



## Notes from the IGC Bureau Zoom meeting, Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025 at 10:00 UTC

### Participants

- Peter Eriksen, president (PE)
- Rick Sheppe, 1st vice-president (RS)
- Sylvain Gerbaud, vice-president (SG)
- Reno Filla, vice president, (RF)
- Frouwke Kuijpers, vice-president (FK)
- Brian Spreckley, vice-president (BS)
- Mandy Temple, vice-president (MT)
- Patrick Pauwels, treasurer (PP)
- Vladimir Foltin, secretary (VF)

### Agenda

#### 1. Welcome

The President welcomed the members of the Bureau.

#### 2. Bureau Action List

The Bureau discussed and reviewed the list.

#### 3. Finance

##### a. Current Status

PP provided the usual financial overview of the IGC finances as of 31 July 2025, including a year-end estimate, in a report shared prior to the meeting. The 2026 budget has already been sent to the FAI. It was prepared in accordance with the decisions made at the last Plenary meeting. All IGC Ranking List invoicing is now done via the FAI's AMS system. High bank transaction fees are still a problem; PP has requested that this issue be addressed.  
**Action:** PE will raise the issue of high bank transfer fees at the next ASC presidents' meeting.

#### 4. CMC report

MT referred to the written report provided prior to the meeting, which covered several topics recently dealt with by the committee. These topics included the modest fee increase request for the WGC 2026 in Poland (deferred to the 2026 IGC Plenary Meeting with the Bureau's recommendation), GPS jamming (future organisers will be provided with guidelines), the clarification of the use of secondary log files, the standardisation of NAC entry forms, document updates, and the need for information regarding the charging of electric gliders (and EVs) in Championship bids. The committee is also working on guidelines for handling changes to airspace files during championships and integrating existing safety initiatives.

The bureau members had no comments on the report.

#### 5. Approval of new IGC Steward



**Decision:** The Bureau approved the nomination by Sweden of Mr Börje Eriksson as an IGC steward, pending completion of the necessary induction and training.

**Action:** FK will contact the new steward candidate to coordinate the next steps.

6. IGC Champion Pilot of the Year

**Decision:** The Bureau validated the results of the IGC Champion Pilot of the Year 2025 award calculation.

The Bureau expressed appreciation to Gisela Weinreich for her work in calculating the results in a timely manner. The awards ceremony will take place during the IGC Plenary Meeting in 2026, as usual.

**Action:** The PP will inform the winning IGC Champion Pilot of the Year 2025 of the result.

**Action:** PE and BS will coordinate external communication about IGC Champion Pilot of the Year 2025 with the FAI, including arranging an interview with the pilot.

7. Review of Sporting Code and related documents – planning

There was no discussion. However, it was concluded that this would be one of the key topics discussed at the upcoming Bureau's face-to-face meeting.

8. Sailplane Grand Prix update (BS)

BS reported verbally that the recent final was a safe and successful event, and that the new World Champion could be awarded. The limited local resources were successfully compensated for by the core management team, who worked tirelessly to ensure the event's success. The streaming and commentary went extremely well. This was the first time the event had been retransmitted in China. This was an initiative of the Virtual Gliding Team in cooperation with a dedicated local team. The streaming and commentary were coupled with a regular educational campaign about the gliding sport (see this [link](#) for a dedicated news item).

9. The FAI Membership Scheme (PE/PP)

PE and PP provided an update on the ongoing discussions within the working group. They are exploring traditional (via NACs only) and hybrid (via NACs or ASCs) membership options. The next update will be provided during the Bureau's face-to-face meeting.

10. Date and time for next Bureau meeting (PE/SG)

The next Bureau meeting will take place from 9:00 on Saturday 11th October until 14:00 on Sunday 12th October at Le Bourget Airport in Paris, France.

**Action:** SG to coordinate the logistics for the Bureau face-to-face meeting in Paris (room, equipment and accommodation).

**Action:** Before the draft agenda is finalised, bureau members should propose topics for a dedicated discussion at the meeting and send them to PE as input.

11. AOB

Referring to the recent protests at the IGC Championships, RS suggested that, although such cases are rare, the IGC would benefit from a written record so that it could learn from them. This idea was supported and deemed worthy of further exploration.



**Action:** MT will contact the jury presidents acting in 2025 to share reports about the protests they dealt with.

**Action:** PE will discuss with CASI how to standardise the preservation of information about protests.

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