



## Extraordinary Delegates' Conference of ITHF (November 2024) Minutes

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### Votes

#### Vote 1

Amending in the paragraph 12.2.2.1 of the ITHF Constitution

#### Information

The Executive Committee of ITHF solves the different questions in common, so we don't need to have Continental Managers in different parts of the world.

Therefore, it is proposed to elect the President, the Secretary General and three members instead of electing continental managers.

#### Question

The first subparagraph of paragraph 12.2.2.1 of the ITHF Constitution should be as follows:

**The Delegates Conference elects 5 people to the Executive Committee: the President, the Secretary General and three EC Members.**

#### Options

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	12	Belarus, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Norway, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine
NO	0	

**Result:** Proposed change is **accepted** and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

#### Vote 2

Change to Tournament Rule 2.1

#### Information

At some ITHF World Tour tournaments, the organizers use old-style pucks. Therefore, the ITHF proposes to add the following sentence to Tournament Rule 2.1:

**"In tournaments from the first to the third level in the World Ranking, the organizers must use the pucks included in the game "Stiga Play-off 21"."**

#### Question

Do you agree with the proposed changes to Tournament Rule 2.1?

## Options

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	9	Belarus, Czech Republic, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Norway, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden
NO	2	Canada, Ukraine

**Result:** Proposed change is **accepted** and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

## Vote 3

The procedure for determining the final places at the World and European Championships

### Information

During the European Championship - 2024 there were problems with the determination of the final places in the Veterans and Juniors tournaments. In order to avoid similar situations in the future, the ITHF proposes to add the following paragraph to Section 11 of the Rules of the World and European Championships:

“11.5 The final places in the tournament are determined as follows:

- if up to 21 players participated in the tournament, the places from ninth and below are determined according to the results of the games in the group. Players who lost in the 1/4 final take places from fifth to eighth. The higher places are taken by the players who were higher according to the results of the games in the group. Places from first to fourth are determined by the results of the final and the third place match.

- If between 22 and 42 players participated in the tournament, the places from ninth and below are determined by comparing the performance of players who took the same places in the base groups A and B. The following scores from games in the final divisions\* shall be taken into account consecutively:

- 1) higher number of points
- 2) total goal difference (number of goals for minus number of goals against)
- 3) total number of goals
- 4) total number of wins.

If all four indicators are equal, an additional match is played.

**Option 1:** \*Note: in case of unequal number of players in the base groups A and B the last place in the tournament is taken by the player, who became the last in the group with more players. To determine the remaining places from the ninth to the penultimate, the places of the players are taken into account, taking into account the games with the player who became the last, but without taking into account the points scored in the games with this player.

**Option 2:** \*Note: in case of unequal number of players in the base groups A and B, the above indicators of players per game are taken into account.

Places from fifth to eighth are taken by players who lost in the 1/4 finals. The higher places are taken by the players who took higher places according to the results of the games in the base groups, taking into account the above four indicators.

Places from first to fourth are determined by the results of the final and the third place match.

- If between 43 and 72 players participated in the tournament, the places from twenty-fifth and below are determined by the results of games in divisions 2, 3, etc. Of the players who lost in the semifinal play-offs in these divisions, the higher ranked player is the one who was ranked higher by the results of the games in that division.

Places from ninth to twenty-fourth are determined by comparing the performance of players who finished in the same position in the final divisions 1A and 1B. The following scores from games in the final divisions shall be taken into account consecutively:

- 1) higher number of points
- 2) total goal difference (number of goals for minus number of goals against)
- 3) total number of goals

4) total number of wins.

If all four indicators are equal, an additional match is played.

Places from fifth to eighth are taken by players who lost in the 1/4 finals. The higher places are taken by the players who took higher places according to the results of the games in the final divisions, taking into account the above four indicators.

Places from first to fourth are determined by the results of the final and the third place match.

- if more than 72 players participated in the tournament, the places from sixty-fifth and below are determined by the results of games in divisions 2, 3, etc. Of the players who lost in the semifinal play-offs in these divisions, the higher ranked player is the one who was ranked higher by the results of the games in that division.

Places thirty-third through sixty-fourth shall be determined by comparing the performance of players who finished in the same place in the final divisions 1A and 1B. The following scores from games in the final divisions shall be taken into account consecutively:

1) higher number of points,

2) overall goal difference (number of goals for minus number of goals against),

3) overall number of goals,

4) overall number of wins.

If all four indicators are equal, an additional match is played.

Places from seventeenth to thirty-second are taken by the players who lost in the 1/16 finals. Places from ninth to sixteenth are taken by the players who lost in the 1/8 finals. Places from fifth to eighth are taken by players who lost in the 1/4 finals. At the same time, at each stage of the play-offs the higher places are taken by the players who took higher places according to the results of the games in the final divisions, taking into account the above four indicators.

Places from first to fourth are determined by the results of the final and the third place match.”

### Question

It is necessary to approve paragraph 11.5 of the Rules of the World and European Championships with one option of the Note out of two.

### Options

Option 1

Option 2

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
1	7	Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Latvia, Norway, Slovenia, Ukraine
2	5	Belarus, Canada, Finland, Slovakia, Sweden

**Result:** Proposed change with **option 1** is **accepted** and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

### Vote 4

Information on the composition of the national teams in the World Ranking

### Information

To date, after holding team tournaments in all categories, information is entered into the World Ranking only about players who have played at least one game in the tournament as part of this team. In other team sports (football, ice hockey, basketball, etc.), all players who were in the application for this tournament are considered participants (including prize-winners) of the World and European Championships. For example, FIFA decided to award 122 World Cup medals to players who missed the World Cup according to the rules in force until 1978, and according to the current rules, all team members receive them.

At the European Championship - 2024 in Valmiera, many players declared in team tournaments could not play at least one game for the team, so information about them is absent in the World Ranking.

In order to bring the information about the participants of the World and European Championships in line with the information about this in the World Ranking, the following changes to the Rules of the World and European Championships are proposed:

- The Rules of the World and European Championships add paragraph 11.6 as follows:

"11.6 At the World and European Championships, participants in tournaments in all team categories are players included in the final composition submitted by the ITHF before the start of the tournament."

- In case of a positive answer to question 4a, bring information about tournaments in the World Ranking in line with information about players declared in team tournaments at the World and European Championships:

No	Player	Country	Tournament
1	Volodymyr Trus	Ukraine	European Championships 2012 Veteran Teams
2	Kimmo Eriksson	Finland	World Championships 2019 Teams
3	Edgars Caics	Latvia	European Championships 2022 Teams
4	Herman Steen	Sweden	European Championships 2024 Teams
5	Truls Mansson	Sweden	European Championships 2024 Teams
6	Pavel Plesak	Czech Rep.	European Championships 2024 Teams
7	Alfons Hermansson	Sweden	European Championships 2024 Junior Teams

#### Question 4a

The Rules of the World and European Championships should be added paragraph 11.6 as follows:

"11.6 At the World and European Championships, participants in tournaments in all team categories are players included in the final composition submitted by the ITHF before the start of the tournament."

#### Options

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	12	Belarus, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine
NO	2	Latvia, Norway

**Result:** Proposed change is **accepted** and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

#### Question 4b

In case of a positive answer to question 4a, should the information about tournaments in the World Ranking be brought into line with the information about players declared in team tournaments at the World and European Championships?

#### Options

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	12	Belarus, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine
NO	2	Latvia, Norway

**Result:** Proposed change is **accepted** and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

#### The Executive Committee of ITHF, Sunday the 24th of November 2024

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