



EXTRAORDINARY CONGRESS
3rd September 2017
NANJING (CHINA)
10h00

Hotel Hilton Nanjing Riverside
1 Huaibin Rd, Gulou Qu, Nanjing Shi
Jiangsu Sheng, 210011
CHINA

National Federations attending with voting rights:

1. Angola
2. Argentina
3. Australia
4. Austria
5. Belarus
6. Benin
7. Brazil
8. Canada (Inline Hockey)
9. Chile
10. China
11. Chinese Taipei
12. Colombia
13. Croatia
14. Czech Rep.
15. Ecuador
16. Egitto
17. France
18. Germany
19. Guatemala
20. Hong Kong
21. India
22. Iran
23. Israel
24. Italy
25. Ivory Coast
26. Japan

27. Kenya
28. Korea
29. Mexico
30. Mozambique
31. Namibia
32. New Zealand
33. Pakistan
34. Paraguay
35. Poland
36. Portugal
37. Russia
38. Senegal
39. Singapore
40. Slovenia
41. South Africa(Art/Speed)
42. Spain
43. Sweden (Inline Hockey)
44. Switzerland (Art/Speed)
45. Uruguay
46. USA
47. Venezuela

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National Federations attending without voting rights:

1. Georgia
2. Latvia (Skateboard)
3. Russia (Skateboard)

FIRS Executive Board Members attending the 2017 FIRS Extraordinary Congress:

1. Sabatino Aracu - President
2. Ricardo Grin - First Vice President
3. Patricia Wallace - Vice President Oceania Confederation
4. Alberto Herrera Ayala - Vice President Pan American Confederation
5. Guoyong Liu - Vice President Asian Confederation
6. Nathanaël Koty - Vice President African Confederation
7. Fernando Claro - Vice President European Confederation
8. Carmelo Paniagua - Rink Hockey Chairman
9. Jorge Roldán - Speed Chairman
10. Olivier Pascal - Roller Freestyle Chairman
11. Siegfried Ziestler - Roller Alpine and Downhill Chairman
12. Nicola Genchi - Artistic Chairman
13. Alberto Lastrucci - Inline Hockey Chairman
14. Fernando Regueiro - Roller Derby Chairman
15. Eddie Chua - Inline Freestyle Chairman
16. Roberto Marotta - Secretary General
17. Laura Morandi - Vice Secretary General

FIRS Staff

1. Caterina Noto - FIRS General Affairs
2. Alessandra Lunadei - FIRS General Affairs
3. Lina Maria Lizcano - FIRS General Affairs
4. Sergio Sacripanti - FIRS General Affairs
5. Rohit Ramesh - FIRS General Affairs
6. Francesco Zangarini - FIRS Sport Director

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Barcelona Delegation

1. Ramón Basiana
2. Mark Caballé
3. Maria Moltó

Skateboarding Commission

1. Gary Ream
2. Josh Freiedberg
3. Simone Masserini
4. Neil Hendrix

VIP's

1. Luzeng Song- Chinese Olympic Committee - Secretary General
2. Jenny Mann - IOC Head of Sport Partnerships & Coordination
3. Patrick Baumann - President GAISF and IOC Member



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WELCOME SPEECH BY THE PRESIDENT

President Aracu begins his speech by underlining the importance of this Congress, which takes place during the most significant event for Roller Sports: the Roller Games.

He greets all the delegates, the Presidents of National Federations, thanking them for their presence.

He then greets the authorities attending the meeting: the Secretary General of COC; the Head of Sport Partnerships and Co-ordination at IOC Mrs. Jenny Mann; a very special guest, the President of Sportaccord and IOC Member Mr. Patrick Baumann; a delegation of Barcelona WRG 2019 including Mr. Carmelo Paniagua, Mr. Ramón Basiana, the Executive Director Marc Caballé and Mrs. Maria Moltó.

The President underlines how demanding the months preceding the Roller Games have been, and thanks the staff of FIRS for their hard work.

President Aracu recalls that during the Congress held in March, he announced that the International Federation had been included in the Olympic program of Tokyo 2020 with skateboarding; a strong activity continues to be carried out in order to include other disciplines as well.

