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1. OPENING OF THE SESSION

The ICF President, Mr. Ulrich Feldhoff, opened the XXXI ICF Ordinary Congress 2007 and welcomed all Delegates, ICF Board of Directors Members and guests to the city of Hong Kong.

The President made a special welcome to the Secretary of Home Affairs of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Mr. Patrick Ho Chi Ping and the President of the Hong Kong NOC and IOC member the Honorable Dr. Timothy Fok.

The President expressed gratitude to Mr. Anthony Chan and the Hong Kong Canoe Union for their outstanding preparation of the congress.

Mr. Patrick Ho Chi Ping and Dr. Timothy Fok addressed the Congress, respectively, and expressed their pleasure at welcoming the XXXI. ICF Ordinary Congress to Hong Kong and wished the Delegates a successful and productive two days.

The President called for a 10 minute break to allow the Verification Commission to establish the roll call and to allow Mr. Patrick Ho Chi Ping and Dr. Timothy Fok to exit the Congress.

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The President officially opened the session and commemorated the friends of canoeing who passed away during the last two years, he especially mentioned the three athletes and one coach from the Russian Federation who passed away in a terrible car accident on the way to training Ms. Anastasija Dubinina, Ms. Anna Tatarinzewa, Ms. Tatjana Filatowa and Mr. Andrej Romm.

Proposal

The President recommended that agenda items 2 and 3 be swapped so as to allow the roll-call of delegates and establishment of the quorum to occur prior to the awards which required a vote.

➤ *Resolution 01/2007*

The agenda was modified to make "Roll-call of delegates and establishing of the quorum" point 2 and "Awards" point 3 and was approved.

1. Opening of the session
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3. Awards
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 - b. Vice-Presidents
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19. Establishment of the Budget for the next two years (2006-2008)
20. Presentation by Slalom Course Designers
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22. Establishing time and place for the XXXII. ICF Congress
23. Miscellaneous
24. Closing of the Congress

2. ROLL-CALL OF DELEGATES AND ESTABLISHING OF THE QUORUM

The President stated that a quorum had been achieved in accordance with the Statutes. The Verification Commission, consisting of Mr. Antoine Goetschy, Ms. Halina Pikula and Mr. Victor Ruiz, confirmed that there were eighty-three (83) full member National Federations represented in the Congress Hall and two (2) more whose application as full members would be submitted to the Congress for vote.

The President brought an issue of eligibility to the Congress' attention: Venezuela's Canoe Federation Congress Registration arrived 3 days after the deadline.

Proposal

The President proposed that the Congress approve Venezuela's late registration to be eligible to vote during the Congress.

➤ *Resolution 02/2007*

Venezuela's late registration and subsequent eligibility to vote during the Congress was accepted.

The Simple Majority was confirmed as being 42 votes.

3. AWARDS

Proposal

The President proposed that Mr. Wu Wen-Ta be recognised as an ICF Honorary Member by an open vote.

➤ *Resolution 03/2007*

Congress approved that Mr. Wu Wen Ta be recognized as an ICF Honorary Member.

The President presented Mr. Wu Wen Ta with an award and diploma recognising him as an ICF Honorary Member.

The President presented Mr. Olexandr Shaparenko (UKR) with the ICF Medal. The President summarised Mr. Olexandr Shaparenko's results history including winning gold and silver at the Mexico Olympics in 1968 and gold in the Munich Olympics in 1972, winning an overall 6 gold medals in K1 and K2 during his career.

Mr. Olexandr Shaparenko expressed his gratitude to the ICF President, the ICF Secretary General and to all the judges, sportsmen and coaches working in the sport of canoeing.

4. APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINISERS FOR THE PERIOD OF THE CONGRESS

Proposal

The President presented the proposals for Scrutinisers:

- Mr. Jens Kahl (GER)
- Mr. Paul Owen (GBR)
- Mr. Richard Fox (AUS)
- Ms. Elly Muller (NED)
- Mr. Li Hong Man (HKG)

➤ *Resolution 04/2007*

The scrutinisers were accepted unanimously.

5. REPORTS

a) **President**

Delegates were instructed to refer to the President's report provided in the Congress Delegate Kit and were asked for questions or comments. No comments were received.

b) **Vice Presidents**

Delegates were instructed to refer to the Vice Presidents' reports provided in the Congress Delegate Kit and were asked for questions or comments. No comments were received.

c) **Continental Association Representatives**

Delegates were instructed to refer to the Continental Association Representatives' reports provided in the Congress Delegate Kit and were asked for questions or comments. No comments were received.

d) **Chairs of the Standing Committees**

Delegates were instructed to refer to the Committee Chairs' reports provided in the Congress Delegate Kit:

- Chair of the Flatwater Racing Committee (Mr. Istvan Vaskuti)
- Chair of the Slalom Racing Committee (Mr. Jean-Michel Prono)
- Chair of the Wildwater Racing Committee (Mr. Jens Perlwitz)
- Chair of the Marathon Racing Committee (Mr. Jorn Cronberg)
- Chair of the Canoe Polo Committee (Mr. Fritz Jager)
- Chair of the Canoe Sailing Committee (Mr. Ben Fuller)
- Chair of the Dragon Boat Racing Committee (Mr. François Ryffel)

Mr. François Ryffel confirmed that the ICF have the official status as the International Federation for Dragon Boat Racing regardless of any media reports or emails from other sources that may be misleading.

- Medical & Anti-Doping Committee (Dr. Don McKenzie)

Dr. Don McKenzie made a comment further to his written report that the majority of the Medical & Anti-Doping Committee's time was spent dealing with



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Anti-Doping matters such as the processing of Therapeutic Use Exemption applications, but that with improved efficiency of the ICF Anti-Doping program the Committee's aim was to focus more attention on the medical and scientific areas of the sport.

- Athletes' Commission (Ms. Belen Sanchez) Ms. Belen Sanchez advised the Congress that surveys were distributed and requested that all National Federations complete and return them to her following the Congress.

No comments or questions were raised by Delegates.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL MATTERS AND APPROVAL

The Treasurer Mr. Francesco Conforti provided his report on the ICF expenses from the period of 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2006. He explained that the report of "ICF Actual Expenses 2004-2006" provided in the Delegate Kit contained some errors and an amended report was distributed to the Congress Delegates.

The questions raised by Slovenian Canoe Federation (SLO) and US Canoe Federation (USA) were answered comprehensively by the Treasurer and the President.

Proposal

The President proposed that the Congress hold a vote on the Treasurer's report on financial matters.

> Resolution 05/2007

The Treasurer's report was approved.

7. AUDITOR'S REPORT AND APPROVAL

The Auditor, Mr. Walter Aumayr, congratulated the President for the good management of the finances.

The Auditor described the audits that took place in Spain, Florence, Mezzana, Madrid and Lausanne over a period of 3-5 months as well as the audit in his own office in Austria.

The Auditor confirmed that the books of the ICF were kept correctly, albeit not according to his expectations, and recommended that the Treasurer be exonerated. He recommended that, based on the current situation and the size of the budget, a reorganisation of the finance reporting on a professional basis should occur, retroactively from 1 July 2006.

Proposal

The Auditor proposed that the Congress exonerate the Treasurer. The President gave a statement on behalf of the ICF Board of Directors pertaining to the Auditor's report. The ICF Board of Directors agreed that the bookkeeping will be established retrospectively from 1 July 2006 by a professional company with Headquarters in Lausanne.

> Resolution 06/2007

The financial report of the Auditor was approved.

The President thanked the Auditor for his work over the previous two years.

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8. DISCUSSIONS AND RESOLUTION ON THE PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY NATIONAL FEDERATIONS, THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THE ICF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The President invited the ICF Secretary General, Mr. Antoine Goetschy, to present the ICF Strategic Planning Process.

a) Presentation of the ICF Strategic Planning Process (ISPP)

The ICF Secretary General explained that the principles of the ISPP were approved by the ICF Board of Directors in March 2006 and that the Executive Committee will be the leaders of the project. He stated that the ICF must adapt to the rapid changes in canoeing by taking a long term strategy and vision, a point also supported by the IOC. He explained that the basis of the plan is the preservation of the Olympic Disciplines in the Canoe/Kayak Programme of the Olympic Games in order to benefit all canoeing disciplines.

The ICF Secretary General then presented the ISPP according to the written report provided to Delegates in the Congress Delegate Kit and concluded by saying that it was important to develop a future for the ICF together.

After constructive discussion which found a plenary approval of the National Federations, the President thanked all those involved in the preparation of the ISPP and requested National Federations and Continental Federations to be proactively involved.

Rollcall of delegates and establishing of the quorum

The ICF Secretary General, Mr. Antoine Goetschy, made the roll call.

Represented were: 85 Federations
Simple majority: 43 votes
2/3 majority: 57 votes

Mr. Albert Woods, the Chair of the Statutes Commission, was asked to take the chair for this item of the agenda. He explained to the Congress how the voting would be arranged: some parts would be put through for voting in a block rather than individually. He confirmed that the Statutes changes required a 2/3 majority of 57 votes to be approved and that the General Rules required only a simple majority of 43 votes to be approved.



