

## Report to the CIA on the 2016 meeting of CIMP

This meeting of the Medical Commission of the FAI (CIMP) was held in the FAI MSI building, Lausanne, Switzerland through the week-end 03-05 June. It was attended by 13 delegates.

The subjects addressed at the meeting were:-

- A. Developments in medicine: Improvements in medicine mean that pilots previously excluded, can now fly.
- B. Flight safety: There had been a fatality to a micro-light aircraft in Dubai, caused by pilot miss-handling but raising many subsequent issues. Some years ago, CASI in conjunction with CIMP had written a comprehensive FAI casualty procedure but this was unknown to the organisers of the WAG! Since then a 'one page' summary check list has been distributed to all organisers
- C. WADA and anti-doping: There is no obvious pharmaceutical aid to piloting so doping is incidental. Testing catches up with cheating so the retesting of old samples exposes past offences. Problems have arisen with energy drinks and food supplements containing undisclosed ingredients.
- D. Regulatory issues. There was extensive discussion which accepted that the medical profession had lost credibility among pilots because excess and expensive requirements are enforced to control what is a very minor cause of accidents; but that there was a concern that the proposals, both in the USA and the UK (driving licence medical standard only) might go too far. Enthusiasm was expressed with the intention of the UK CAA to influence EASA in the wisdom of their ideas but the general consensus was that a Europe wide change would not be accepted. However EASA might be convinced to agree change in a single nation for use in that nation alone as a trial provided that good records of related accidents and incidents are maintained. Subsequent general change could then be proposed on the basis of evidence.