



Minutes of the FMJD Executive Council meeting

FMJD Protocol Number: 28/08/2026

Teams Meeting, Friday, August 28th 2026, 13:00 P.M. Lausanne time

With the presence of **Janek Mäggi** President, **Carlo Bordini** International Relations, **Jan van Dijk** Secretary General, **Jean Marc Ndjofang** Chairman of Players Committee, **Lyublyana Turiy** Tournament Director, **Magda Pawłowska** Tournament Director (Y), **Aare Harak** Executive Director FMJD, **Clifton Agata** President of the Pan- American Draughts Confederation, **Oumar Thiero** President of African Draughts Confederation, **Bat-Erdene Chimeddorj** Acting President of Asian Confederation, **Salem Hameed Al-Azmi**, Kuwait Mind Sports Association (invited for the point 8.2), **Richard Przewozniak** the FMJD Board Adviser, **Vitalia Doumesh** Office Manager

1. Opening of the Meeting and Approval of Agenda

The meeting was opened by the FMJD President, Janek Mäggi, who welcomed the members of the Executive Council.

The Agenda was unanimously approved.

2. Approval of New FMJD Titles

- **Presenter / Responsible:** Lyublyana Turiy (Tournament Director) / Vitalia Doumesh (FMJD Office)
- **Description:** Review and approval of the submissions for new international draughts titles.
- **Proposal for Resolution:** To approve the submitted list of new FMJD title recipients.

12468 1482 mf Jesse Bos
17816 1480 mf Choisureen Burmaa
20043 1477 gmi Simon Harmsma
29103 1476 cmf Padji Jaden
12815 1475 cmff Munkhtuya Nasanbayar

Titles were unanimously approved.

3. Electronic Voting following the 2026 General Assembly

- **Presenter / Responsible:** Janek Maggi / Jan van Dijk / Carlo Bordini / Magda Pawłowska
- **Description:** To define the scope and timetable of the electronic voting procedure for the matters left unresolved by the 2026 General Assembly.
- **Proposal for Resolution:** The Executive Council decides to proceed with the electronic voting procedure for all matters left unresolved by the 2026 General Assembly. The Executive Council further decides that all proposed amendments relating to the Handbooks shall be excluded from the current electronic voting process and considered as part of the comprehensive review and harmonisation of the Handbooks to be prepared for the 2027 General Assembly.

The Executive Council approved the proposal. Jan van Dijk and Carlo Bordini presented and explained the proposal, which had been developed during a meeting of the FMJD EC working group in Tallinn.

4. Establishment of Drafting Groups

- **Presenter / Responsible:** Janek Maggi / Jan van Dijk / Carlo Bordini / Magda Pawlowska
- **Description:** To establish two Drafting Groups to prepare proposals for the 2027 General Assembly.
- **Proposal for Resolution:** The Executive Council establishes the following Drafting Groups:

A. Statutes and Internal Regulations Drafting Group

Members: Jan van Dijk, Aare Harak, Carlo Bordini

The Group may seek the voluntary advice of a person with recognised expertise in sports law.

Its mandate is to prepare draft revisions of the FMJD Statutes and Internal Regulations, preserving their current structure and objectives while making them clearer, more coherent, more flexible and better suited to supporting the growth and development of FMJD.

B. Annexes Drafting Group

Members: Frank Teer, Wouter Morssink, Johan Demasure, Magda Pawlowska

Its mandate is to review and harmonise the FMJD Annexes and Handbooks, preserving their objectives while improving their clarity, consistency, flexibility and practical application.

Both Drafting Groups shall submit their proposals to the Executive Council in due time for submission to the 2027 General Assembly.

The Executive Council approved the proposal to establish two Drafting Groups. The Groups will work on the preparation and harmonisation of the relevant FMJD documents for submission to the 2027 General Assembly.

