



# **IDC CONGRESS**

**Tapioszentmarton Hungary** 

07. September 2019 -10:00h

# **Meeting minutes**

# 1. Opening of the IDC Congress 2019 at 10:00 a.m. and welcome of those present by the IDC President.

Mr. Wiblishauser warmly welcomes all delegates and would like to thank them for attending the IDC Congress 2019 and especially his colleagues from the IDC Presidium for their work during the past year. He thanks - also on behalf of all member countries - the Dobermann-Club Hungary, led by the President Mr. Tamas Dohoczki , for the months of preparation and this year's realization of the IDC Days and the Congress. He asks him to convey his thanks to the whole team. Many times Hungary has organized the IDC Days as well as the IDC World Championships under competent and committed leadership. The IDC President then reports that there were no deceases last year, but asks those present to observe a minute's silence in memory of all deceased IDC members. The participants rise from the seats and pay tribute to the deceased.

# 2. Determination of the countries present and the votes represented according to the attendance list:

Mrs. Torfs reads the attendants who have registered in the presence list and announces that 26 voting member countries are present. She further points out that only those delegates will be admitted to the IDC Congress who have registered in due time with the form and paid their dues. The following persons are admitted to the Congress per country: 1 delegate from the Board of the Club and from the respective member country, with 1 accompanying person (according to registration).

#### 3. Protocol of the IDC 2018 in Slovakia (approval):

The 2018 minutes of the IDC Congress in Slovakia were sent to all member countries by e-mail and adopted unanimously (without abstention).

#### 4. Secretariat: Mrs Evi Torfs

Mrs. Evi Torfs would like to thank her colleagues from the IDC Presidium for their support and trust in the past year, especially Roland Beunekens for the always good cooperation and support!

She would also like to thank the delegates of the IDC for the positive reactions and feedback. She is looking forward to a continued good cooperation.

4.1 Almost all countries have completed and returned their participation forms. This form will help us to prepare for the Congress and will keep your contact details up to date. It is important to note, however, that from 2020 onwards there will be no delegates admitted who are not from the respective IDC member country and its Board. This will also be where the relevant access controls will be carried out. I would remind you that our communication will be sent to the presidents of each member country. It is therefore necessary to have the correct e-mail address at all times.





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4.2 Our member country Brazil has applied to change its membership from Dobermann Club Sao Paulo to CBRD (Brazilian Dobermann Breed Council). Due to changes in the cynological landscape in Brazil, the Dobermann Club of Sao Paulo has been dissolved. If there are any questions about this change, we are sure that Mrs. Gris Goncalves will be happy to answer them.

There are no questions. The amendment is adopted unanimously (without abstention).

### 5. Cash report / IDC finances: Mr Roland Beunekens

Mr. Beunekens reports on the income and expenses in his cash report and gives insight into the cash documents. The discharge of the IDC Presidium was unanimous.

Also after several appeals at each congress, no delegate registered this time to see the cash report. It is to be pointed out again that each member country has the possibility to examine the finances. This after registration and in order to save costs, on the day before the congress.

Accounts receivable on 31.08: Russia and Israel. According to these country delegates it is not possible to make a bank transfer. Mr Beunekens points out that international payments have existed for years. In special cases it is also possible to pay the contribution one year in advance. The annual fee is € 150.00/per association + € 0.75/per association member and must be paid on the basis of the actual number of members. Currently there are no outstanding contributions for the year 2019.

### 6. IDC Mitgliedschaft

#### New admissions, applications: Canada + Albania

There are two applications for admission as IDC member countries. All applicant countries are represented by the country presidents or their delegates. Mr. Beunekens asks those present to briefly introduce themselves.

After the presentation, Mr. Wiblishauser asks the delegates to vote for admission. The election results:

- 1. Canada: Provisional admission unanimous (without abstention)
- 2. Albania: Provisional admission unanimous (without abstention)

The IDC President thanked the IDC member countries for their agreement, warmly welcomed the two new IDC members, looked forward to constructive cooperation, and wished them every success.

Scotland and Turkey are now officially accepted as members of the IDC after a two-year probationary period. (Azerbaijan was unfortunately not represented).