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b) Proposals concerning ICF Statutes by topics

Proposals for Articles 9.2, 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 12.1 and 12.2 – Membership Fee

The German Canoe Federation (GER) expressed their concerns with the membership fee proposals. They believed membership fee has a strong link with Article 23. They were strongly in favour of creating three levels of membership fee, but believe the number of votes must match the level of payment. They suggested that the Congress could not vote for change in the membership fees on one side without changing Article 23 that relates to Proxy votes.

The British Canoe Federation (GBR) and the US Canoe Federation (USA) supported Germany's comment. After the discussion between National Federations Mr. Albert Woods explained that a Federation must propose an amendment to the principle to be able to proceed and questioned German Canoe Federation (GER) and British Canoe Federation (GBR) if they were requesting an amendment to have one vote for part payment. He also stated that during Congress only motions on the agenda can be discussed. He suggested that he could take an amendment linking the three (3) levels of membership fee to some voting system, as he understood this is what British Canoe Federation (GBR) and German Canoe Federation (GER) were wanting. He suggested first to vote on this to understand the feeling in the room. This proposal was accepted. After vote held: overwhelming majority was against the above motion. The previous motion was accepted.

Proposals for Articles 16.2, 22 and 23.2 – Congress Proxy Votes

The Norwegian Canoe Federation (NOR) explained that their proposals should be seen as a package and that there were three arguments behind their proposals. Firstly, if a National Federation wants to be part of the sport, they should be sitting in the congress to vote. They explained that their proposal was inline with democratic regulations of other Federations who do not use proxy.

Mr. Albert Woods opened the discussion on Norwegian Canoe Federation's (NOR) proposal.

The US Canoe Federation (USA) thought that the earlier discussion was relevant at this point. They suggested that voting should be tied to a National federation's participation in world championships. USA asked if NOR would accept this amendment to their proposal.

The Norwegian Canoe Federation (NOR) would not accept the amendment.

- *Resolution 07/2007*
The proposals 16.2, 22 and 23.3 were rejected.

- *Resolution 08/2007*
The proposals for 9.2, 11.1, 11.2, 11.4, 12.1 were accepted.

The ICF Secretary General confirmed that the ICF Board of Directors will use a recognised development indicator which would include many measures. He explained that the ICF Board of Directors would adapt the indicator to the canoeing situation.

Proposal for Article 20.7 – Congress Bidding

- *Resolution 09/2007*
The proposal was accepted.

Proposal for Article 21.4 – Congress

- *Resolution 10/2007*
The proposal was accepted.

Proposal for Article 29d) – ICF Board of Directors Duties

The Canadian Canoe Federation (CAN) requested a present day example be provided to explain the proposal.

Mr. Albert Woods used Canoe Sailing as an example which has only 6-7 Federations participating in it, therefore the Chair of the Canoe Sailing would not be on the ICF Board of Directors.

- *Resolution 11/2007*
The proposal was accepted.

Proposal for Article 29j) – ICF Board of Directors duties

- *Resolution 12/2007*
The proposal was accepted.

Proposal for Article 32.1 – Standing Committees composition

- *Resolution 13/2007*
The proposal was accepted.

Proposal for Article 32.3 – Standing Committees Composition

- *Resolution 14/2007*
The proposal was accepted.

Proposal from the ICF Board of Directors for Article 32.2 – Standing Committees – Athletes Commission

- *Resolution 15/2007*
The proposal was accepted.

Proposals from the ICF Board of Directors for Articles 2.1 and 2.2 – Gender Equity

The Canadian Canoe Federation (CAN) requested that their general proposal about gender equity be discussed at this stage because it was not included in the preparation documents.

Mr. Albert Woods explained that it was not included in the preparation documents because it was not a rule change and he suggested that it was related to



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the Working Programme and offered to include it in the Working Programme.

Mr. Ulrich Feldhoff proposed that only the first part of the proposal is submitted to vote.
CAN accepted both proposals.

➤ *Resolution 16/2007*
The proposal was accepted.

➤ *Resolution 17/2007*
The proposals for Articles 2.1 and 2.2 were accepted.

Proposal from the ICF Board of Directors for Article 6 – ICF Awards

➤ *Resolution 18/2007*
The proposal was accepted.

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c) Proposals concerning ICF Competition and General Rules by discipline

Rollcall of delegates and establishing of the quorum

The ICF Secretary General, Mr. Antoine Goetschy, made the roll call.

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| Represented were: | 86 Federations |
| Simple majority: | 44 votes |
| 2/3 majority: | 57 votes |

FLATWATER RACING GENERAL RULES

Proposal from the Flatwater Racing Committee for Article 5

The Canadian Canoe Federation (CAN) asked for clarification, saying the English in the proposal was poor.

Mr. Albert Woods suggested that the previous wording was clearer.

➤ *The Proposal was withdrawn.*

Proposals from the Flatwater Racing Committee for Articles 21.4, 29.6, 33.3, 33.4, 46, 48.1, 49, 51.5, 51.6, 53, 54, 66, 67, and Chapters IV and V

➤ *Resolution 19/2007*
The proposals were accepted.

Proposals from Armenia and Serbia for new rule and for change to Article 33.2 for Flatwater Racing

➤ *Resolution 20/2007*
The proposals were rejected.

SLALOM RACING GENERAL RULES

Proposal from the Slovenian Canoe Federation (SLO) for Article 2.4 and 42.4.

➤ *The proposals were withdrawn.*

Proposals from the Slalom Racing Committee for Articles 2.3.1, 6.1.1, 6.2, 11.1, 36.4, 37.2, 37.2.1, 37.2.2, 39.3, 39.3.1, 39.5, 41.6.2.1, 41.6.2.2, 41.10.1 and 42.7

➤ *Resolution 21/2007*
The proposals were accepted.

Proposal from Slovenian Canoe Federation (SLO) for Article 44.1.2

➤ *Resolution 22/2007*
The proposal was rejected.

WILDWATER RACING RULES

Proposals from the Wildwater Racing Committee for Articles 6.2, 6.2.2, 6.3, 6.3.1, 6.3.2, 36.14.2, 36.3.2, 37.2.1 and 37.4.2

➤ *Resolution 23/2007*
The proposals were accepted.

MARATHON RACING

Proposals from HUN for Articles 35 and 45

➤ *Resolution 24/2007*
The proposals were rejected.

CANOE POLO

Proposal from the Canoe Polo Committee for Articles 17.1, 17.2, 50, 51 and IV.4.5

➤ *Resolution 25/2007*
The proposals were accepted.

DRAGON BOAT RACING

Proposals from the Dragon Boat Racing Committee for Articles 2.4, 5, 37 and 39.5

➤ *Resolution 26/2007*
The proposals were rejected.

d) Proposals concerning ICF Competition General Rules by topic

GENDER EQUITY

Proposal from the Canadian Canoe Federation (CAN) for FWR Art 34.1

The Proposal was withdrawn.

Proposal from the Canadian Canoe Federation (CAN) for FWR Article 6.1 and from the Marathon Committee for MAR Article 4.

➤ *Resolution 27/2007*
The proposals were accepted.



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Proposals the Slalom Racing Committee for SLR Articles 6 and 6.1 and from the Wildwater Racing Committee for WWR Articles 6.1 and 6.2

➤ *Resolution 28/2007*

The proposals were accepted.

ATHLETES' HEALTH

Proposal for new Article for Athletes' Health to be implemented as a General Rule in all ICF Competition Rules where appropriate

➤ *Resolution 29/2007*

The proposal was accepted.

OFFICIALS

Proposal for Officials change of wording to be included in all disciplines – procedure for becoming an ICF Official

➤ *Resolution 30/2007*

The proposal was accepted.

CALENDAR

Proposal for change of existing wording to be implemented as General Rule in all ICF Competition Rules where appropriate – International Competition Calendar

➤ *Resolution 31/2007*

The proposal was accepted, subject to correction of the English by Ms. Helen Brownlee.

ENTRIES

Proposal for change of existing wording for to be implemented in all ICF Competition Rules instead of WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS ENTRIES section – Entries

➤ *Resolution 32/2007*

The proposal was accepted.

Proposal from the Slovenian Canoe Federation (SLO) for SLR Articles 41.14.5.1 change of wording

➤ *Resolution 33/2007*

The proposal was rejected.

Proposals for ICF Competition Rules regarding Entries and Nations Cup for MAR, DBR, FWR and WWR

➤ *Resolution 34/2007*

The proposals were accepted.

e) Proposals concerning Freestyle and Ocean Racing Competition Rules

The ICF Secretary General advised Delegates that the rules were distributed within the Delegate Kit and that the Freestyle Competition Rules were prepared by Mr. Lluís Rabaneda i Caselles and the Ocean Racing Competition Rules were prepared by Mr. Tim Cornish.

Mr. Lluís Rabaneda i Caselles explained that the rules from 1997 were used in the development of the new rules and that the Committee will work hard during the coming two years to put them in the same format as the other disciplines.