5. Completion of the Ethics Committee

- **Presenter / Responsible:** Janek Maggi / Jan van Dijk / Carlo Bordini / Magda Pawlowska
- **Description:** To complete the composition of the Ethics Committee.
- **Proposal for Resolution:** The Executive Council agrees to propose the appointment of **Mr Carlo Rombolà**, Sports Lawyer, and **Mr Bart Stageman** as additional members of the FMJD Ethics Committee, subject to approval by the 2027 General Assembly. Both candidates have confirmed their willingness to serve.

The proposal was approved

6. FMJD Annual Work Programme

- **Presenter / Responsible:** FMJD Management
- **Description:** To introduce an annual planning process for the activities of FMJD.
- **Proposal for Resolution:** The Executive Council requests the President and the Executive Director to prepare an **FMJD Annual Work Programme**, taking into account the strategic priorities agreed by the Executive Council and the financial resources available.
The Work Programme shall identify:
 - the Federation's strategic priorities;
 - the main activities to be carried out;
 - the persons responsible for each activity;
 - an indicative timetable;

- the available budget and resources, together with any proposals for their allocation where appropriate.

The draft Work Programme shall be presented to the Executive Council for discussion and approval.

The Executive Council approved the proposal to introduce an FMJD Annual Work Programme.

7. Marketing Officer (input of President FMJD: if applicable / if we have the person)

- **Presenter / Responsible:** Janek Maggi / Jan van Dijk / Carlo Bordini / Magda Pawlowska
- **Description:** To strengthen FMJD's communication, promotion and development activities through the appointment of a Marketing Officer.
- **Proposal for Resolution:** The Executive Council appoints ...Name and Surname... as FMJD Marketing Officer.
The Marketing Officer shall be responsible for supporting the promotion of FMJD, enhancing its visibility and external communication, developing marketing initiatives and sponsorship opportunities, and carrying out any other tasks assigned by the Executive Council or the President.

The proposal was discussed and it was decided to establish the position of FMJD Marketing Officer. It was also decided to send a letter to the FMJD member federations, outlining this initiative and expressing FMJD's openness to their input and suggestions.

8. Correspondence received by the FMJD requiring a response

- **Presenter:** Vitalia Doumesh (FMJD Office)
Responsible: FMJD Executive Council (EC)
- **Description:** Review and respond to the letters received by the FMJD
- **Proposal for Resolution:** Discuss and agree on the responses to be prepared by the FMJD Executive Council

1) Letter of the LDF to the FMJD Executive Council, EDC Board and national federations, dated 4 August 2026;

The Executive Council reviewed the letter and took note of its contents.

2) Letter from Salem Hameed Alazmi, State of Kuwait, Kuwait Mind Sports Association, dated 6 August 2026

"Application for the Position of President of the FMJD Turkish Draughts Section";

The letter was discussed. Salem introduced himself and explained his position and request regarding the Turkish Draughts Section. He also submitted his CV and informed the Executive Council that the Kuwait Mind Sports Association will organise the Kuwait International Championship for Turkish Draughts in Kuwait from 10 to 13 December 2026.

Bat, Acting President of the Asian Draughts Confederation, explained that Salem and the Kuwait Mind Sports Association organise Turkish draughts tournaments and that Salem has participated several times in tournaments organised by the Asian Draughts Confederation.

The Executive Council decided to appoint Salem Hameed Alazmi as President of the FMJD Turkish Draughts Section on an acting basis for one year. After this one-year period, his appointment will be reviewed and considered for final approval.

3) Letter from Heorhi Vydzerka, dated 7 August 2026;

The letter was discussed. The Executive Council decided, due to the special circumstances Heorhi Vydzerka is facing, to allow him to take part in all FMJD events under the FMJD flag.

4) Letter from The Draughts Federation of the Republic of Kazakhstan, dated 13 August 2026;

The letter from the Draughts Federation of the Republic of Kazakhstan was discussed. Jan van Dijk, Secretary General, will prepare and send a response.

