

International Commission for Alpine Rescue

Minutes Assembly of Delegates Terrestrial Rescue Commission

Place: Chamonix, France

Date: October 17, 2018

Time: 8:15 a.m.

Participants: Delegates of the Terrestrial Rescue Commission

Chairmen: Gebhard Barbisch and Kirk Mauthner

Minutes: Fabienne Jelk

1. Welcome

Gebhard Barbisch welcomes all participants to the Assembly of Delegates of the Terrestrial Rescue Commission. He informs everyone that all presentations will be published on the ICAR homepage. This requires the approval of the presentations' authors, for which there is a form to sign.

2. Distribution of Ballots

The ballots are distributed. The delegates of the organizations are asked to come forward and pick up 4 ballots for A members and 2 ballots for B members, respectively.

3. International Activities List

Organizations that participated in activities in another country last year are asked to enter it on the list.

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4. List of Delegates

The delegates are asked to review the contact information in the list and to update it if necessary.

5. Commemorating Fallen Members

A moment of silence is observed for fallen colleagues. If someone wants to say something regarding an accident, they are welcome.

There are no requests to speak.

6. Minutes of Soldeu, Andorra

The minutes had been published and emailed. The minutes are approved.

7. Executive Committee Information

The executive committee has met twice since Soldeu. The next congress has been planned. It will be held from October 8 through 13, 2019 in Zakopane.

Information regarding the Mountain Safety Knowledgebase; the founding members need to keep control. It was discussed how the publication should be distributed. Furthermore, cooperation with UIAA was also discussed.

The technical commission held its own meeting. The executive committee set up the agenda for Chamonix and discussed prevention, which is extremely important. Additionally, the sub-commission for rescue dogs needs to be better integrated.



8. New Members

If anyone from the new member organizations is present, they are asked to briefly introduce themselves.

UNIB Universitäres Notfallzentrum – Inselspital Bern (E)

AMMR – Association for Mountain Medical Rescue (B2)

LPR Lotnicze Pogotowie Ratunkowe (B2)

NRCR-National Cave Rescue Commission (B2). This organization is briefly introduced.

NSP-National Ski Patrol (B2)

NSW-SES-NSW State Emergency Service (B2). This Australian organization is briefly introduced.

CCP-Cantabria Civil Protection (B1). This application was withdrawn.

NLA – Norsk Luftambulanse AS (B1). The organization is briefly introduced. It was originally founded for sea rescue but today 70% of their rescues are on shore.

RNoAF-330SQN – Royal Norwegian Air Force 330 Squadron (B1)

GC -GREIM – Guardia Civil Grupo de Rescate e Intervencion en Montana (A)

Presentation after the Assembly; Spanish military police, rescue missions since 1968.



9. ICAR Recommendations (Terrestrial Rescue)

All recommendations had been discussed last year. REC-007 has a special role. There are no questions regarding all other recommendations.

TER-REC 0001 – Use of carabiner with self-lock systems in mountain rescue organizations

TER-REC 0003 – Canyoning – Training for commercial guides

TER-REC 0004 – Static rope knots for rope extension

TER-REC 0005 – Redundancy for lowering or raising people with fiber ropes

TER-REC 0006 - Static rope brakes

TER-REC 0007 – Static rope differentiation. This topic will be discussed today.

TER-REC 0008 – Winter rescue equipment

TER-REC 0009 – Systems in mountain rescue

The recommendations should be read prior to the congress.

10. Mountain Safety Knowledgebase – MountainSafety.Info

This is now called MountainSafety.Info. The legal framework has not yet been established. The statutes are still being discussed. Founding members are SLF, IFMG, and ICAR. ENSA will only participate with regards to avalanche rescue and the UIAA in collaboration.

The founding members need to retain control and leadership and approve publications. The legal framework has to be established before statutes can be enacted.



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None.

12. Petitions to the Executive Committee

None.

13. Goals/Main Topic 2019

The Terrestrial Rescue Commission will hold the practical meeting in Zakopane. Suggestions for the main topic can be delivered to the office.

14. Miscellaneous

No comments.

End of Meeting: 9 a.m.

The President

Gebhard Barbisch

The Vice-President

Kirk Mauthner

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