Mr. Tim Cornish explained to the Congress that the creation of Ocean Racing Rules was difficult due to the different types of Ocean Racing. French rules for Sea Kayaking and the Portuguese rules for Sea Kayaking were used along with some existing rules standardised into the ICF format. The rules will be evaluated over the next two years to present a final version at the next congress.

Proposal submitted by the ICF Board of Directors that "The Freestyle and Ocean Racing Competition Rules are temporary rules. This means that they are provisional and subject to amendment during the next two years by each ICF related standing committee and that each committee (or working group for Ocean Racing) will test these rules during the next two years. The ICF Board of Directors will present a final text for formal and final approval to the IF Congress 2008 edition."

➤ *Resolution 35/2007*

The proposal was accepted.

The President thanked Mr. Albert Woods for chairing this item of the agenda related to ICF Statutes and Competition Rules changes.

9. REPORTS ON MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

a) Decision on affiliation of the respective National Federations

Proposal

The President proposed the following provisional members be accepted as full ICF members: Afghanistan Canoe Federation (AFG), Liberia Rowing and Canoeing Federation (LBR), Federación Nicaragüense de Canotaje (NCA), Papua New Guinea Canoeing Association Inc. (PNG) and Qatar Sailing and Rowing Federation (QAT).

➤ *Resolution 36/2007*

The National Federations of Afghanistan Canoe Federation (AFG), Liberia Rowing and Canoeing Federation (LBR), Federación Nicaragüense de Canotaje (NCA), Papua New Guinea Canoeing Association Inc. (PNG) and Qatar Sailing and Rowing Federation (QAT) were unanimously accepted as a full members.

The President welcomed five Federations as full members and advised the Congress that the ICF now has 140 members.

b) New name of the Serbian Federation

The President advised the Congress that the Serbian and Montenegro Canoe Federation (SRB)



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had changed its name to the Serbian Canoe Federation (SRB) following the separation of Montenegro. He advised that once Montenegro founded an NOC which is recognised by the IOC, they would be eligible to become an ICF member.

Proposal

It was proposed that the Congress officially accept the name change of the Serbian Canoe Federation (SRB).

➤ *Resolution 37/2007*

The name Serbian Canoe Federation was unanimously accepted.

- c) **Decision on affiliation of the respective National Federations if the necessary documents are received on time by the ICF HQ**

Proposal

The President proposed that the Congress accept Azerbaijan National Rowing Federation (AZE) as a full member of the ICF.

➤ *Resolution 38/2007*

The Azerbaijan National Rowing Federation (AZE) was unanimously accepted as a full member.

The President welcomed Azerbaijan as a full member of the ICF and advised that the ICF now consists of 141 member countries.

Proxy voting kits were distributed to the representatives of Nicaragua (NCA) and Papua New Guinea (PNG).

The President advised the quorum had become:

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| Represented were: | 88 Federations |
| Simple majority: | 48 votes |
| 2/3 majority: | 59 votes |

10. REPORT ON PREPARATION OF MAJOR EVENTS

- a) **Games of the XXIX Olympiad Beijing 2008**

Presentation by Ms. Luo Bing, Canoe/Kayak Competition Manager, BOCOG

Ms. Luo Bing expressed her sincere thanks on behalf of the Beijing Organising Committee of the Olympic Games for the strong support received by the ICF and emphasised the successful cooperation between the ICF and BOCOG.

She advised that the construction and preparations for the Beijing Olympic Games are progressing well. Canoe / Kayak venues have been confirmed. Equipment procurement is underway, the basic competition schedules are determined.

The Opening and Closing Ceremonies will be held on the 8th and 24th of August, respectively. The

Slalom Racing Competition Schedule runs from the 11-13 August with afternoon competition times. The Flatwater Racing Competition Schedule runs from the 18-23 August with afternoon competition times. Canoe / Kayak events share the Shunyi Olympic Rowing and Canoeing Centre with Rowing and Marathon Swimming events. The venue is 36km and 30 minutes by bus from the Olympic Village.

The Slalom Test Event will be held from the 16-19 August, 2007, followed by the Flatwater Racing Test Event from the 23-26 August.

The President thanked Ms. Luo Bing for her report and highlighted that that Slalom Racing competition will benefit from being held in the first week of the Olympics Games.

Presentation by Mr. Istvan Vaskuti, Chair of the ICF Flatwater Racing Committee

Mr. Istvan Vaskuti introduced the Qualification System for Beijing for Flatwater Racing.

Presentation by Mr. Jean Michel Prono, Chair of the ICF Slalom Racing Committee

Mr. Jean-Michel Prono introduced the Qualification System for Beijing for Slalom and highlighted that the aims of the qualification system were to increase gender equity and to increase the number of NOC's in the Olympic Games.

The President questioned Ms. Luo Bing about the dates for Marathon Swimming during the Games.

Ms. Luo Bing advised that BOCOG had asked the IOC to inform the ICF about the Marathon Swimming competition, however this had not occurred. She explained that BOCOG was apologetic, but was not responsible for the decision. The Marathon competition will be held during the Flatwater Racing Competition. She confirmed that they had requested that this would only occur in the morning of the Flatwater heat days, but had not yet received confirmation of this.

The President requested more detail on how canoeing could provide the course in the morning if there are competitions in the afternoon, when it is required for canoeing athletes' warm-up. He asked if it were possible that Marathon swimming be held during the Slalom Racing competition.

Ms. Bing responded that the decision had already been made and suggested that the ICF President and the ICF Secretary General meet with the BOCOG Sports Director when visiting Beijing.

The President thanked the three presenters for their extensive reports and wished the Delegates a pleasant evening at the Delegates dinner hosted by the Hong Kong Canoe Union.

THE PRESIDENT CLOSED DAY ONE OF THE CONGRESS.



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THE PRESIDENT OPENED DAY TWO OF THE CONGRESS.

The President requested that Mr. Albert Woods take the floor to discuss a proposal by ESP regarding the World Cup System that was not discussed the previous day.

Mr. Istvan Vaskuti, FWR Chair, explained that the proposal was a good one for the future, but that due to the ICF Board of Directors' decision to not except major changes before the Olympic Games it was suggested that this proposal be submitted at the next Congress.

Spain accepted the explanation and withdrew the proposal until Congress 2008.

The President advised the Congress that there was a mandate given to the Committee Chairs to look at the entire world cup system for the 2008 Congress. He thanked ESP for their willingness to defer this important issue until the next Congress.

11. ELECTION OF THE VICE PRESIDENTS

The ICF Secretary General, Mr. Antoine Goetschy, made the roll call.

Represented were: 87 Federations
Simple majority: 44 votes
2/3 majority: 58 votes

Before the commencement of the Ballot the President expressed gratitude to those people who would be departing from positions. He presented a trophy to Mr. Frits Jager, Chair of the Canoe Polo Committee, as a token of the ICF's thanks for the good organization of the 2006 Canoe Polo World Championships in Amsterdam.

a) The Election of 1st Vice President (period: until 2010 Congress)

Candidates for the election of the ICF 1st Vice President were:

- Mr. Jose Perurena Lopez (ESP)
- Mr. Albert Woods (GBR)
- Mr. Richard Seruga (POL)

| Ballot | Name | Votes |
|--------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Yes | Mr. Jose PERURENA LOPEZ | 44 |
| | Mr. Albert WOODS | 22 |
| | Mr. Richard SERUGA | 21 |
| Invalid | | 1 |
| Abstentions | | 0 |
| Total | | 87 |

➤ *Resolution 39/2007*

Mr. Jose Perurena Lopez (ESP) was elected as 1st Vice President until the Congress 2010.

b) The Election of 3rd Vice President (period: until 2010 Congress)

The candidate for the election of the ICF 3rd Vice President was:

- Mr. Shoken NARITA (JPN)

| Ballot | Name | Votes |
|--------------|--------------------------|-----------|
| Yes | Mr. Shoken NARITA | 84 |
| Invalid | | 0 |
| Abstentions | | 3 |
| Total | | 87 |

➤ *Resolution 40/2007*

Mr. Shoken NARITA (JPN) was elected as 3rd Vice President until the Congress 2010.

The President congratulated the old and new Vice-Presidents and expressed his hope that the good co-operation will continue.