Many didn't believe it, but the dream has become true: FIRS will be in Buenos Aires for the YOG with Speed Skating. Therefore, in one year FIRS has been included in the Olympic program with two disciplines. There must be the ambition of becoming a great Olympic Federation, and this is the message to be conveyed to the IOC and to all our Federations. In order to do so, a *rebranding* is needed, a product to be sold has to be developed, a name encompassing all the 10 disciplines needs to be identified. Very few Federations are in the position of organizing multi-sport events like the Roller Games. This is the reason why there is the need for a *rebranding*, a more modern name, which however doesn't mean changing the philosophy of the Federation.

President Aracu thanks the Chinese Federation for the outstanding work already done and still carried out in the organization of Roller Games, although some difficulties are still in place, particularly due to transportation and to the position of the hotels that are scattered throughout the city. Unfortunately there isn't a dedicated area in an Olympic Village-style, but on the other hand *Maison de France*, *Casa Italia*, *Casa España* etc. were established.

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The floor then goes to the authorities attending the meeting:

Mr. LUZENG thanks and says he is delighted and honored to attend the meeting, and extends his welcome also on behalf of the entire COC. He underlines the importance that the Chinese Olympic Committee ascribes to the remarkable and rapid development of Roller Sports in China, also thanks to the extensive interest shown by children. He congratulates for the inclusion of Skateboarding in the Olympic Program, a result obtained through joint work and efforts, and hopes that additional disciplines of FIRS may become Olympic in the future. The COC will make every endeavor to develop Roller Sports in China.

Mrs. JENNY MANN thanks the President and greets the authorities attending the meeting; also on behalf of Kit McConnell, she rejoices in the spirit of collaboration shown by Gary Ream. Many Federations carried out a rebranding to make their names more accessible among young people; the *rebranding* of the Roller Sports Federation will certainly give a more modern and international connotation to it. Together with President Bach, she was present at the World Games in Poland during Speed Skating competitions; this discipline will be staged next year in Buenos Aires, and this represents a great opportunity for FIRS. She wishes all the best for the upcoming competitions - which she intends to attend - and for the Congress.

Mr. BAUMANN thanks the President and the Delegates for the invitation to attend this Congress and to participate in the wonderful opening ceremony. He wishes to add a few items in his capacity as



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President of International Federations: he thanks Tokyo for the proposal to include Skateboarding, and FIRS for setting up such an attractive event for the youth together with ISF that is joining FIRS. He believes that FIRS is sailing before the wind, and the time for the other disciplines to become Olympic will certainly come.

He then intends to speak in his capacity as Secretary General of the International Basketball Federation (FIBA). Change is necessary and inevitable, it is enough thinking about how snowboard succeeded in being included in the Olympic program: it was a great struggle, but facts show that it is possible to change; for doing so, it great but feasible ideas are needed. FIRS is a very ancient Federation, but today the opportunity arises to adjust it to the future. Nowadays communication is really fast, many changes are taking place, and it is important to keep up with them. Some decisions have to be taken through a top-down approach, and a continuous flow of information is needed so that National Federations succeed in implementing the activities planned. Mr. Baumann invites all participants to follow the President of FIRS: being part of Tokyo 2020 is a great opportunity, and it is necessary to work hard to remain in the Olympic program. The number of National Federations can certainly be increased, since roller sports are widespread all over the world.

Secretary General MAROTTA takes the floor and notifies the following:

- 47 Countries are attending the Congress
- 173 votes can be cast
- the majority is 87, therefore the quorum is formed.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS CONGRESS

Before giving the floor to the President for his Report, Secretary General Marotta submits the minutes from the previous Congress for approval.

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Voting: approved by unanimous consent.

The following scrutineers are appointed: Mr. Danny Brown, Mr. Norio Iwakata and Mr. Rohit Ramesh. Their appointment is unanimously approved by the members attending the Congress.

REPORT BY THE PRESIDENT

President ARACU takes the floor and states that modernizing also means amending the Statutes. He thanks Mr. Gary Ream and the other members of ISF for their work, and informs the Congress that Mr. Simone Masserini and Mr. Neal Hendrix will go to Tokyo in the next few days to inspect the new venue in which the skateboarding facilities will be established, and which will probably be permanent ones.

