

Champions Cup Steering Group meeting 3/2017, Slovakia 03.12.2017

Participants:	Kimmo Nurminen	CCSG chair, IFF
	Tomas Frank	CFbU
	Kari Lampinen	SSBL
	Magnus Nilsson & Kristoffer Fält	SIBF
	Michael Zoss	SUHV
	Milan Rantakari	IFF/Champions Cup Brand manager
	John Liljelund	IFF secretary general

Report on present issues

1) Opening and Objectives

Mr. Nurminen welcomed everyone to the 3rd meeting for 2017 in Bratislava, Slovakia. Mr. Nurminen concluded that the aim of the meeting is to discuss the Home & Away concept. The Countries are to give a Club's NoNo – list by the mid of January 2018.

2) The Home-Away Game Financial analysis

Mr. Nilsson expressed that the basis for the Home-Away games proves that it will be very difficult to find a pure viable financial model to have a Home Game to pay for the Away game. Mr. Zoss agreed that the Home game will not finance the Away game clearly.

Mr. Lampinen expressed that the home team will still have a possibility to earn money in their Home games. The investment from the National Associations will be used to subsidize the Away matches for the teams. IFF will make the same kind of subsidiary for the lower level countries and pay the prize money. There is also a need to look over the TV question, which IFF could handle. The idea is to build a package with the responsibilities of the Clubs, National Associations and the IFF. The Home & Away project will need outside Sponsors.

Mr. Nurminen concluded that the working group will continue the work on the Home & Away proposal before the March meeting of the CCSG.

3) Feedback by the Swiss Teams

The Swiss Club teams made a wish list of how to run the Champions Cup, but Mr. Zoss felt that a solution could still be reached also satisfying the Swiss.

4) Conclusion and Closing

Mr. Nurminen thanked the CCSG members for a good and efficient meeting
Next CCSG meeting on the 28th of March in Copenhagen.

Upcoming meetings and issues (cont.)

- Copenhagen 28th of March in the afternoon, after the EFT Calendar meeting
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Issues that need to be discussed or decided upon or taken action upon

- All parties will make a wish-list and NoNo-list for their preferences for the Champions Cup before the mid of January
 - The H&A working group will make an updated version of the H&A Concept paper based on the list for the March meeting.
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