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12. ELECTION OF THE CHAIRS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

a) Wildwater Racing Committee (period: until 2008 Congress)

The candidate for the election was:

- Mr. Jens PERLWITZ (GER)

| Ballot | Name | Votes |
|--------------|--------------------------|-----------|
| Yes | Mr. Jens PERLWITZ | 80 |
| Invalid | | 3 |
| Abstentions | | 4 |
| Total | | 87 |

➤ *Resolution 41/2007*

Mr. Jens PERLWITZ was elected as Chair of the Wildwater Racing Committee until the Congress 2008.

b) Canoe Polo Committee (period: until 2010 Congress)

Candidates for the election were:

- Mr. Greg SMALE (GBR)
- Mr. Tom COLTON (IRL)

Mr. Tom Colton's candidacy was withdrawn.

| Ballot | Name | Votes |
|--------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Yes | Mr. Greg SMALE | 74 |
| Invalid | | 5 |
| Abstentions | | 6 |
| Total | | 85 |



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➤ *Resolution 42/2007*

Mr. Greg SMALE was elected as Chair of the Canoe Polo Committee until the Congress 2010.

c) Dragon Boat Racing Committee (period: until 2010 Congress)

The candidate for the election was:

- Mr. François RYFFEL (SUI)

| Ballot | Name | Votes |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Yes | Mr. François RYFFEL | 77 |
| Invalid | | 0 |
| Abstentions | | 7 |
| Total | | 84 |

➤ *Resolution 43/2007*

Mr. François RYFFEL was elected as Chair of the Dragon Boat Racing Committee until the Congress 2010.

d) Freestyle Committee (period: until 2010 Congress)

The candidate for the election was:

- Mr. Lluís RABANEDA i CASELLES (ESP)

| Ballot | Name | Votes |
|--------------|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Yes | Mr. Lluís RABANEDA i CASELLES | 83 |
| Invalid | | 0 |
| Abstentions | | 1 |
| Total | | 84 |

➤ *Resolution 44/2007*

Mr. Lluís RABANEDA i CASELLES was elected as Chair of the Freestyle Committee until the Congress 2010.

e) Medical & Anti-Doping Committee (period: until 2010 Congress)

Candidates for the election were:

- Dr. Donald McKENZIE (CAN)
- Dr. Jose RAMOS (POR)

| Ballot | Name | Votes |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Yes | Dr. Donald McKENZIE | 59 |
| Yes | Dr. Jose RAMOS | 23 |
| Invalid | | 2 |
| Abstentions | | 1 |
| Total | | 85 |

➤ *Resolution 45/2007*

Dr. Donald McKENZIE was elected as Chair of the Medical & Anti-Doping Committee until the Congress 2010.

The President congratulated each Chair in turn and they were called upon to say a few words to the Congress.

13. ELECTION OF THE AUDITOR OR SELECTION OF AN AUDITING COMPANY

The President explained the vote and called on the Auditor to give his viewpoint.

The Auditor, Mr. Walter Aumayr, explained to the Congress his dissatisfaction with the financial management of the ICF by the Treasurer. He believed that to use a professional auditing company rather than an internal auditor would be a mistake. He agreed that the bookkeeping should be done professionally.

He put forward that an accounting company should be used, an external auditing company for the auditing process and an internal auditor to audit the means of the organisation internally.

The President advised the Congress that the ICF Board of Directors unanimously recommend that the bookkeeping of the ICF be handed to a professional company based in Switzerland, which is not a deviation from the Statutes.

Proposal

It was proposed to commission an auditing company with the audit.

➤ *Resolution 46/2007*

The Congress decided to commission an auditing company to audit the financial documents. (83 Yes, 1 No).

14. PRESENTATION OF CONTINENTAL REPRESENTATIVES

The Continental Associations presented their representatives for the next period.

CAC: Tim CORNISH (RSA), President
Africa : Joao Manuel Da Costa Alegre (STP), 1st Vice President

COPAC: Charles YATMAN (USA), President of COPAC
America : Victor RUIZ (PUR)
Cecilia Farias (AHO), Secretary General

ACC: Qunying XIN (CHN), President
Asia Anthony CHAN (HKG),

ECA: Albert WOODS (GBR), President until March 2007
Europe Halina PIKULA (POL), Vice President
Branko LOVRIC (CRO), Secretary General
Elizabeth MÜLLER (NED),



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OCA: Helen BROWNEE (AUS),
President
Oceania Maree BURNETT (NZL),
Secretary General

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15. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WORKING PROGRAMME FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS (2006-2008) INCLUDING ICF LONG TERM CALENDAR

The President informed the Congress that the re-worked Working Programme for 2006-2008 was distributed to all Delegates at the beginning of the Congress and that the ICF Board of Directors adopted the Working Programme during their meeting two days earlier.

The Norwegian Canoe Federation (NOR) shared their view that the World Cups should also be a high priority for TV coverage; that more than one high quality TV coverage event was required each year.

The President responded that during Olympic Games in 2000 and 2004 canoeing managed to achieve outstanding coverage in terms of number of countries and audience rates. He stated that the difficult time for TV coverage was in the years between the Olympics.

He suggested that the ICF had limited influence on national broadcasters and that cooperation from National Federations was imperative in order to ensure broadcasting of canoeing events.

He added that it could be advisable to address the Olympic disciplines and other disciplines separately.

A comment was made by the Slovenian Canoe Federation (SLO) that there is a need to give marketing strategy a more appropriate emphasis in working program; that there is a need for a full-time marketing manager or the use of a sports marketing company.

The President responded that the ICF have had talks with three organisations and received proposals from various companies, one of which is currently being looked at.

The US Canoe Federation (USA) requested the creation of a Gender Equity working group.

President advised that a working group had been created two years earlier.

The Slovenian Canoe Federation (SLO) suggested that coordination and connection of organisers of big events was needed because these organisers possess the knowledge to create a good product to sell to TV and potential sponsors.

The President commented that this is the role of the ICF Secretary General and ICF staff.

The Portuguese Canoe Federation (POR) asked if the ICF had budget to support National Federations with initiatives like their upcoming TV program broadcast and simultaneous internet streaming for the promotion of the sport.

The President responded that this is the ICF's goal and that where necessary the ICF wants, and has, to support its National Federations. He commented that the ICF must be flexible and that the emphasis is to work together with organisers of events for successful outcomes.

Proposal

The President proposed that the Working Programme be approved for 2006-2008.

➤ *Resolution 47/2007*

The Congress approved the Working Programme for 2006-2008.

16. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

a) Project 2006-2008

1st Vice President, Mr. Jose Perurena Lopez, referred to the ICF Development Programme Brochure 2004-2012 which was distributed in the Delegate bags at the Congress accreditation that will be available on the ICF website.

b) Master Plan 2006-2012

Mr. Jose Perurena Lopez presented what is planned for the Development Programme for the years 2006-2008.

The Kenyan Canoe Federation (KEN) suggested that many international Games exist that the Development Programme could support involvement in. He used the example of the World Military Games and that he believed that area should be given more attention as many athletes are involved.

Mr. Jose Perurena Lopez acknowledged the Kenyan Canoe Federation's (KEN) point.

The Slovenian Canoe Federation (SLO) enquired as to why the budgets for Slalom Racing in Europe and Oceania were less than others for Continental Games.

Mr. Jose Perurena Lopez explained that as discussed by the Development Commission, Oceania consisted of only three countries and that Europe receives subsidies in other forms. Europe does not face the same travel issues as other continents.



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Proposal

The President proposed the Congress approve the Development Programme budget for 2006-2008.

➤ *Resolution 48/2007*

The Development Programme budget for 2006-2008 was approved.

17. REPORTS

a) Women and Sport

Chair of Women in Sport Working Group, Ms. Helen Brownlee, stated that the working group has made good progress in the past two years and described the several activities and results.

Ms. Helen Brownlee thanked the ICF Board of Directors and others that have supported the Women in Sport Working Group.

b) Paddleability

The Chair of the Paddleability Working Group, Mr. Francesco Conforti, referred to the written report.

He advised the Congress that the Working Group sent a proposal for consultation to all National Federations. He added that very few Federations had responded and urged Delegates to return the completed questionnaire.

18. FIXING THE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS (2006-2008)

Proposal

It was proposed that the ICF create three (3) categories of Membership Fee:

a. 100 € (EUR)

b. 250 € (EUR)

c. 500 € (EUR)

➤ *Resolution 49/2007*

The proposal was accepted with one no-vote.

19. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BUDGET FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS

a) ICF Budget 2006-2008

The President referred to the budget proposal for 2006-2008 provided to all Delegates in the Congress preparation documents.

Proposal

The President proposed that if there were no comments that the budget be decided.

➤ *Resolution 50/2007*

The ICF Budget 2006-2008 was approved with 79 votes pro.

20. PRESENTATION BY SLALOM COURSE DESIGNERS

Mr. Zhang Lei made a presentation on Slalom course development in China, including the 2008 Beijing Olympic Venue.

Mr. Gilles Bernard, Hydrostadium, presented background on the company and chronologically detailed information of the developments and technologies related to slalom courses.

The President thanked both the presenters.

The US Canoe Federation (USA) informed the Congress that they opened the National Whitewater Center in Charlotte, Carolina in August and it will host the 2007 Continental Qualification event for Olympic Games.

21. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Chair of the Athletes' Commission, Ms. Belen Sanchez, thanked everyone for their support in the establishment of the commission and provided an update on the work of the commission.

The 2nd Vice President, Mr. Joao Tomasini Schwertner, provided an update of the preparation of the Slalom Racing World Championships in Brazil 2007.

The President thanked Mr. Joao Tomasini Schwertner and wished him good luck with preparing and staging the championships.

The German Canoe Federation (GER) provided an update on the Flatwater Racing World Championships in Duisburg in 2007.

Ms. Helen Brownlee provided an overview of the Australian Youth Olympics Festival to be held in Penrith 17-21 January 2007.

