The World Flying Disc Federation (WFDF) will hold its annual congress on Friday July 30th in Turku, Finland. The congress is held in conjunction with The 2004 World Ultimate and Guts Championships. Competition begins on August 1st and ends on August 7th, 2004.

Congress will commence at 10:00am and is expected to conclude at 6:00pm. The meeting will break for lunch.

ADDITIONAL WORK SESSION
A venue for additional work session time has been scheduled for Saturday 10:00-14.00 at the Scandic Hotel Julia in downtown Turku. The agenda for this session will be made up of subjects that we do not have enough time for at congress.

Congress Location

Sokos Hotel Hamburger Bœrs, Kauppiaiskatu 6, Turku, Finland.
It is in the town centre.

Attendance

WFDF Board of Directors

President - Bill Wright
Treasurer - Juha Jalovaara
Secretary-general - Jonathan Potts
Member - Fumio Morooka
Member - Thomas Griesbaum
Member - Rue Veitl
Member - Tami Pellicane
Member - Todd Demetriades

Apologies

Chair of Ultimate Committee - Dan Engstrom
Member - Kim Godwin
Member - Mila Toleda
Member - Padi O'Neill

WFDF Executive Officers

WFDF Events - Deirdre Abrahamsson
Consultant - Dan Roddick

Apologies
Chair of Ultimate Committee - Dan Engstrom
Regular Members

Australia (AFDA) - Leon Smith (President)
Austria
Belgium (BFDF)
Canada (CUPA) - John Harris (International Liaison) & Alison Fischer (Board Member)
Czech Republic (CFDA)
Denmark
Finland (FFDA) - Juha Jalovaara (President)
France
Germany
Hong Kong
Italy
Japan - Fumio Morooka
Korea
Netherlands (NFB) - Jeroen Pouwels (President)
New Zealand -
Norway
Republic of China (ROCFDA) - Mr Lin (Director) & Michael Hu
Sweden -
Switzerland (SFSF)
Switzerland (SDGA)
UK (UKUA) - Barry O'Kane (President)
UK (BDGA)
USA (UPA) - Kate Bergeron (President) & Sandie Hammerly (Executive Director)
USA (USGPA) - Dave Nesbitt
USA (PDGA) - Dave Nesbitt

Apologies

Mexico
Venezuela (VUA)

Associate Members

Brazil -
Ireland
Russia
Slovak Republic
South Africa (SAFDA)
Spain

Organizational Members

PDGA - Dave Nesbitt (Competition Director)

Provisional Members (non-voting)

BULA -
Colombia
Hungary
Iceland
Indonesia
IGO
Israel
Latvia -
Lithuania
Philippines
Singapore
Tanzania

Apologies

Portugal

**Agenda**

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**Discussion Papers**

The following is to be used as background information on the agenda items as indicated.

**2003 Congress Minutes**

**By-Laws**

The organizations by-laws have been reconstructed from information gathered at the 2002 Congress in Hawaii and from 2001 in Germany. This has taken some time and a considerable amount of work to construct. Since the opportunity is very short for our members to consider these changes we would like you all to review them and submit your final suggestions in a discussion at congress. We will then pick a date that we will finalize the changes. The original by-laws are on this website. The new draft of the by-laws are located at this link. Copies will also be available in your delegate books at congress.

**Communication**

Many country representatives are not involved through the mailing list or do not have the financial means to attend the annual congress, so major decisions in the WFDF are made by a few. How can the WFDF change their structure and method of communication to ensure that decisions are made that truly reflect the community?

**Growth and SOTG**

What will the WFDF do to safeguard the SOTG when embarking on projects that involve mass media? Without a special emphasis on the SOTG, uncontrollable growth will damage the sport.

**Membership approvals**

India - [www.flyingdiscindia.org](http://www.flyingdiscindia.org)

Korea - [www.koreaultimate.com](http://www.koreaultimate.com)
Revamp of Website

Inclusion of Guts on WFDF website, including links to www.gutsfrisbee.com. Total upgrade of WFDF website to reflect its professional world standing as the governing body of disc sports in the international sports community. The overall image of WFDF is diminished by the lack of crispness and vitality in the existing website.

Creation of flying disc promotional video

More active participation of WFDF in a disc sport publicity video presentation, with Guts claiming an active segment in such video. Video to be used by national flying disc associations to obtain formal recognition, sponsorship and general education of public of benefit of disc sports participation.

Integration of non-ultimate sports into WFDF

This because we currently see many development for Ultimate (e.g. the anti-doping rules only mention WUGC and WUCC events) and almost nothing is done with e.g. Disc Golf and Freestyle. Maybe this is because for these sports separate organisations exist, but we would like to know what the future will be. WFDF is after all the umbrella organisation for all flying disc sports.

Creation of strategic plan

Here, in Israel we act like a small WFDF, developing all disc sports. We have a strategic plan for flying disc development in Israel and we have a sub-plan for each event. The plan consist of activities, marketing, finance, stuff etc for each flying disc event. Does the WFDF has something like that? How do we market our sport? What is the best way to get people into the sport? Do we have any core values or a strategic marketing plan?

Communication

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