5) Letter from Vaidas Stasytis, Chairman of FMJD Ethics Committee, dated 19 August 2026;

The letter from Vaidas Stasytis, Chairman of the FMJD Ethics Committee, was discussed. Jan van Dijk will prepare and send a letter to the Ethics Committee.

9. FMJD Calender

- **Presenter / Responsible:** Lyublyana Turiy (Tournament Director) / Magda Pawlowska (Tournament Director Youth) / Jan van Dijk (Secretary General)
- **Description:** Review applications received from federations to organize FMJD tournaments in 2027 and 2028
- **Proposal for Resolution:** Review the applications and decide which federations will be awarded the organization of the respective 2027 and 2028 tournaments.

The discussion of this item was postponed to the EC meeting of 25 September 2026.

10. Invoice and Payment Processing

- **Presenter / Responsible:** Alexander Presman (FMJD Webmaster) / Vitalia Doumesh (FMJD Office)
- **Description:** Review of the incorrect processing of invoices and payments, which is causing accounting problems for the FMJD. The established procedure for processing invoices and payments has been in place for a long time and is explained in an existing video instruction, but it is not being followed. As a result, payments that are not properly recorded in the accounting system are accumulating on the Creditors account, resulting in a significant outstanding balance.
- **Proposal for Resolution:** Ensure that the established procedure for processing invoices and payments is followed and take the necessary steps to properly record the outstanding payments and resolve the balance on the Creditors account.

The Executive Director, Aare Harak, will investigate this issue, as well as related issues concerning the FMJD payment system, and report back to the Executive Council at the next EC meeting on 25 September 2026.

11. Proposal to Rename 64 Russian Draughts as "Shashki"

- **Presenter / Responsible:** Alexander Presman (FMJD Webmaster)
- **Description:** Proposal to use "Shaski" as the new name for 64 Russian draughts.
- **Proposal for Resolution:** Discuss the proposal and determine whether it should be submitted for e-voting by the FMJD Member Federations and/or for final approval by the General Assembly.

The proposal is postponed.

Bat noted that, before changing the name of the draughts type on the FMJD website, the structure of the 64 Classic and Brazilian Section should first be discussed and decided.

It was also noted that a candidate from Jamaica has applied for the position of Head of the 64 Classic and Brazilian Section.

12. Review of Existing Sponsorship Agreement

- **Presenter:** Alexander Presman (FMJD Webmaster) / Vitalia Doumesh (FMJD Office)
Responsible: FMJD Executive Council (EC)
- **Description:** Review of an existing sponsorship agreement concluded by the previous FMJD Board. The agreement is unclear as to whether the €30,000 sponsorship amount was intended as a one-time payment or as an annual payment of €30,000 over several years.
- **Proposal for Resolution:** Discuss the appropriate approach, including contacting the sponsor to clarify the terms of the agreement and/or issuing an invoice in accordance with the agreed sponsorship terms.

The Executive Council will consider how to handle the sponsorship agreement and decide on the appropriate course of action.

13. Any Other Business (AOB) & Info: Next EC Meeting

- **Presenter / Responsible:** Janek Mäggi (President) / FMJD Board
- **Description:** Announcement regarding the next EC meeting and any other matters arising.

The Executive Council was informed by Oumar Thiero, President of the African Draughts Confederation, that Ethiopia is interested in organising the African Championship in Addis Ababa in 2026, but would require substantial support. He stressed the importance of the African Championship as a qualifying event for the World Championship and noted that the previously planned African Championship had been cancelled.

Janek Mäggi thanked Oumar for the information and informed him that he could contact Janek directly should support be needed. It was suggested that the matter be discussed further at the next EC meeting, scheduled for 25 September 2026.

The Executive Council took note of both announcements.
The FMJD President closed the meeting.

**The next EC FMJD meetings will take place on
September 25th at 1:00 PM Lausanne time.**



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