22. ESTABLISHING TIME AND PLACE FOR THE XXXII ICF CONGRESS

a) Application from Cyprus – Larnaca

The Cyprus National Federation (CYP) President advised the Congress that their Federation and Organising Committee would be happy to welcome delegates to Cyprus for the 2008 Congress and stated that being able to host the Congress in Cyprus would help to further develop canoeing in their country. He showed a video showing Cyprus' facilities and attractions as a water city and described the accommodation options and Congress venues that would be used if they were successful.

b) Application from Italy - Rome

The Italian National Federation (ITA) President showed a short video on Rome and referred to the brochure distributed to Delegates. He stated why the Italian Federation was standing as a candidate for the XXXII ICF Ordinary Congress. The Federation will celebrate their 75th anniversary in 2008. He explained that they have received general consent from city of Rome, the NOC and other relevant organisations.

The Congress then voted on the host for the ICF XXXII Ordinary Congress 2008.



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| Open Vote | Name | Votes |
|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| | Rome – Italy | 64 |
| | Larnaca - Cyprus | 18 |
| Total | | 82 |

➤ *Resolution 51/2007*

The ICF XXXII Ordinary Congress will be held in Rome, Italy.

23. MISCELLANEOUS

No comments were made.

24. CLOSING OF THE CONGRESS

The President expressed his gratitude to the Hong Kong Canoe Union (HKG) for their wonderful organisation of the Congress and for the many friendly and committed helpers. He acknowledged that the Congress was one of the best prepared he had ever had taken part in.

He expressed his pride that all proposals were constructive, no personal attacks were made and no unacceptable arguments occurred. He also thanked the interpreters who did a wonderful job, as many Delegates had already commented during the Congress.

Finally he presented Mr. Anthony Chan with a gift and thanked him on behalf of all National Federations. He commented that under these conditions, participants would happily return to Hong Kong.

**THE PRESIDENT DECLARED THE XXXI
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| 1 | AFRICA | ALGERIA | ALG | 1 | | LIB | | FÉDÉRATION ALGÉRIENNE DES SOCIÉTÉS D'AVIRON ET DE CANOE/KAYAK |
| 2 | AFRICA | REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA | ANG | | | | x | ANGOLAN COMMISSION OF CANOE AND ROWING / CACARE |
| 3 | AFRICA | BURUNDI | BDI | | | | x | FÉDÉRATION NATIONALE DE CANOE DU BURUNDI |
| 4 | AFRICA | BURKINA FASSO | BUR | | | | x | BURKINA ROWING AND CANOEING FEDERATION |
| 5 | AFRICA | IVORY COAST | CIV | 1 | TOG | | | FÉDÉRATION IVOIRIENNE DE PIROGUE ET CANOE-KAYAK |
| 6 | AFRICA | CAMEROON | CMR | | | | x | CAMEROON NAUTICAL SPORTS FEDERATION |
| 7 | AFRICA | EGYPT | EGY | 1 | | KEN | | EGYPTIAN ROWING & CANOE FEDERATION |
| 8 | AFRICA | ETHIOPIA | ETH | | | | x | ETHIOPIAN CANOE ASSOCIATION |
| 9 | AFRICA | GUINEE BISSAU | GBS | | | | x | FEDERACAO DE CANOAGEM DA GUINEA-BISSAU |
| 10 | AFRICA | REPUBLIC OF EQUATORIAL GUINEA | GEQ | | | | x | FEDERACION ECUATOGUINEA DE CANOA/KAYAK |
| 11 | AFRICA | KENYA | KEN | 1 | EGY | | | KENYA ROWING AND CANOEING ASSOCIATION |
| 12 | AFRICA | LIBERIA | LBR | | | | x | LIBERIA ROWING AND CANOEING FEDERATION (LRCF) |
| 13 | AFRICA | MOROCCO | MAR | | | | x | FÉDÉRATION ROYALE MAROCAINE DE CANOE-KAYAK |
| 14 | AFRICA | MOCAMBIQUE | MOZ | | | | x | ASSOCICAO DE CANOAGEM E REMO DE MOCAMBIQUE |
| 15 | AFRICA | NAMIBIA | NAM | 1 | | RSA | | NAMIBIA CANOE FEDERATION |
| 16 | AFRICA | SOUTH AFRICA | RSA | 1 | NAM | | | CANOEING SOUTH AFRICA |
| 17 | AFRICA | SENEGAL | SEN | | | | x | FEDERATION SENEGALAISE DE CANOE ET KAYAK |
| 18 | AFRICA | SEYCHELLES | SEY | | | | x | SEYCHELLES CANOE ASSOCIATION |
| 19 | AFRICA | SOMALIA | SOM | | | | x | SOMALI CANOE FEDERATION |
| 20 | AFRICA | SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE | STP | 1 | | | | SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE CANOE FEDERATION |
| 21 | AFRICA | SUDAN | SUD | | | | x | SUDANESE ROWING FEDERATION |
| 22 | AFRICA | TOGO | TOG | 1 | | CIV | | FEDERATION TOGOLAISE D'AVIRON ET DE CANOE |
| 23 | AFRICA | TUNISIA | TUN | 1 | | | | FÉDÉRATION TUNISIENNE D'AVIRON ET DE CANOE-KAYAK |
| 24 | AFRICA | UGANDA | UGA | | | | x | UGANDA CANOEING/KAYAK FEDERATION |
| 24 | AFRICA Count | | | 9 | 3 | 4 | 15 | |

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| 1 | AMERICA | NETHERLANDS ANTILLES | AHO | 1 | | | | NETHERLANDS ANTILLES CANOE FEDERATION |
| 2 | AMERICA | ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA | ANT | | | | x | ANTIGUA & BARBUDA CANOE AND KAYAK ASSOCIATION |
| 3 | AMERICA | ARGENTINA | ARG | 1 | | AND | | FEDERACIÓN ARGENTINA DE CANOAS |
| 4 | AMERICA | ARUBA | ARU | 1 | | PUR | | ARUBA ROWING AND CANOEING ASSOCIATION |
| 5 | AMERICA | BOLIVIA | BOL | 1 | | BRA | | FEDERACIÓN BOLIVIANA DE DEPORTES NAUTICOS "FEBODENA" |
| 6 | AMERICA | BRAZIL | BRA | 1 | BOL | | | BRAZILIAN CANOE CONFEDERATION |
| 7 | AMERICA | CANADA | CAN | 1 | | | | CANADIAN CANOE ASSOCIATION |
| 8 | AMERICA | CHILE | CHI | 1 | | ESP | | FEDERACIÓN CHILENA DE CANOTAJE |
| 9 | AMERICA | COLOMBIA | COL | | | | x | FEDERACIÓN COLOMBIANA DE VELA |
| 10 | AMERICA | COSTA RICA | CRC | | | | x | ASOCIACIÓN COSTARRICENSE DE CANOA KAYAK |
| 11 | AMERICA | CUBA | CUB | | | | x | FEDERACIÓN CUBANA DE CANOTAJE |
| 12 | AMERICA | DOMINICAN REPUBLIC | DOM | 1 | PAR | | | FEDERACION DOMINICANA DE CANOTAJE |
| 13 | AMERICA | ECUADOR | ECU | 1 | | USA | | FEDERACIÓN ECUATORIANA DE CANOTAJE |
| 14 | AMERICA | EL SALVADOR | ESA | | | | x | FEDERACIÓN SALVADOREÑA DE REMO Y CANOTAJE |
| 15 | AMERICA | GUATEMALA | GUA | 1 | NCA | | | FEDERACIÓN GUATEMALTECA DE REMO Y CANOTAJE |
| 16 | AMERICA | GUYANA | GUY | | | | x | GUYANA CANOE FEDERATION |
| 17 | AMERICA | HONDURAS | HON | 1 | | MEX | | FEDERACION NACIONAL DE CANOA Y KAYAK DE HONDURAS |
| 18 | AMERICA | BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS | ISV | | | | x | BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS CANOE AND KAYAKING FEDERATION |
| 19 | AMERICA | MEXICO | MEX | 1 | HON | | | FEDERACIÓN MEXICANA DE CANOTAJE |
| 20 | AMERICA | NICARAGUA | NCA | 1 | | GUA | | FEDERACION NICARAGUENSE DE CANOTAJE |
| 21 | AMERICA | REPUBLIC OF PANAMA | PAN | | | | x | UNION PANAMEÑA DE REMO AFICIONADO |
| 22 | AMERICA | PARAGUAY | PAR | 1 | | DOM | | FEDERACIÓN PARAGUAYA DE CANOTAJE "FEPACA" |
| 23 | AMERICA | PERU | PER | | | | x | COMISIÓN NACIONAL DE CANOTAJE PERUANA |
| 24 | AMERICA | PUERTO RICO | PUR | 1 | ARU | | | FEDERACIÓN DE CANOA Y KAYAK DE PUERTO RICO |
| 25 | AMERICA | SURINAM | SUR | | | | x | SURINAME CANOE FEDERATION |
| 26 | AMERICA | TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO | TRI | | | | x | TRINIDAD & TOBAGO CANOE FEDERATION |
| 27 | AMERICA | URUGUAY | URU | 1 | | | | FEDERACIÓN URUGUAYA DE CANOTAJE |
| 28 | AMERICA | USA | USA | 1 | ECU | | | USA CANOE/KAYAK |
| 29 | AMERICA | VENEZUELA | VEN | 1 | | | | FEDERACIÓN VENEZOLANA DE CANOTAJE |
| 30 | AMERICA | ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES | VIN | | | | x | SAINT VINCENT & THE GRENADINES CANOE ASSOCIATION |
| 30 | AMERICA | Count | | 18 | 6 | 8 | 12 | |

