

Internal administrative meeting of the Commission for Terrestrial Rescue

Location: Montreux, Schweiz
Date: 13. Oktober 2022
Time: 08:05
Present: Delegates of the Commission for Terrestrial Rescue
Head: Gebhard Barbisch and Kirk Mauthner
Minutes: Fabienne Jelk

1. Welcome

Gebhard Barbisch welcomes all participants to the Internal Administrative Meeting of the Terrestrial Rescue Commission

2. Distribution of Voting Cards

The voting cards are distributed. The representatives of the organizations are asked to come forward and collect the voting cards. A-Members will receive 4 voting cards, B1 Members 2 voting cards, B2-Members 1 voting card.

3. Activities with other Organizations: Forum instead of a List

So far, the organizations that have done an activity in another country during the last year were asked to enter this in a form. Now this is entered in a forum at www.alpine-rescue.org/forum/ . It needs a login to make entries in this forum.

4. List of Delegates

Delegates are asked to check that their details (telephone numbers, contact details and e-mail addresses) in the list are still up to date. The list is sorted by organization name, last name and first name. It is also necessary to check if all delegates of TERCOM are included on the list or if there are

people on the list which are no longer delegates. If not, this must be corrected. If a name is missing, it can be entered at the end of the list.

5. Minute of Silence for Colleagues who have passed (Perhaps a short explanation of the dynamics of the accident)

Andrzej Sokolowski died on 22.09.2022 as a result of an avalanche accident in the Slovak Tatras together with his wife.

If anyone wants to say something about another accident, they are invited to do so now. There are no requests to speak. A minute of silence is held for the deceased comrades.

6. Minutes of Zakopane and the two virtual conferences

The minutes were published on the website. There are no questions about them. The minutes are adopted.

7. Information from ICAR-Board and the Technical Committee

Since Zakopane there have been several board meetings. The following topics were discussed:

- Review of Zakopane and the two virtual conferences.
- AoD 2021, the meeting took place virtually.
- Planning of the congress in Toblach, South Tyrol.
- Mountain Safety Knowledgebase - MountainSafety-Info
- Cooperation ICAR and UIAA: The cooperation exists.
- Growing membership: The membership of ICAR is growing steadily. This needs to be taken into account.
- Internal regulations of the commissions.
- Homepage www.alpine-rescue.org.

Technical Commission Information:

Conferences were held virtually. Quarterly conferences were held to prepare the work in the commission and to work together. A strategy was

being worked on. Details will be announced on Saturday. The program for the meeting here in Montreux was prepared.

8. Informationen von UIAA Safecom

The collaboration with UIAA has been realized. We have a delegate in UIAA Safecom.

There are working groups in the following areas:

- Static Ropes, ICAR is a member of this working group.
- Anchor Welding WG
- Via ferrata sets (for children and lightweight persons)
- Helmets
- Canyoning Harness (Alexis Mallon is the leader of this working group)
- Sharp edges: Addresses the problem of ropes being cut on sharp edges.
- Cable Wire 104 rewording (reformulation)
- 130 LDS - Update There is news from the UIAA.
- Headlamps. These can affect avalanche beacons.
- Top Anchor carabiner. There was an accident with such a carabiner in Germany. The group is investigating the cause.
- Glue in Anchors

If anyone has questions about this, they can contact Gebhard Barbisch.

9. Neue Mitglieder – Bitte eine kurze Präsentation vorbereiten / New members – Please prepare short presentation if possible

If anyone is here now and wants to introduce the organization, they can do so.