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7. Annuel report of the IDC President: - Hr. Hans Wiblishauser - Report in annex

**8. Annuel report of the IDC breeding warden:** - Hr. Norbert Daube – Report in annex

9. Annuel report of the IDC working trials warden: - Hr. Willi Cohnen – Report in annex

#### 10. Proposals & Topics:

In 2017 it was announced that as of 01.01.2020 only dogs whose parents can prove a "German" ZTP and a BH (companion dog test) can start at the ZTP (so far the HD proof of both parents was sufficient). This new regulation from 2020 was developed from the knowledge that in many countries - due to the lack of necessary controls - Doberman dogs are bred for which, for example, one parent of a ZTP was assessed as "unfit for breeding". It was noticed that offspring of dogs assessed as "unfit for breeding" (= not approved for breeding) are again registered for a ZTP, since so far only the HD evaluation of the parent animals has to be submitted as proof for the registration for a ZTP. In order to maintain the health of our breed and the quality of the Dobermann breeding, it is indispensable to take these measures and to enable an internationally uniform control for the breeding.

3 countries have asked for this decision to be suspended. These member countries justify their wishes with the following arguments:

A: Israël - wishes an extension until the end of 2022, as the last ZTP took place there in 2017 and the implementation is difficult.

B: Greece: wants an extension for 3 years. The last ZTP took place in 2009.

C: Italy fears a drastic reduction in genetic variability. Difficulties are feared for dog owners from countries that carry out fewer ZTP's, as well as for the national Dobermann clubs, where the Kennel clubs set the standards. Italy wants the recognition of national breeding certificates.

The different positions of the member countries are discussed. There would be large problems with the national Kennel clubs, which do not approve a conversion of the ZTP changes.

The IDC Presidium assesses the arguments put forward:

A: Since Israël, as a small country with relatively few participants, can only carry out ZTP's sporadically, the regulation of the "newly added member states" could take effect for the time being (ZTP start if HD can be proved for both parents).

B: Like A, if one ZTP is carried out per year in the future. An exception for the HD evaluations has already been made here (German expert).

C: a) A "reduction of the genetic variability" takes place - if at all at present only in Germany - because there already the BH and the ZTP are obligatory in the demanded way as breeding requirements and have been carried out for years. In all other countries it is also possible to breed without proof of ZTP.





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- b) For such affected countries, exemptions such as Israël, Greece, could be granted under application/reasons. However, this cannot be applied on a flat-rate basis for all countries.
- (c) Kennel clubs do not require ZTP as a condition for breeding Dobermann. Difficulties are not apparent. In this respect a ZTP is an offer for the members of the Dobermann clubs. Also no increased risk of DCM disease is to be expected. Then Germany would be extremely affected, about which there are no numbers and proofs. Particularly the ZTP with the corresponding controls can possibly minimize this disease in the future. According to Mr. Polifrone, especially in Italy all breeding dogs are tested for DCM by the ENCI. The ZTP would not change anything.

After the introduction of the new regulations for 2017, also all dogs should submit a companion dog test / BH from the own country for the ZTP, as it contains the ZTP order. Italy has already received an exemption until 31.12.2019 to settle this matter with the ENCI. (The BH is demanded anyway for the IGP by the FCI). Italy has not yet sent any feedback to the IDC. In addition, the IDC member countries have already agreed several times to send the national stud book to the IDC every year. Unfortunately, no such documents have been sent yet.

The IDC Presidium proposes to postpone the date for the following ZTP amendments:

"Puppies born before 31.12.2021, of which only one parent has ZTP, can carry out the ZTP according to the rules in force so far". During the vote this proposal is not supported by the majority and is rejected.

Then it is proposed and unanimously decided to postpone the measure to the next congress in 2020 and then to decide. Until then, the current regulation will apply:

ZTP start with HD proof of both parents according to ZTP regulations. The IDC Presidium is open to further discussion on this issue. However, the decisions taken here in Congress should then also be implemented, e.g. submission of the annual stud books, in order to obtain statistical figures on our international Dobermann population and genetic diversity. Because a healthy, vital and sporty Doberman is our common concern.

The members agree to negotiate once more with their kennel clubs, then to submit their comments and proposals in writing to the IDC Secretariat (evitorfs.idc@gmail.com) by August 1, 2020. Proposals submitted later will not be considered.