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| 1 | ASIA | AFGHANISTAN | AFG | | | | x | AFGHANISTAN CANOEING FEDERATION |
| 2 | ASIA | BHUTAN | BHU | | | | x | BHUTAN CANOE FEDERATION |
| 3 | ASIA | BRUNEI | BRU | | | | x | BRUNEI DARUSSALAM NATIONAL CANOE FEDERATION |
| 4 | ASIA | CAMBODIA | CAM | | | | x | CAMBODIA CANOEING ROWING AND TRADITIONAL BOAT RACE FEDERATION |
| 5 | ASIA | PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA | CHN | 1 | PRK | | | CHINESE CANOEING ASSOCIATION |
| 6 | ASIA | HONG KONG | HKG | 1 | | | | HONG KONG CANOE UNION |
| 7 | ASIA | INDONESIA | INA | 1 | VIE | | | INDONESIAN ROWING AND CANOEING ASSOCIATION |
| 8 | ASIA | INDIA | IND | 1 | | | | INDIAN KAYAKING & CANOEING ASSOCIATION |
| 9 | ASIA | ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN | IRI | | | | x | CANOE/KAYAK & WATER SKI FEDERATION |
| 10 | ASIA | IRAQ | IRQ | 1 | | | | IRAQI CENTRAL ROWING & CANOE FEDERATION |
| 11 | ASIA | JAPAN | JPN | 1 | THA | | | JAPAN CANOE FEDERATION |
| 12 | ASIA | KAZAKHSTAN | KAZ | 1 | | | | CANOE FEDERATION OF KAZAKHSTAN |
| 13 | ASIA | KYRGYZ REPUBLIC | KGZ | 1 | | | | CANOE-KAYAK FEDERATION OF KYRGHIZISTAN |
| 14 | ASIA | KOREA | KOR | 1 | | | | KOREAN CANOE FEDERATION |
| 15 | ASIA | LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REP. | LAO | | | | x | THE LAO CANOE-KAYAK FEDERATION |
| 16 | ASIA | LEBANON | LIB | 1 | ALG | | | FEDERATION LIBANAISE DE CANOE-KAYAK |
| 17 | ASIA | MACAU CHINA | MAC | 1 | | | | ASSOCIACAO DE CANOAGEM DE MACAU |
| 18 | ASIA | MALAYSIA | MAS | 1 | | | | PERSATUAN KENU MALAYSIA SINGAPORE |
| 19 | ASIA | MONGOLIA | MGL | | | | x | MONGOLIAN CANOE FEDERATION |
| 20 | ASIA | MYANMAR | MYA | 1 | | | | MYANMAR ROWING & CANOEING FEDERATION |
| 21 | ASIA | NEPAL | NEP | | | | x | NEPAL RAFTING AND CANOEING ASSOCIATION |
| 22 | ASIA | PAKISTAN | PAK | | | | x | CANOE ASSOCIATION OF PAKISTAN |
| 23 | ASIA | PHILIPPINES | PHI | 1 | | | | PHILIPPINE CANOE FEDERATION |
| 24 | ASIA | DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REP. OF KOREA | PRK | 1 | | CHN | | CANOE ASSOCIATION OF THE DPR OF KOREA |
| 25 | ASIA | QATAR | QAT | | | | x | QATAR SAILING AND ROWING FEDERATION |
| 26 | ASIA | SINGAPORE | SIN | 1 | | | | SINGAPORE CANOE FEDERATION |
| 27 | ASIA | SRI LANKA | SRI | | | | x | NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CANOEING AND KAYAKING IN SRI LANKA |
| 28 | ASIA | THAILAND | THA | 1 | | JPN | | ROWING & CANOEING ASSOCIATION OF THAILAND |
| 29 | ASIA | TADJIKISTAN | TJK | | | | x | CANOE FEDERATION OF TADJIKISTAN |
| 30 | ASIA | TURKMENISTAN | TKM | | | | x | TURKMENISTAN CANOE FEDERATION |
| 31 | ASIA | DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF TIMOR LESTE | TLS | | | | x | FEDERACAO DE CANOAGEM DE TIMOR-LESTE |
| 32 | ASIA | CHINESE TAIPEI | TPE | 1 | | | | CHINESE TAIPEI CANOE ASSOCIATION |
| 33 | ASIA | UNITED ARAB EMIRATES | UAE | 1 | | CZE | | UAE MARINE SPORTS FEDERATION |
| 34 | ASIA | REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN | UZB | 1 | | | | THE CANOE FEDERATION OF UZBEKISTAN |
| 35 | ASIA | VIETNAM | VIE | 1 | | INA | | VIETNAM ROWING AND CANOEING FEDERATION |
| 35 | ASIA Count | | | 21 | 4 | 4 | 14 | |

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| 1 | EUROPE | ALBANIA | ALB | | | | x | ALBANIAN ROWING AND CANOE ASSOCIATION "LIBURNIA" |
| 2 | EUROPE | ANDORRA | AND | 1 | ARG | | | ANDORRA CANOEING FEDERATION |
| 3 | EUROPE | ARMENIA | ARM | | | | x | ARMENIAN NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CANOE |
| 4 | EUROPE | AUSTRIA | AUT | 1 | | | | ÖSTERREICHISCHER KANU VERBAND |
| 5 | EUROPE | AZERBAIJAN | AZE | | | | x | AZERBAIJAN NATIONAL ROWING FEDERATION |
| 6 | EUROPE | BELGIUM | BEL | 1 | | NED | | ROYAL BELGIAN CANOE FEDERATION |
| 7 | EUROPE | BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA | BIH | | | | x | CANOE FEDERATION OF BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA |
| 8 | EUROPE | BELARUS | BLR | 1 | | | | BELARUS CANOE ASSOCIATION |
| 9 | EUROPE | BULGARIA | BUL | 1 | MKD | | | BULGARIAN CANOE FEDERATION |
| 10 | EUROPE | CROATIA | CRO | 1 | | | | CROATIAN CANOE FEDERATION |
| 11 | EUROPE | CYPRUS | CYP | 1 | | | | CYPRUS CANOE FEDERATION |
| 12 | EUROPE | CZECH REPUBLIC | CZE | 1 | UAE | | | CZECH CANOE UNION |
| 13 | EUROPE | DENMARK | DEN | 1 | | | | DANSK KANO OG KAJAK FORBUND |
| 14 | EUROPE | SPAIN | ESP | 1 | CHI | | | FEDERACION ESPANOLA DE PIRAGUISMO |
| 15 | EUROPE | ESTONIA | EST | | | | x | ESTONIAN CANOEING FEDERATION |
| 16 | EUROPE | FINLAND | FIN | 1 | | | | FINNISH CANOE FEDERATION |
| 17 | EUROPE | FRANCE | FRA | 1 | LUX | | | FÉDÉRATION FRANÇAISE DE CANOE-KAYAK |
| 18 | EUROPE | GREAT BRITAIN | GBR | 1 | GRE | | | BRITISH CANOE UNION |
| 19 | EUROPE | GEORGIA | GEO | | | | x | ROWING & CANOEING FEDERATION |
| 20 | EUROPE | GERMANY | GER | 1 | | | | DEUTSCHER KANU VERBAND E.V. |
| 21 | EUROPE | GREECE | GRE | 1 | | GBR | | HELLENIC CANOE-KAYAK FEDERATION |
| 22 | EUROPE | HUNGARY | HUN | 1 | | | | MAGYAR KAJAK-KENU SZÖVETSÉG |
| 23 | EUROPE | IRELAND | IRL | 1 | | | | IRISH CANOE UNION |
| 24 | EUROPE | ISRAEL | ISR | 1 | | | | ISRAEL CANOE ASSOCIATION |
| 25 | EUROPE | ITALY | ITA | 1 | | | | FEDERAZIONE ITALIANA CANOA KAYAK |
| 26 | EUROPE | LATVIA | LAT | 1 | | LTU | | LATVIA CANOE FEDERATION |
| 27 | EUROPE | LITHUANIA | LTU | 1 | LAT | | | LITHUANIAN CANOE FEDERATION |
| 28 | EUROPE | LUXEMBOURG | LUX | 1 | | FRA | | FEDERATION LUXEMBOURGOISE DE CANOE-KAYAK |
| 29 | EUROPE | MALTA | MAL | | | | x | MALTA CANOE UNION |
| 30 | EUROPE | MOLDOVA | MDA | | | | x | KAYAK-CANOE FEDERATION OF MOLDOVA |
| 31 | EUROPE | MACEDONIA | MKD | 1 | | BUL | | CANOE-KAYAK FEDERATION OF FYROM |
| 32 | EUROPE | NETHERLANDS | NED | 1 | BEL | | | NEDERLANSE KANO BOND |
| 33 | EUROPE | NORWAY | NOR | 1 | | | | NORWEGIAN CANOE ASSOCIATION |
| 34 | EUROPE | POLAND | POL | 1 | | | | POLISH CANOE FEDERATION |
| 35 | EUROPE | PORTUGAL | POR | 1 | | | | FEDERACAO PORTUGUESA DE CANOAGEM |
| 36 | EUROPE | ROMANIA | ROU | 1 | | | | FEDERATIA ROMANA DE KAIAC-CANOE |
| 37 | EUROPE | RUSSIA | RUS | 1 | UKR | | | ALL RUSSIAN KAYAK-CANOE FEDERATION |
| 38 | EUROPE | SLOVENIA | SLO | 1 | | | | CANOE FEDERATION OF SLOVENIA |
| 39 | EUROPE | SERBIA | SRB | 1 | | | | CANOE FEDERATION OF SERBIA |
| 40 | EUROPE | SWITZERLAND | SUI | 1 | | | | SCHWEIZERISCHER KANU VERBAND |
| 41 | EUROPE | SLOVAKIA | SVK | 1 | | | | SLOVAK CANOE ASSOCIATION |
| 42 | EUROPE | SWEDEN | SWE | 1 | | | | SVENSKA KANOT FORBUNDET |
| 43 | EUROPE | TURKEY | TUR | 1 | | | | TURKISH CANOE FEDERATION |
| 44 | EUROPE | REPUBLIC OF UKRAINE | UKR | 1 | | RUS | | UKRAINIAN KAYAK AND CANOE FEDERATION |
| 44 | EUROPE Count | | | 36 | 9 | 6 | 8 | |