As regards Buenos Aires, President Aracu announces that an elevated mobile track will be brought to the heart of the city, and this is intended to happen in future competitions in other cities as well. He also announces that qualifications will take place on the occasion of next year's World Championships in the Netherlands, during which a maximum of one man and one woman per Country will qualify.

The President also mentions the marketing plan and the promotional video concerning the Federation; they will represent a product to be sold all over the world, and for which professionals are needed. The Federation is endowing itself with a Communications Manager, a Marketing Director and a Secretarial Staff.

National Federations are strong if they set up schools: trainers and coaches need therefore to be trained in each discipline. Chairmen need to understand that the future lies in the ability to spread and explain our disciplines.

The change in the name of Continental Confederations does not entail a change in their identities; each Continent will continue to have one's President that - as it presently happens - is also a Vice-

President of FIRS, by sharing the guidelines of the International Federation; but the philosophy is and shall remain the same throughout the entire Federation, because a Continental Championship badly organized is detrimental to the image of all, as it ruins the reputation of our sport. It is possible to sit around the same table and make decisions: World Cup events, World Championships and Continental Championships on alternate years; but everybody must speak the same language. FIRS TV will continue to exist, but web-based National TVs have to be established. They will not represent a financial burden for the Countries, but certainly prove that Countries can be strong with their own products.

Silly rumors were circulated, such as the intention by the President of FIRS to appoint Continental Presidents. This is not true. Continental Presidents will continue to be elected. Every Country has a tradition, and traditions have to be respected.

AMENDMENTS TO THE STATUTES

The Secretary General Roberto Marotta takes the floor and explains the procedures adopted to vote on the amendments to some articles of the Statutes: articles will be read and voted one by one. He asks the scrutineers to stand at the center of the Assembly.

Mr. Marotta recalls that according to the Statutes, any amendments - in order to be approved - need two thirds of votes in favor; having considered that the votes available amount to 173, the two-thirds majority is 114.

The delegate of Colombia takes the floor and states that the two-thirds majority is represented by 116 votes. President Aracu accepts the request made by the Colombian delegate and sets the majority at 116 votes.

ARTICLE 1

Art. 1 The name of the Federation shall be “World Skate”.

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The name “Fédération Internationale Roller Sports” is cancelled and replaced by “World Skate”

Art. 1.3

World Skate is recognized by:

- b) The Association of Summer Olympic International Federations (ASOIF)*
- c) The Association of IOC Recognised International Sports Federations (ARISF)*

The recognition by ASOIF and ARISF is added.

Art. 1.6 The official languages of World Skate are English and Spanish. In case of language discrepancies, the English version shall prevail. For ordinary communications only English will be used.

Future ordinary communications will exclusively be in English. On the occasion of Congresses and in case of extraordinary communications, Spanish as well will be used.

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

President ARACU states that as from that moment FIRS becomes World Skate.



ARTICLE 2

Art.2 e) To adopt an Antidoping Policy in accordance with the current WADA code.

It means adopting the antidoping policy in accordance with WADA provisions

Art.2.3 World Skate requires all its members to adopt an Antidoping Policy in compliance with the current World Skate Antidoping Policy. If there is a conflict between the Antidoping Policy of a National Federation and the World Skate Antidoping Policy then the English version of the World Skate Antidoping Policy will prevail.

Secretary General Marotta reads paragraph 3) stating that in case of conflict between the Antidoping policy of a National Federation and the Antidoping policy of World Skate, the English version of the latter shall prevail.

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

ARTICLE 3

Art. 3.(2) V: An Antidoping Policy compliant with the current WADA Code.

“An antidoping policy compliant with the current WADA Code” is added

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Art. 3.(4) The Statutes and the Regulations of a National Federation or Continental Area shall not be in conflict with those of WORLD SKATE, which shall always prevail.

“Continental Confederation” is replaced by “Continental Area”

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

ARTICLE 4

Art. 4 c

The article *Voting right during World Skate Congresses* is read.

1. In countries with more than one affiliated Federation the membership's right to vote shall be of the Federation that rules more disciplines, in case of a tie the right to vote shall be of the oldest Federation.

