



# European Draughts Confederation

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## Executive Board Meeting n. 1 - 2021 of the Executive Board elected on 03.08.2019

Google Meet, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

At 18.00, with the presence of *Carlo A. Bordini* (EDC President – ITA), *Johan Demasure* (Vice President Vicary- BEL), *Ingrida Drukteynite* (Vice President - LIT), *Tarmo Tulva* (EST), *Jan Zioltkowki* (GER), *Uladzislau Splendzer* (BLR), elected as members of EDC Board, and *Milena Szatkowska* (General Secretary) and *Rik Keurentjes* (Trainer member of EDC Athletes and Trainer Committee), checked the legal number, the EDC Executive Board started working with the following

### Agenda:

1. Opening speech by the President
2. Championships (adults) 2020 and selection tournament for World Championships 2021
3. European Championships 2021 (Youth, Teams, Veterans)
4. Online Section EDC
5. Other various and possible evaluations

In the opening speech, the EDC President thanked the participants and summarized about the FMJD Executive Board on 12<sup>th</sup> January at which he took part. Carlo Bordini said that Due the World Championship in Tallinn has been postponed to summertime and planned from the 28<sup>th</sup> of June till 15<sup>th</sup> of July 2021, with FMJD General Assembly on 3<sup>rd</sup> of July. He exposed the willingness of EDC, if the situation is favourable, to organize the European qualification tournaments in May, according to the results of which the players will be promoted to the World Championship. Otherwise, to take players from a EDC list, which has been already prepared, based on FMJD rating and not more than two players per Country, furthermore who is already qualified. The former FMJD Tournament Director, Jacek Pawlicki, in that meeting explained that in his opinion it should have to be used the Global Reserve List to distribute the corresponding places of the World Championship.

Then the EB started discussing about point **2. Championships (adults) 2020 and selection tournament for World Championships 2021** and Tarmo Tulva add his comments about dates and possible settlements, remembering the problem of travelling extra UE also for Sport and pointing up that nobody is able to say what will happen in June. Johan Demasure presented the EDC Reserve list for men and women, underlining that the European places of WC are a task of EDC. The EB thanked Johan Demasure for the great work done.

Other comments came out from the member of the EDC Board and also Rik Keurentjes, about possible organizers, Covid protections, and so on, with the evidence that due to the Covid spread it's impossible to decide now. The President Carlo Bordini summarized the conversation and proposed the following steps: publish the EDC Reserve Lists to use just in case of none Selection Tournament for WC 2021, establishing also that if EDC will receive a proposal to organize the European Selection for WC 2021, and the selection may be really held, the organizer Federation will have one "wild card" for a national player, furthermore than the players already qualified and the ones that will be qualified by the European selection.

The proposals to organize have to be send within the 25<sup>th</sup> February to EDC and must respect these conditions: inscription fee not more than 100 € (with 20% to EDC), hotel paid from the players themselves with a reasonable cost, good playing room, Main Referee travel and hosting paid by the organizer, 9 days, period on May (preferable first half). The Selection will be played respecting the EDC anti-covid protocol (already published) with mask, visors, and opportune distance between tables. Other specific details, e.g. the number of rounds, will be indicated in the official announcement that will be written by Johan Demasure with the help of Rik Keurentjes.

The EB then discussed **point 3 - European Championships 2021 (Youth, Teams, Veterans)**. The EDC Vice President and TD Youth, Johan Demasure, reported that the Turkish Federations retired its proposal to organize EC Youth, due to the conditions of allotment, and then the assignment goes to Belarus proposal. The EB asked to Johan Demasure to define the official agreement by the next EDC Board Meeting.

About the EC Teams the President Carlo Bordini announced the FID intention to organize that in Italy, in Tuscany, (as in 2019), presumably from 5<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> October.

Currently no proposal and perspective about EC Veteran, also considering that veterans are the category most affected by Covid and will be necessary to follow the vaccination's trend.

It's evident that all the championships will be organized if there will be the conditions about covid-19 and travelling situation. If there will be no possibilities to hold the EC Youth will be repeated the experience of online European Youth tournaments played in 2020.

Then the **point 4 - Other various and possible evaluations** was discussed, about the possibility of creating an EDC online section similar to the FMJD structure, suggested by Uladzislau Splendzer, who talked about the disposability of Ivan Antonenko (Ukraine) that already helps Kandarurov in the FMJD online section.

The EDC Board has then decided to create an EDC Online Section Commission, headed by Ivan Antonenko with both Tarmo (who has organized wonderfully the ECup Youth online 2020) and Uladzislau Splendzer, very active in the online field as well.

The EB had already set a new EDC Meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 18.00 (Italian Time).

At the 19.30, since there was nothing else to discuss, the President thanked the participants for their time, and closed the EB Meeting.

The President of the EDC Board

Carlo A. Bordini

