## INTERNATIONAL FLOORBALL FEDERATION (IFF)

*Recognised by the IOC  
Ordinary member of SportAccord*

Appendix 20

All RC members to send ideas about the possible referee/observer education during the WFC 2014 to Mr. Öster by the 15<sup>th</sup> of April

The IFF office to send out the information to the IFF Member Associations about the nominations for 2015-2016. The information and criteria will be sent out by the 13<sup>th</sup> of June 2014. The deadline for proposals will be the 12<sup>th</sup> of September 2014.