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

ARTICLE 7

The wording “ GENERAL AFFAIRS” is cancelled as it is included in “SECRETARY GENERAL”

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

ARTICLE 8

Art. 8.5.

An Agenda, drafted by the President, in his/her discretional order, shall be sent at least two months before the Congress. Only the items included in the agenda shall be discussed, exception made for issues unknown three months before the Congress or occurred after such date. In both cases, new items may be considered only with the consent of at least two-thirds of the votes cast.

The President has the power to change the order of the items in the agenda.

Art.8.6.

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e) The Auditor’s Report is cancelled, as such report is included in the *Financial Report*.

Paragraph h) of Art. 8.6 is cancelled.

m) Items of general interest duly submitted by Member Federations and/or by the Executive Board within 60 days.

The wording “*within 60 days*” is added.

Art.8.9. The quorum shall consist of delegates with voting rights from at least twenty-one (21) nations.

It entirely replaces the former paragraph.

Art.8.10. The Congress approves the Statutes of World Skate.

“*and any related amendments*” is cancelled

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

ARTICLE 9

Art. 9.1. The Official notice of the meeting shall be sent out at least four months before the date set.

Art. 9.3. The issue to be decided shall be included in the agenda drafted by the President, sent out two months before the Congress and no other business shall be discussed.

The deadlines relating to the calling of the Extraordinary Congress and the sending of the agenda are added.

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

ARTICLE 10

Art. 10.2. g) Appoints the Secretary General and the Vice Secretary General

The appointment of the Secretary and Vice Secretary General is added.

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

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ARTICLE 11

Art. 11.3. The constitutive quorum of the Executive Board consists of 5 (five) members, the deliberation quorum consists of the 50% plus 1 of the ones entitled to vote.

Art. 11.4. The Executive Board has the power to establish all the Commissions and Departments deemed necessary for achieving the goals of the International Federation.

Two paragraphs are added, concerning the quorum of the EB and its power to establish Working Committees - if deemed necessary.

Art. 11.5.

Following the name change into World Skate, Continental Acronyms disappear and are replaced by the following names:

- *WORLD SKATE AFRICA*
- *WORLD SKATE EUROPE*
- *WORLD SKATE ASIA*
- *WORLD SKATE OCEANIA*
- *WORLD SKATE AMERICA*



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Art.11.9.

The article relating to the election of Continental Presidents and the appointment of a Commissioner in those Continents with less than 5 member Federations is read with the amendments introduced:

(9)The five Continental Vice-Presidents shall be elected by the Representatives of the countries of the corresponding Continental Geographic Area every four years. For the election to take place, each Confederation Area shall include at least five (5) member Federations, that have attended at least one World Championship in the last two years. If such number is not reached, the Executive Board of World Skate may appoint a commissioner.

This Commissioner will have the same responsibilities as the World Skate Vice President and shall permanently attend the Executive Board, representing the Continental Area he/she chairs.

Art.11.10.

Art. 11.10 is read in its entirety with the specifications introduced, and is put to the vote.

(10) The World Skate Executive Board shall supervise the legitimacy and correctness under which Continental Assemblies are held, and it may also declare its lapse in case of severe and evident irregularities.

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A clarification is requested on article 11.4, stating that the Executive Board may establish Commissions with a view to achieving the goals of the International Federation:

(4) The Executive Board has the power to establish all the Commissions and Departments deemed necessary for achieving the goals of the International Federation.

A question is asked on whether the Commissions eventually appointed by the Executive Board shall only deal with the International Federation or with National Federations as well.

Secretary General Marotta answers that such Commissions shall have the task of promoting initiatives deemed necessary for sports promotion internationally.

President Aracu adds that individual Countries may be inspired by these models, but World Skate is an international Federation and does not intervene in single Countries.

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

ARTICLE 12

Art 12.3 The name of FIRS is replaced by World Skate

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

ARTICLE 13

Art. 13 The name of FIRS is replaced by World Skate

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

ARTICLE 18

Art. 18.2. *If no candidate achieves the support letters required within the period set, anyone can submit his/her candidacy if supported by his/her National Federation, within 24 hours before the date set for the Congress.*

In case no candidate receives the support letters requested, anyone may submit his/her candidacy through the support of one's National Federation.

