

TA Officer's report

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In 2025, only one joint championships took place – the 16th FAI World Advanced Aerobatic Championships and the 4th FAI World Intermediate Aerobatic Championships, the venue being Sármellék Airport, Hungary. The contest took place from 12 – 20 September 2025. The overall number of officials participating in the Championships was 20 – 3 members of International Jury, 3 members of Chief Judge team, and 14 officials comprising 7 judging teams.

16 officials travelled within Europe (TA in the amount of 300 CHF each), 2 officials travelled from South Africa (TA in the amount of 950 CHF each) and 2 officials travelled from North America (1,200 CHF each). The cost for TA totalled 9,100 CHF.

In terms of TA within Europe the information available and provided by the officials indicated that in 8 cases the TA did not cover the entire travel costs. In terms of TA from RSA to Europe, the TA covered the costs. In terms of TA from North America to Europe, the TA covered the costs completely in one case.

Deadline for submitting the claims to the TA officer had to be extended twice, with 4 officials sending the claims after the second reminder. In several cases the officials sent the claim file in unsuitable form and had to be asked to send it in correct form. In one case the official asked for complete assistance with filing out the form – he provided the information and subsequently checked and approved the correctness of the information in the claim form.

By 8 October 2025, all claims have been forwarded to the FAI Finance Department for processing and bank transfer.

The cooperation with Paola from the FAI Finance Department was smooth, however no feedback about receiving or processing the claims was provided from her. Nevertheless, when some additional information was required, she contacted me with the respective request.

From my point of view, the TA system as it is now, works well, however following the instructions by the officials could be better to make the entire process smoother. Regarding the amount of TA, apparently not all officials are satisfied with the amounts, especially the EUR-EUR amounts vary a lot. With RSA-EUR, NA-EUR the amounts were satisfactory.

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