It goes without saying that the IDC Executive Committee is endeavouring to support all countries and has again postponed this regulation for the time being for 1 year until 31 December 2020. This postponement means that until January 2021 all dogs can still participate in a ZTP which comply with the ZTP regulations and submit a correspondingly valid HD evaluation of both parent animals with the registration.





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The IDC presidium explained the events at the IDC show in Slovakia 2018. An exhibitor attacked and insulted a judge, a police operation was necessary, the event had to be interrupted for a long time. This caused considerable damage to both the organizer and the participants and violated all FCI exhibition rules. Therefore, the IDC Presidium has requested that exhibitors who violate the exhibition rules be banned from exhibiting at the IDC. Persons banned from exhibiting will be notified in writing to the future organizers. In this case it is a matter of: Darmati Sasa

#### The vote is unanimous

#### 11. Determination of the venues for IDC events:

- 11.1 2020 IDC WM, Italy
- 11.2 2020 IDC Congress / Show, Kroatia
- 11.3 2021 IDC WM, Belgium
- 11.4 2021 IDC Congress / Show, Slovakia
- 11.5 2022 IDC WM + Congress / Show, The Netherlands
- 11.6 2023 IDC WM Poland
- 11.7 2023 IDC Congress / Show, Italy
- 11.8 2024 IDC WM + Congress / Show, Denmark

It is unanimously decided that from 2022 the IDC World Championship will take place on the first weekend in May and IDC Congress and IDC Show on the first weekend in September. This allows better planning for the organizers.

#### 12. Various:

- 1. The representative of SDN (Netherlands) announces that the two Dutch clubs (SDN and DVIN) will work together to organise the IDC World Championship and Show in 2021.
- 2. UKDA (England) presents his team and the successes already achieved. They ask the IDC Presidium to adapt the rules for participation in the IDC World Championships as follows: "Obligatory for qualification to accept participation in a national championship". Since not every country has the possibility to organize or conduct national championships, an amendment to the existing regulations is rejected.





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3. Mr Beunekens also asked the OAL for an urgent solution to the problems between clubs in England. "We regularly receive e-mails from various parties, but we cannot intervene because of the national problems". He asked the OAL to contact him in order to solve the problems and report on the results.

#### 13. IDC President's closing word: Mr. Hans Wiblishauser

Since there are no further questions, Mr. Wiblishauser would like to thank everyone for their participation and lively discussion.

He expressed his thanks for the long journeys and wished all participants particularly successful, unforgettable IDC Days 2019 and invited the members to the adjoining buffet.

The IDC Congress 2019 ended at 14:00.

Date meeting minutes: 13/11/2019

Evi Torfs - IDC Secretary





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### Confirmation of countries present and votes represented:

Belgium: Roland Beunekens

Brasil: Gris Goncalves – Luciano Nogveira

Croatia: Miroslav Bedecovic

Czech MDSK: Jan Ruzicka

Denmark: Hans Jorn Bentsen - Hanne Lundahl

Germany: Hans Wiblishauser, Thomas Becht

Finland: Petra Parvaiien Tohmo

France DCF: Richard Bredin - Didier Tachain

Greece: Vassilis Kounelas – Eleni Tsepopoulou

Holland DVIN: Joke Havik

Holland SDN: Albert Verhoef - Tanja van Ingen

Hungary: Tamas Dohoczki

IDC-Board: Hans Wiblishauser, Roland Beunekens, Evi Torfs, Norbert Daube,

Willi Cohnen

Israel: Yossi Grados

Italy: Attilio Polifrone - Bricci Barbara

Ireland: Dean Spires

Latvia: Andrejs Petrovskis

Mexico: Thorsten Chutch – Graciela Valdes

Norway: Lisbet Karlsen – Bente Line Nordtveit





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Austria ODK: Mathilde Mayerhofer - Nina Nahm

Poland: Joanna Furman - Dominika Hucal

Portugal: Serguei Gluhu

Scotland: Dean Banks – Ruth Robinson

Slovenia: Simon Baranja – Jordan Hristovski

Sweden: Madlen Steen – Jonas Olsson

UKDA: Mark Wells – Monika Katonova

USA-UDC: Doug Matson

Present but no voting rights (These countries are waiting for full membership):

**Canada: Anthony Hartelaub** 

Albania: Arturo Verzeroli