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## INTERNATIONAL PARACHUTE COMMISSION

### VARSHETS, BULGARIA

#### CANOPY FORMATION COMMITTEE

#### 2014 Annual Report

Throughout the past year Canopy Formation has been vigorously promoted through displays, record attempts, and our premier event the World Parachuting Championships.

On behalf of the Committee I would like to thank and congratulate the Aero Club of Banja Luka for successfully hosting the 16<sup>th</sup> FAI World Canopy Formation Championships in 2014. Participants were generally happy with the facility and smooth running of the events, a testament to the dedication, commitment, and hard work of the team behind the scene.

The Competition Rules provided a sound standard for the World Championships, and further enhancements are recommended in the Agenda.

Chief Judge, Bernard Nicholas, did a commendable job all round. Bernard introduced an innovation which involved a presentation of video standards to the Team Captains meeting pre competition. The presentation gave examples of good video through to non-judgeable video and was received with great interest. It was felt that this innovation gave the teams a better understanding of what constitutes good quality video for the judges to judge.

Opinions were raised regarding the audience viewing area and the slowness of team videos being relayed to the audience. The concern raised was that the delay in transmission and down time between viewings did not promote the excitement of discipline.

The Competitors meeting held at the end of competition saw a robust discussion on the Competition Rules which eventuated in revisiting previous proposals and ideas for new proposals. Details of these are found in the Open Plenary Agenda and Annexes. Teams are encouraged to communicate their proposals and preferences via their IPC Delegate.

There is always a need for future competitions and the committee would like to encourage NACs to consider presenting a bid to host future World Parachuting Championships and World Cup competitions for Canopy Formation.

I would like to conclude by thanking Deputy Chair Rina Gallo, and Committee Members Bernard Nicolas, Henny Wiggers, Pia Bergren, Julia Sotnikova, Marylou Laughlin, Pasi Pirttikoski, and Peter Pfalzgraf for their work throughout the year.

Lindy Rochow-Williams  
Chair Canopy Formation Committee

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## **IPC CANOPY FORMATION COMMITTEE**

### **AGENDA FOR OPEN MEETING**

#### **Varshets, Bulgaria 2015**

##### **1. INTRODUCTION**

##### **2. COMPETITION RULES**

- Proposal to amend section 6.2 – reduced speed viewing.
- Proposal to amend section 2.6 Working Time.
- Proposal to add a definition of “contact”.
- Discussion regarding Discard Round.
- Definition of a “Hook” grip.

##### **3. FUTURE WORLD PARACHUTING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

- 17<sup>th</sup> WPC in Canopy Formation to be included in the 2016 Mondial at Skydive Chicargo, Illinois, USA 09 – 23 September 2016.
- Organisers are invited to present bids for future World Parachuting Championships.

##### **4. OTHER COMPETITIONS**

- Organisers are invited to present bids.

##### **5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- Record Categories

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Chair IPC CF Committee  
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