

To the

- Members of the Sub-Committee for Masters Racing

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**Minutes of the Meeting Sub-Committee for Masters Racing
FIS Fall 2023 Technical Meetings**

Dear Ski Friends,

We have pleasure in sending you the Minutes of the Meeting of the Sub-Committee for Masters Racing, held today in Zuerich (SUI) during the FIS Fall Technical Meetings.

Additionally, we would also like to take the opportunity of informing you that the Minutes will be available on the Member Section services on the FIS Website: www.fis-ski.com.

Thank you very much for the valuable cooperation.

Kindest regards,



Stefano Arnhold

Chairman Sub-Committee for Masters Racing

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Sub-Committee for Masters Racing

1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed the delegates and thanked everyone for taking the trip to Zuerich (SUI).

2. Roll Call

Members Present:

Stefano Arnhold (Chairman)
Cristobal Calzado
Julie Lemieux (CAN)
Jean-Marie Hennes (FRA)
Bob Davis (USA)
Hanruedi Frueh (SUI)
Helmut Kaufmann (AUT)
Marija Kasic (MNE)
Igor Lapikov (UKR)
Hiroshi Sawano (JPN)
Luka Vucinic (CRO)

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Guests:

Radovan Cagala (SVK)
Didier Bonvin (SUI)
Timo Saresvuo (FIN)
Erika Holand Toesse (NOR)
John Halvorsen (CAN)
Petri Tuomakki (Levi)
Julia Syparenko (UKR)
Paolo Lorati (WWMG)
Bruno Faustinelli (WWMG)
Andrea Noell (GER)
May Peus (ESP)

FIS Office

Alexandra Blum*
Daniel Defago*

Zoom

Rolando Galli* (ITA)

3. Languages Required – The Meeting was held in English.

4. Approval of the Minutes from the last Meeting:

The Minutes of the last Meeting held in Dubrovnik (CRO), May 4th 2023 were approved.

5. Reports

The Report from the opening FMC Competitions in South America was circulated electronically.

Mr. Jean Marie Hennes (FRA) reported that the system is working well and that OC's are being able to implement the suggestions presented.

6. MAS CALENDAR

6.1 Approval of the Calendar for the Season 2023-24

Attached please find the approved Calendar for the Season 2023-24 that contains a total of 86 Races (69 FMC & 17 MAS) organized by 19 different NSAs in 26 Venues comprising 17 SG, 29 SL, 36 GS and 4 AC in 4 Continents.

Mr. Timo Saresvuo (FIN) presented details (see attached) of the races in Levi (FIN) and the Chairman thanked his efforts for bringing Masters Racing back to Finland.

Mr. May Peus, President of the Royal Spanish Winter Sports Federation, presented a 6 year competition plan prepared by Sub-Committee Member Mr. Cristobal Calzado, that also can be see attached.

6.2 WCM 2023

The Program for the World Criterium Masters (WCM) 2024 at Kimberley (CAN) March 1st to 7th, 2024 was approved:

28.02 Training (unofficial)

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01.03 SG Training (official)

02.03 SG A and SL B

03.03 SG C and SL A

04.03 SG B and SL C

05.03 GS A and GS B**

06.03 GS C and GS A**

07.03 GS B and GS C** ** FMC Race

6.3 FMC Finals 2023

The FMC Finals are confirmed for Reiteralalm (AUT) April 4th to 6th, 2024.

6.4 Long Term Calendar

2025 – WCM Megeve (FRA)

 FINALS Pila (ITA) with SG/GS

2026 – GBR (TBC)

 FINALS Sierra Nevada (ESP) SL/GS

2027 – WCM Pila (ITA)
FINALS USA (TBC) SG/SL

2028 – WCM SUI
FINALS Cortina D'Ampezzo (ITA) SG/GS

2029 – WCM Sierra Nevada (ESP)
FINALS FRA SG/GS

7. IT Items

No specific IT item.

8. Equipment Rules

Mr. Arnhold to attend the Equipment Committee Meeting.

9. Rule Change Proposals (RCP)

CAN submitted a RCP late for the Spring Meetings and asked it to be discussed at the Fall Meetings. As it was a RCP related to Equipment it was submitted to the FIS Competition Equipment Committee and feed back from SRS was received.

Based on the above mentioned feed back, the Sub-Committee decided not to approve a change to the recommendation on Men's SL minimum length as well as a change to the mandatory SG minimum length.

The Sub-Committee unanimously approved the proposal to correct the ages of the MA 5) Rule that exempts Masters from length, width and radius restrictions.

10. Finances

The Chair gave a detailed explanation on the status of the accounts related to the IMF – International Masters Fund. All fees from the 2022-23 Season were collected, except Euros 164,00 from Abetone (ITA) that, due to a mistake in the calculation, are still pending. The Chair informed the participants that a study about the use of the IMF Funds is being conducted together with the FIS Office and in case of a positive outcome, a proposal will be presented at the Spring Meeting.

11. Ban on Fluorinated Waxes

Mr. Arnhold explained about the implementation of the fluorinated wax ban and directed the Masters to the FIS Website for more information at

<https://www.fis-ski.com/inside-fis/document-library/fluor-wax-information>

12. World Winter Masters Games 2024 - WWMG

Mr. Paolo Lorati and Mr. Bruno Faustinelli made a small presentation on the WWMG that will be held at Ponte di Legno and at Aprica, both in Lombardia (ITA). The OC will revise the Race Program and agreed to have all the races between January 16th and 19th, 2024. Mr. Helmut Kaufmann (AUT) expressed concerns about current prices and the Chairman asked the OC to present a proposal for the fees and lift ticket, considering FIS Rules.

13. Open Discussions

Mrs. Andrea Noell (GER) suggested that, when building the next Season Calendar, it would be interesting to check the possibility of have one or two weekends dedicated to a single Event (Example: GS one weekend and SL the next) or only two Events so that Masters can transport a smaller number of skis and have Event dedicated weekends.

14. Next Meeting

In Portoroz (SLO), 5th to 9th May 2024 during the FIS Spring Technical Meetings.