MINUTES from the EC+ MEETING

11.3.2023

Present: MP, ES, RL, GH, MH (online), VU

1) IYPT 2023 in Pakistan

Present online: Farida Tahir, Tahir Hussain Khan, Omaiyma Tahir, Muhammad Sultan

Fight rooms:

GPO Campus - Koshar University (walking distance from Hotels and Auditorium) More than 10 rooms available for physics fights

Accommodation:

Faletti's Grand Hotel Murree - Jurors, Visitors and Senior Team Leaders
Lunches and dinners in the dining hall
Hotel Faran Murree - students

Both walking distance from the venues.

→ Excursion:

Waterpark (half-day)

Kashmir point (half-day)

Taxila Museum 25 km from Murree (full day)

Damp

Island / indoor water park

- → Transportation from Islamabad Airport to Murree will be organized by the LOC.
- → The bridge still may be potentially under construction. (?)
- → Opening/closing ceremony & finals in the auditorium.
- → WiFi should be provided in the hotels and in the GPO campus.
- → We will need about 10 SIM cards with data access.
- → Team guides: The LOC promised 2 local persons per team.

In each room 2 fight assistants.

Two local senior members in the office.

→ IOC meeting:

If we stay in Murree RCN campus.

If Islamabad some hotel. -> not yet fixed

Potentially plan a trip for the IOC members, if the IOC meeting would end sooner.

We will have an annual IOC dinner as usual.

MH: Request for invitation letters.

MP: The IYPT CC can generate those.

FT: We will do it via the CC.

MP: Who will sign the letters and how long does it take? Sultan: We will discuss it internally with the university.

Tahir: When do we get access to the data in the CC system?

MP: Soon enough. It could be theoretically done even now.

The deadline for registering students in the CC is one month before the IYPT.

The end of April is the deadline for team registration.

Mid-May - final number of people coming to Murree should be known.

MP: Who will be the partner in the contract? (Who will receive the money?) Three-sided contract: Koshar University, Pakistani innovative young minds & IYPT (E. g. in Georgia, we had a 3-sided contact.)

LOC leaves the meeting

MP: Will an inspection visit be needed?

Discussion...

MP: Maybe come just a few days in advance.

Ask Felix: how to check whether he can run his systems / In the worst-case scenario, we can get SIM cards.

Potential problems in Murree: weak wifi, way too hot -> buy fans

CONCLUSION: It will be enough to come a few days early before the IYPT.

8) Belarus and Russia

a.) Since IYPT is registered in France, our organization is under European sanctions so we can't receive money from Belarus.

CONCLUSION: The EC couldn't find a majority to accept a team from Belarus to come to the IYPT 2023.

- b.) Jurors Decision left for the JC
 - **7) IMO Belarus** Therefore irrelevant for now. Won't be voted on the IOC meeting this year.
 - **6) IMO China** We support the Nankai university, but please confirm to us within a week that you are bringing a team to IYPT 2023.

If you now commit and then fail to bring a team this year it will have hard times next year.

5) Individual EC responsibilities

a.) Problem selection committee members

John - helps only for this year then he retires

Samuel - wants to help out

CONCLUSION: For one year: John Balcombe, Samuel Byland, Ryan Hsiao-Tzu Lin

b.) Disciplinary committee members

Eric will send out a call for people. Deadline: 15.4.2023

Deadline for rules of procedure: End of May

c.) Giorgi: New countries

UAE; Giorgi could endorse Kazakhstan

CONCLUSION for future situations: The endorser must be a past participant or an EC member takes the guarantee for the team.

- **16) Mailing groups: Who should manage them and who can access them? -** Mihaly will write to Tim because he doesn't have full admin rights for the organization.
- 17) Create a cheaper category of visitors, who would act as jurors The EC likes the idea. The category is introduced as "First-time Juror". Participation fee: 500 EUR

15) Organizing international tournaments with the usage of IYPT problems (trademark)

- Are we afraid that some countries will organize their in-person tournament
- Are we afraid of online parallelism?
- a.) Name
- **b.)** The set of problems (not the problems individually)

Ryan will check, how much it costs to register.

CONCLUSION: Any event involving international teams must be priorly approved by the EC.

Note: We own iypt.org and iypt.net

2) New organization - forming, bank account

Where to found the organization? Switzerland or Slovakia? Martin and Eric will agree internally till the end of April.

3) Statutes

- a.) Position of the Honorary President position abolished
- **b.)** Technical year vs. FY financial year: begins on 1.10.
- **c.)** Responsibilities transition after changes in the EC (e.g. treasurer) The EC meeting will take place in October/November. The terms change on 1.10.

Allowed tournament dates: Jun, July, first half of August

d.) Vice President? - no

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3) Statutes - were discussed. A document will be prepared.

4) Change of the rules of the competition

Possible changes for the future were discussed like:

a.) power pairing - First step: In the 5th round apply power pairing. Concretely, the teams who are close to reaching the finals will be in the same fight

If two teams have the same position, we would draw lots.

EXTRA: Motion for the IOC meeting: The presentation that was picked for the 5th round can be repeated in the finals.

b.) change the number of Silver medals - the number of teams fluctuates, let's make it by percentages.

The question is what happens if we have more than 30 teams.

Suggested percentages: (always rounded up)

Gold = top 10 %

Silver = top 25 %

Bronze = top 50 % out of all the participants

And the finalists get a special dedication and the absolute winner gets a certificate

- **c.)** Honorable Mentions We should introduce this concept. The cutting line was agreed to be at 75%.
- d.) 4th team in the finals doesn't make sense anymore. Conclusion: get rid of it

13) Suggestion from Assen: research on how YPT works in different countries

Approved by the EC.

12) Rejections/penalties

The number of rejections was increased to 5, but the penalty stayed the same. Suggestion: Increase the penalty per rejection to the minimum of 0,3. Will be discussed at the next IOC meeting.

14) GIORGI: Alumni group of past successful participants He will contact Felix to get contacts to create an alumni group.

Extra suggestion from MP: In the finals, the jurors will show and justify only the best and worst grades.

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