The Brazilian delegate, Mr. Moacyr Neuenschwander, takes the floor and states that with this article a step back is made, as support letters were not needed in the past. He asks for clarifications about the reasons why this paragraph is added.

Secretary General MAROTTA answers by recalling that the article requiring support letters in case of candidacy as President and First Vice President was already part of the Statutes. The only change is the addition of the clause stating that in case nobody owns such requirements, any delegate may - within 24 hours before the date set for the Congress - submit his or her candidacy through the support of one's National Federation.

Mr. Moacyr Neuenschwander replies that such situation never took place in the past, and Secretary General Marotta replies that such situation is unprecedented because in the past 10 support letters were not needed in order to submit a candidacy. Now that such obligation is in place, it is not possible to run the risk of not having any candidate in an Elective Congress.

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VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

ARTICLE 20

Art. 20.3. *All the modifications proposed shall be sent to WORLD SKATE members two months before the Ordinary and Extraordinary Congress by the Secretary General, together with the agenda of the Congress.*

"Extraordinary Congress" is added.

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

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ARTICLE 21

Art.21.1. The word “Committee” is changed into “Commission”

Art.21.3. *If a Technical Commission governs more than one discipline or if the discipline becomes Olympic the number of its members can be increased.*

Each Commission includes 5 members, but in the case of an Olympic discipline, or for other eventual reasons, the number of its members may be increased.

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

ARTICLE 23

Art. 23.2. b) *Organization fees of international events.*

Letter b) concerning organization fees is added as a revenue for World Skate.

Art. 23.2 e) *Sale of television, WEB and any other Media rights as well as other WORLD SKATE rights*

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Besides TV rights, also WEB and other MEDIA rights can be sold.

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

ARTICLE 24

Art. 24 is entirely read as it replaces the previous one.

Article 24 - Continental Areas

(1) *WORLD SKATE recognizes the following continental areas:*

AFRICA - AMERICA - ASIA - EUROPE - OCEANIA

(2) *WORLD SKATE recognizes their territorial authority not as single external bodies, but as WORLD SKATE bodies with continental representing powers on behalf of WORLD SKATE itself.*

WORLD SKATE monitors, under its own control and vigilance, the Continental Areas' comply with the WORLD SKATE Statutes, By Laws and any other regulation, jointly with the chance to adopt appropriate measures according to every violation;



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- (3) *The governance of Continental Areas shall comply with the WORLD SKATE policy and all the proposed rules and regulations shall be submitted to the Executive Board of WORLD SKATE for approval. Any subsequent change shall be approved in advance by the Executive Board.*
- (4) *The Technical Rules of WORLD SKATE disciplines issued by Continental Areas shall be in line with the rules issued by International Technical Commissions.*
- (5) *The President of a Continental Area is liable before the WORLD SKATE Executive Board for the management of their Area, in accordance with the approved rules and regulations.*
- (6) *A report on the activities of the Continental Area, including the International events calendar, shall be sent by its President to WORLD SKATE on an annual basis. The International events of a Continental Area will be discussed and approved by the Executive Board of WORLD SKATE.*
- (7) *All the Members Federations of WORLD SKATE shall be entitled to be members of their Continental Area after fulfilling all financial obligations.*
- (8) *Duties and responsibilities of Continental Areas:*
 - a) *To assist WORLD SKATE to achieve its objectives within its territorial area.*
 - b) *To organize Continental Championships under the rules of WORLD SKATE Technical Commissions.*
 - c) *To provide any possible supports for the development of Member Federations within their area.*
 - d) *To accept members already recognized by WORLD SKATE in the Continental Area (with the approval of the Executive Board) outside of one's geographical area.*
 - e) *Federations not recognized by WORLD SKATE cannot in any case be recognized by the Continental Areas.*

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The Indian delegate asks to replace in paragraph 8 c) the word “any” with the word “all”. The proposal is accepted.