New members 2022:

- BSAR – Bristow Search and Rescue (B1)
- DEE-AAAd – Departement of Environment and Energy/Australia Antarctic Division (B1)
- HFS – Heli Flugrettung Südtirol (B2)

- QFES – Queensland Fire and Emergency Services – Australia (B1)
- EPS – Escola Portuguesa de Salvamento SARTEM – Portugal (B2)
- LFB – Landsfelag Foroyisku Bjargingarfelog – Denmark (B2)
- KMRS – Kyrgyz Mountain Rescue Services, Kyrgyzstan (C)
- SEMAM – Sociedad Espaniola de Medicina y Auxilio en Montana – Spain (C)
- JR – Jandarmeria Romana – Romania (C)
- SVC – Seguridad Vertical Capacitaciones SpA – Chile (E)
- UIMLA – Union of International Mountain Leader Association – France (E)
- SSR – Squamish Search and Rescue – Canada (B1)
- MC – Meteomont Carabinieri – Italy (B2)
- MF – Martin Flugrettung, Austria (B2)
- AS – Alpi Secours, Belgium (C)
- OSC – Outdoor Safety Chile – Chile (E)
- WMS – Wilderness Medical Society (E)

New member 2023:

- British Association of Ski Patrollers (E)

10. ICAR Recommendations - Review (Terrestrial Rescue)

A discussion about the recommendation can be started at our forum on www.alpine-rescue.org

- TERCOM Recommendation Nr. 1
Using Connector/Carabiner in Mountain Rescue Organizations
Last revision – 2017 in Soldeu (AND)
No questions, no requests for changes

- TERCOM Recommendation Nr. 2
Rescues on ski slopes and loipes
Issued – 1998 in Obergurgl (A)
No questions, no requests for changes

- TERCOM Recommendation Nr. 3
Canyoning – Training for commercial Guides
Issued – 1999 in Sonthofen (Germany)
No questions, no requests for changes

- TERCOM Recommendation Nr. 4
Rope Connections for Kernmantel Rope Extension
Last Revision – 2017 in Soldeu (AND)
No questions, no requests for changes

- TERCOM Recommendation Nr. 5
Redundancy for Lowering or Raising People with Fiber Ropes
Last Revision – 2017 in Soldeu (AND)
No questions, no requests for changes

- TERCOM Recommendation Nr. 6
Static Rope Brakes
Last Revision – 2014 in Lake Tahoe (USA)
No questions, no requests for changes

- TERCOM Recommendation Nr. 7
Rope Differentiation: Static / Low Stretch / Dynamic Ropes
Last Revision – 2018 Chamonix (F)
No questions, no requests for changes

- TERCOM Recommendation Nr. 8
Winter Rescue Equipment
Last Revision – 2014 in Lake Tahoe (USA)
No questions, no requests for changes

- TERCOM Recommendation Nr. 9
Systems in Mountain Rescue
Last Revision – 2014 in Lake Tahoe (USA)
No questions, no requests for changes

- TERCOM Recommendation Nr. 10
Incident Command Systems (ICS)
Issued - 2021 Virtual Conference Bern
No questions, no requests for changes

If anyone has input later, they can contact Gebhard Barbisch and a time slot will be sought to discuss. Each recommendation will be reviewed this year and discussed next year.

11. Petitions to the Commission

None

12. Petitions to the Board

None

13. Main Topic - 2023 – Proposal

Suggestions can be entered in the forum (www.alpine-rescue.org/forum).
Gebhard Barbisch briefly shows the forum.

The goal should also be discussed during the conference.

14. Verschiedenes / Miscellaneous

14a:

ICAR is a working conference and not a consuming conference. It is important that the delegates participate and not only consume. The own ideas should be brought in.

There are many inactive members. These will be contacted and asked what we can do to make them more active.

The conference is getting bigger and more expensive. Everyone should bring in what their expectations are for the conference..

14b: Future of IKAR:

5 questions are asked to the delegates:

1. What value does ICAR add to me?
2. What do I expect from ICAR?
3. What can I offer to ICAR (provide)?
4. Can ICAR help me to get through difficulties?
5. What can ICAR do for my organization (agency) in the future?

You should discuss these questions here in Montreux. The questions will be posted on the forum. Everyone should post their answers to these questions on the forum. Please enter first the name, the member organization and then the answer.

Martin Gurdet, Austrian Mountain Rescue Service:

Brings up that the app no longer works.

Gebhard Barbisch:

The app and the translators had to be cancelled due to cost. The translators would have cost CHF 30,000. Instead of the app, a Whatsapp group will now be created. Information will be passed on via this group.

End of the meeting: 09.30

President

Vicepresident

Gebhard Barbisch

Kirk Mauthner