**APPENDIX 1 -
List of Participation of National Federations to the XXXI. ICF Ordinary Congress**

| Nb/Cont | Continent | Country | Abrev | Congress | Proxy From | Proxy to | Did not attend | Name |
|----------|----------------------|------------------|-------|----------|------------|----------|----------------|--|
| 1 | OCEANIA | AMERICAN SAMOA | ASA | | | | x | AMERICAN SAMOA KAYAK CANOEING ASSOCIATION |
| 2 | OCEANIA | AUSTRALIA | AUS | 1 | PNG | | | AUSTRALAIN CANOEING |
| 3 | OCEANIA | GUAM | GUM | 1 | | | | GUAM KAYAK AND OUTRIGGER CANOE FEDERATION "PROA" |
| 4 | OCEANIA | NEW ZEALAND | NZL | 1 | | | | NEW ZEALAND CANOE FEDERATION INCORPORATED |
| 5 | OCEANIA | PAPUA NEW GUINEA | PNG | 1 | | AUS | | PAPUA NEW GUINEA CANOEING ASSOCIATION INC. |
| 6 | OCEANIA | SAMOA | SAM | | | | x | FAALAPOTOPOTOGA O ALO PAOPAO I SAMOA I SISIFO |
| 7 | OCEANIA | KINGDOM OF TONGA | TGA | | | | x | TONGA CANOE ASSOCIATION |
| 8 | OCEANIA | VANUATU | VAN | | | | x | VANUATU CANOEING ASSOCIATION |
| 8 | OCEANIA Count | | | 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 | |

| | | | | | |
|------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 141 | Grand Count | 88 | 23 | 23 | 53 |
|------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|

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|--|-----------|
| National Federations physically present | 65 |
|--|-----------|

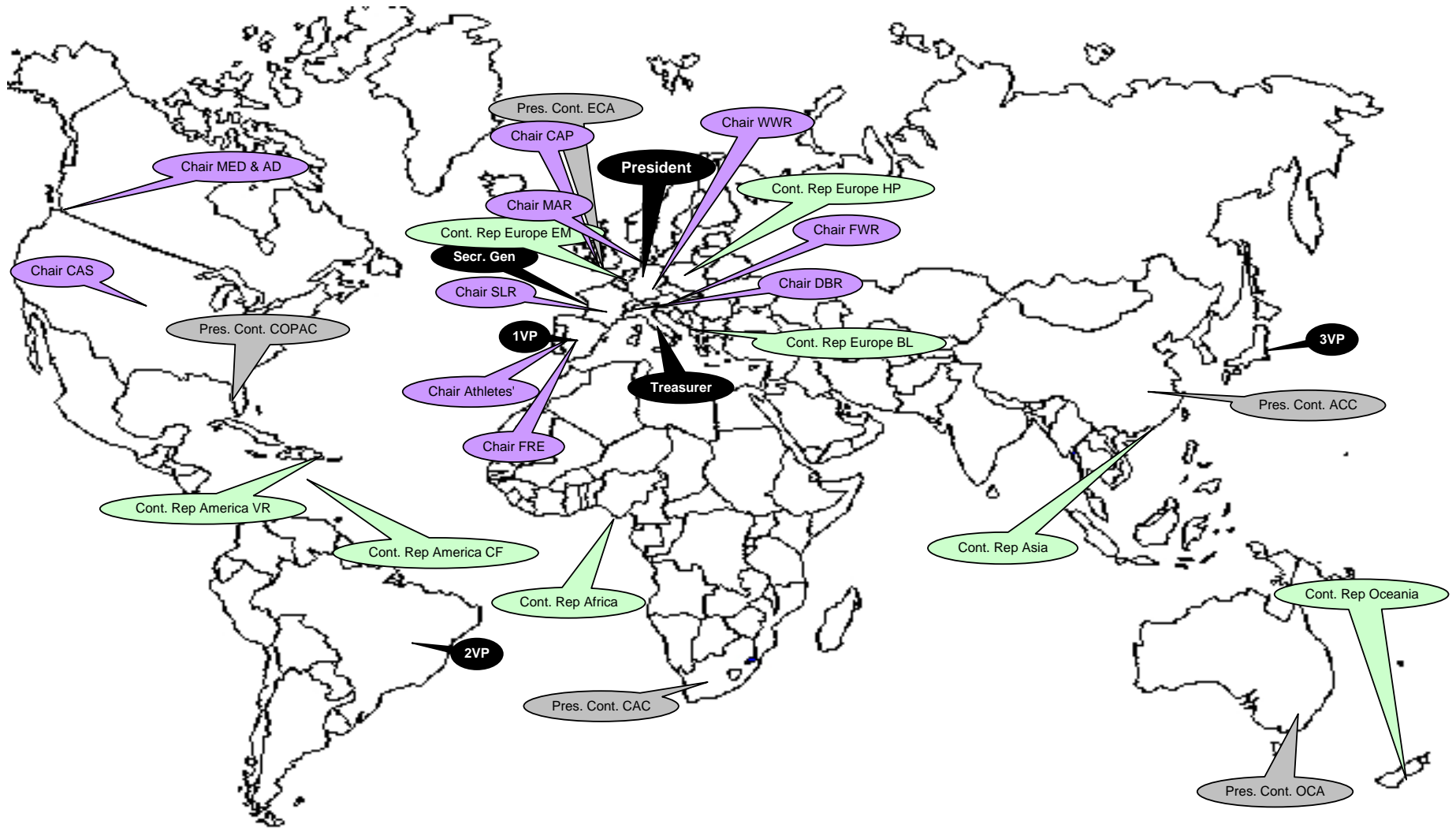
ICF New Members after 2007 Congress

**APPENDIX 2 -
Election results
ICF XXXI. Ordinary Congress**

| | | | Number of votes | | | |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----|-----|-------|
| ICF Vacant Positions to be elected during the Congress | | | Yes | Abs | Inv | Total |
| Executive Committee Members Next Congress to Congress 2010 | | | | | | |
| 1 | 1 st Vice – President | Mr Jose Perurena Lopez (ESP) | 44 | 0 | 0 | 44 |
| 2 | 1 st Vice – President | Mr Albert Woods (GBR) | 22 | | | 22 |
| 3 | 1 st Vice – President | Mr Ryszard Seruga (POL) | 21 | | | 21 |
| | | | 87 | 0 | 0 | 87 |
| 1 | 3 rd Vice – President | Mr Shoken Narita (JPN) | 84 | 3 | 0 | 87 |
| Board of Directors Members Next Congress to Congress 2010 | | | | | | |
| 1 | Canoe Polo Committee | Mr Greg Smale (GBR) | 74 | 6 | 5 | 85 |
| 1 | Dragonboat Racing Committee | Mr François Ryffel (SUI) | 77 | 7 | 0 | 84 |
| 1 | Freestyle Committee | Mr Lluís Rabaneda Caselles (ESP) | 83 | 1 | 0 | 84 |
| 1 | Medical & Antidoping Committee | Dr Donald Mac Kenzie (CAN) | 59 | 1 | 2 | 60 |
| 2 | Medical & Antidoping Committee | Dr Jose Ramos (POR) | 23 | | | 23 |
| | | | 82 | 1 | 2 | 83 |
| Board of Directors Members Next Congress to Congress 2008 | | | | | | |
| 1 | Wildwater Racing Committee | Mr Jens Perlwitz (GER) | 80 | 4 | 3 | 87 |
| Other position Next Congress to Congress 2008 | | | | | | |
| 1 | Auditor | | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | Auditing Company | | 83 | | | 83 |
| | | | 84 | 0 | 0 | 84 |
| ICF Congress 2008 location to be designated during the Congress | | | | | | |
| 1 | ICF Congress 2008 location | Larnaka (CYP) | 18 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| 2 | ICF Congress 2008 location | Rome (ITA) | 64 | | | 64 |
| | | | 82 | 0 | 0 | 82 |