VOTING

VOTES AGAINST: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

Approved by unanimous consent

After reading the articles of the Statutes, the Secretary General puts to the vote the entire Statutes, which are unanimously approved.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Affiliation of new Federations:

Greece
Georgia skateboarding
Russia Skateboarding
Cayman Islands,
Burkina Faso
Ireland Artistic

All these Federations are unanimously ratified.

President ARACU thanks the new Countries for their affiliation, and underlines that other Countries submitted their applications, and others will follow. He thanks once again for approving the amendments to the Statutes.

President Aracu gives the floor to the delegation of Barcelona WRG 2019.

(Presentation with slides)

Ramón Basiana expresses his gratitude for having the chance to present this important event. The organization of 11 World Championships within the same event is an unbelievable challenge that Barcelona meets with pleasure and enthusiasm: it is estimated that more than 4,000 athletes will participate in competitions and 120,000 people will attend the event.

Total transparency in the organization will be guaranteed, financial resources will be used wisely, and full sustainability will be provided through the promotion of Roller Games not only in Barcelona but also in the entire Cataluña and Spain. The legacy of this edition of the Roller Games will translate into a more extensive practice of roller sports: better venues, a further growth in the entire sector, and additional training activities for the future.

The passion for Roller Sports will continue to grow in Barcelona. A Roller Sports Council has been established, and it will provide further support in organizing the event. Facilities comply with the highest standards available; 75% of them were established on the occasion of the 1992 Olympic games. The floor goes to the Executive Director Marc Caballé for additional details.

Mr. Caballé thanks all the participants and says that in order to face such a challenge, a team of highly skilled professionals was established. At present such team includes 20 people, but this number will gradually increase until reaching 70 staff members, in addition to several volunteers. The goal has been set to strengthen the relationship between the Chairmen of Technical Commissions and the persons in charge of each single discipline in Barcelona. The Roller Games will be held from 5th to 14th July 2019; during such period, no other sports events will be held in Barcelona. The criterion of the highest concentration of sports facilities was adopted. In the next few weeks, agreements will be signed with the municipality of Barcelona for the construction of some of the missing venues. A Services Company will be in charge of the several organizational aspects, and a dedicated travel agency will be at the disposal of those interested.

Mr. Paniagua expresses his gratitude in his capacity as Chairman of the Organizing Committee. He thanks the team that has been working for two years on the project presented by Mr. Ramón Basiana and Mr. Marc Caballé. Barcelona becomes the capital of Roller Sports.

Mr. Paniagua thanks Nanjing for organizing the first Roller Games. It is not possible to make comparisons between Nanjing and Barcelona, as they have two completely different connotations and belong to two completely different cultures. The entire city of Barcelona will be involved; several *urban games* will take place, as this sport is successful in the streets. All institutions will be

involved. Mr. Paniagua hopes that Buenos Aires becomes the candidate city for the 2021 edition, and says he is at their disposal in case they need information and materials. He closes his contribution by inviting everybody to Barcelona 2019.

Mr. Marotta gives the floor to the delegates of India and Pakistan, who warmly thank President Aracu and Secretary General Marotta for the wonderful organization of the Congress.

The President of the Argentinian Federation Mr. Daniel Ventura takes the floor, and recalls the moments of the past in which these projects were only ideas, whereas now they all turned into reality; this has to make everyone feel proud of being part of this Federation. He congratulates everyone for the extraordinary work carried out, and for taking the Federation to the Olympics.

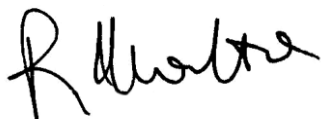
The Polish delegate, Mr. Bartos Pisarek, recalls that the World Games were organized in Poland, and wishes to thank all those who participated in the event, those who visited Poland, the Chairmen of Technical Commissions, and the staff of FIRS for collaborating with the organizers.

Secretary General Marotta greets all the delegates and thanks them for their commitment and contribution.

President ARACU thanks participants for the extraordinary result achieved, for the Roller Games that are taking place, and greets the special guests who attended the Congress. The name of the Federation was changed with great courage; the *rebranding* will need a few months to be developed, approved by the Executive Board, and sent to everyone.

The Congress ends at 12:50 PM.

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Roberto Marotta
The Secretary General



Sabatino Aracu
The President



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