European Draughts Confederation



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Executive Board Meeting n. 2 - 2020 of the Executive Board elected on 03.08.2019

Google Meet, July 25th 2020.

At 9.00, with the presence of *Carlo A. Bordini* (EDC President – ITA), *Johan Demasure* (Vice President Vicary-BEL), *Uladzislau Splendzer* (BLR), *Tarmo Tulva* (EST), and (which a little later they joined also) *Jan Zioltkowski* (GER), and *Ingrida Drukteynite* (Vice President - LIT), elected as members of EDC Board, and the absence of *Milena Szatkowska* (General Secretary) who has informed about her reasons, checked the legal number, the EDC Executive Board started working with the following

Agenda:

- 1. European Online Youth Cup
- 2. European Championships Veterans 2021
- 3. Composers activities
- 4. European Championships (adults) 2020 in Turkey
- 5. EDC new Statutes

After a welcome speech of the President, with a special focus concerning the new EDC Statutes and Covid-19 Virus spread situation in Europe the EB treated the **point 1 - European Online Youth Cup**. The President Carlo Bordini underlines the great work done by Estonian Draughts Federation and the excellent idea of Tarmo Tulva, with the help of Johan Demasure, to organize the 1st European Online Youth Cup (EYO Cup) where there are registered 660 youths in representation of 13 Countries. Tarmo Tulva put in evidence that there will be a blitz test on the 25th July evening in the www.vint.ee environment. After having remembered that the EYO Cup it is not a Championship due to the risk of cheating, the Board agree that the EYO Cup it is surely a great opportunity also for the future, repeatable, to allow participation for guys which have no possibility to travel and take part to the European Championship.

The EB then passed to the **point 2 - European Championships Veterans 2021** and Jan Zioltkowski, EDC Tournament Director of Veteran, has talked about it confirming that Israel will not be able to hold it. The EDC will consider any candidates to organize it in 2021, postponed the deadline or the requests of organization that must be sent within 30th September, at the condition already defined during the EB Meeting on 28th September 2019. The President EDC will send a recall letter to all the Federations.

Then **point 3 - Composers activities**, was discussed by Uladzislau Splendzer, responsible of the section. He exposed the composition of EDC Commission of Draughts Problemist, already created during meeting on 28th September. The nominated members by EDC for the Problemist commission (CPI EDC) are: Vitaly Varushyla (Belarus, head of comission), Algimantas Kačiuška (Lithuania), Mikhail Lewandovsky (Ukraine), Rustam Shayakhmetov (Russia, as secretary) and Gerard Thimens (Netherlands). According to the proposal of the CPI EDC the following competitions will be organized and included into EDC competitions calendar: European Cup in Draughts Composition (years 2020-2022), Memorial of Nikolai Grushevsky (organized by Belarusian Draughts Federation, years 2020-2021); International competition Lietuva Lithuania-2021 (organized by LIETUVOS ŠAŠKIŲ KOMPOZICIJOS MĖGĖJŲ SĄJUNGA, years 2021-2022) and other competitions will be added later.

The Executive Board, then, talked about the **point 4 - European Championships (adults) 2020 in Turkey**. Unfortunately, the Covid19 spread is very still high in Europe, there are different Countries with significant level of infection, and others with many new clusters, but above all there are lots of problem about travelling (many

Countries don't allow to travel abroad) and risk of quarantine (in enter, or backing home). In this situation, for many Federations will not be possible to take part in this competition, and other ones will have serious difficulty to do visa and pass national boundaries. The EDC Board considers crucial that all the Federations can have the possibility of participation and that each one can be safety. Furthermore, even if EC would be useful as qualification for the World Championship 2021 it is highly possible that European Championship cannot be held in October 2020 will be probably postponed to the next year. The final decision will be taken within the end of August, so it is preferable for every federation to do not but any ticket for the moment. The President EDC will write to the Turkey organizers to inform of situation and to the FMJD Tournament Director to share thoughts and possibilities about World Championship 2021 (confirmed in March?) and possible European Selection (for instance in January or February, if necessary).

Then **point 5 - EDC new Statutes**, was discussed. The President Bordini introduced the work he has done on the draft on the new Statute sent the on 24th July to the Board. The review started from the current EDC Statute, and considered the European laws requirements (to register the new Statute by a notary), some part of the FMJD statute and other similar European statutes. The most important elements are already present in the current statute, so the main differences is holding the General Assembly every two years, instead of one to save resources and allocate them to the activities. Another modification is establishing differences between European Draughts Confederation "Ordinary Members" (those that are active members) and "Associated Members" (those that do not carry out activities) with the aim to associate further ones.

In the coming two months, the Board will review the details of the draft, and then it will be sent to National Federations, which will have two months to send suggestions and proposals for changes. Then the Board will define the final version and propose it to the next EDC GA, which will be held probably just after or before the next FMJD General assembly, allowing savings for everyone.

The EB set a new EDC Meeting on August 22nd.

At the 10.55, since there was nothing else to discuss, the EB Meeting ended.

The President of the EDC Board Carlo A. Bordini

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