**APPENDIX 3 -
List of ICF
Board of Directors Members**

| Name | First Name | Country | Continent | Position |
|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|
| FELDHOFF | Ulrich | Germany | Europe | President |
| PERURENA LOPEZ | Jose | Spain | Europe | 1st Vice-President |
| TOMASINI | Joao | Brazil | America | 2nd Vice-President |
| NARITA | Shoken | Japan | Asia | 3rd Vice-President |
| CONFORTI | Francesco | Italy | Europe | Treasurer |
| GOETSCHY | Antoine | France | Europe | Secretary General |
| WOODS | Albert | Great-Britain | Europe | President Continent ECA |
| QUNYING | Xin | China | Asia | President Continent ACC |
| CORNISH | Tim | South Africa | Africa | President Continent CAC |
| YATMAN | Charles | USA | America | President Continent COPAC |
| BROWNLEE | Helen | Australia | Oceania | President Continent OCA |
| BURNETT | Maree | New Zealand | Oceania | Continental Representative Oceania |
| CHAN | Anthony | Hong Kong | Asia | Continental Representative Asia |
| DA COSTA ALEGRE | Joao Manuel | Sao Tome and Principe | Africa | Continental Representative Africa |
| FARIAS | Cecilia | Netherlands Antilles | America | Continental Representative America |
| LOVRIC | Branko | Croatia | Europe | Continental Representative Europe |
| MÜLLER | Elisabeth | Netherlands | Europe | Continental Representative Europe |
| PIKULA | Halina | Poland | Europe | Continental Representative Europe |
| RUIZ | Victor | Puerto Rico | America | Continental Representative America |
| VASKUTI | Istvan | Hungary | Europe | Chair Flatwater Racing |
| PRONO | Jean-Michel | France | Europe | Chair Slalom Racing |
| CRONBERG | Jorn | Denmark | Europe | Chair Marathon Racing |
| PERLWITZ | Jens | Germany | Europe | Chair Wildwater Racing |
| SMALE | Greg | Great-Britain | Europe | Chair Canoe Polo |
| FULLER | Ben | USA | America | Chair Canoe Sailing |
| RYFFEL | Francois | Switzerland | Europe | Chair Dragon Boat Racing |
| RABANEDA I CASELLES | Lluis | Spain | Europe | Chair Freestyle |
| MCKENZIE | Donald | Canada | America | Chair Medical and Antidoping |
| SANCHEZ JIMENEZ | Belen | Spain | Europe | Chair Athletes |



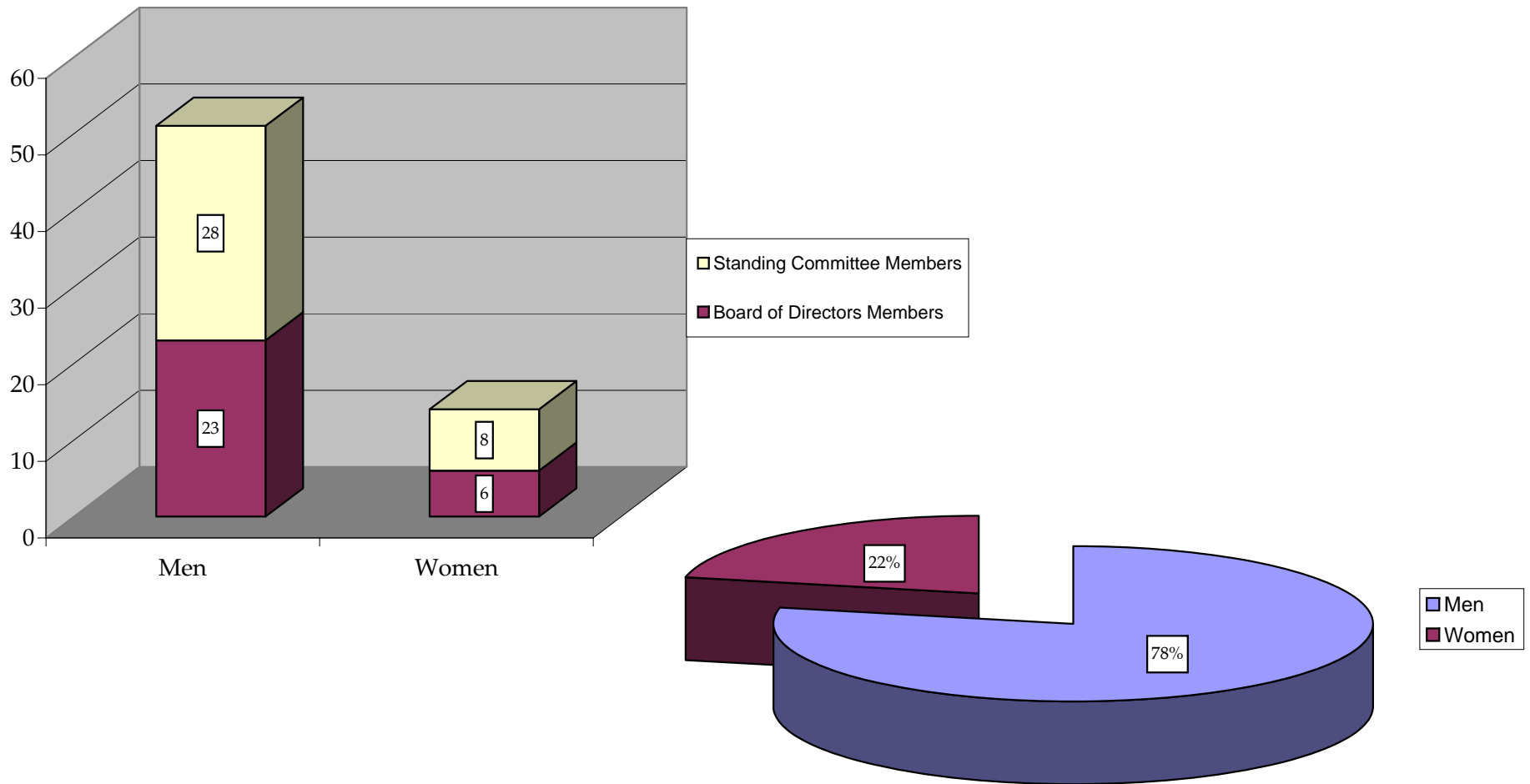
-  Executive Committee
-  Presidents Continental Association
-  Continental Representatives
-  Chairs Standing Committees

**APPENDIX 4 -
Location Map -
ICF Board of Directors Members**

**APPENDIX 5 -
Number of ICF Representatives per National Federation (2007-2008)**

| Continent | Country | | Board of Directors | | | Committee Members | Number of representatives per NF | Number of representatives per continent |
|--------------|-----------------------|-----|---------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| | | | Executive Committee | Continent Representatives | Committee Chairs | | | |
| Africa | South Africa | RSA | | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Africa | Sao Tome and Principe | STP | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| America | USA | USA | | 1 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 11 |
| America | Netherlands Antilles | AHO | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| America | Brazil | BRA | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | |
| America | Canada | CAN | | | 1 | | 1 | |
| America | Cuba | CUB | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| America | Puerto Rico | PUR | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| America | | | | | | | | |
| Asia | China | CHN | | 1 | | | 1 | 4 |
| Asia | Hong Kong | HKG | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Asia | Japan | JPN | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | |
| Asia | Chinese Taipei | TPE | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| Europe | Great-Britain | GBR | | 1 | 1 | 6 | 8 | 37 |
| Europe | Germany | GER | 1 | | 1 | 3 | 4 | |
| Europe | Czech Republic | CZE | | | | 3 | 3 | |
| Europe | Spain | ESP | 1 | | 2 | 1 | 3 | |
| Europe | France | FRA | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | |
| Europe | Hungary | HUN | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | |
| Europe | Sweden | SWE | | | | 3 | 3 | |
| Europe | Croatia | CRO | | 1 | | 1 | 2 | |
| Europe | Poland | POL | | 1 | | 1 | 2 | |
| Europe | Belgium | BEL | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| Europe | Denmark | DEN | | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Europe | Italy | ITA | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | |
| Europe | Netherlands | NED | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Europe | Portugal | POR | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| Europe | Switzerland | SUI | | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Oceania | Australia | AUS | | 1 | | 2 | 3 | |
| Oceania | New Zealand | NZL | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| TOTAL | | | 6 | 14 | 10 | 35 | 59 | |

APPENDIX 6 - Gender Equity ICF Board of Directors and ICF Standing Committee Members



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