9:30-10:00

Welcome and opening remarks

The ETU President, Renato Bertrandì (RB), welcomed all delegates to the Extraordinary Congress at 9:30.

Kathleen Smet (KS), the ETU Secretary General, read the names of the 29 National Federations present. All were full members of ETU.

1. Austria
2. Belarus
3. Belgium
4. Bulgaria
5. Croatia
6. Cyprus
7. Finland
8. France
9. Germany
10. Great Britain
11. Israel
12. Italy
13. Latvia
14. Lithuania
15. Macedonia
16. Malta
17. Netherlands
18. Norway
19. Poland
20. Portugal
21. Russia
22. Slovenia
23. Spain
24. Sweden
25. Switzerland
26. Turkey
27. Ukraine

Armenia and Georgia were present as well but as they are not a member of ETU they were not eligible to vote.

2 scrutineers were appointed by RB: Maria Cherkovskaya from Belarus and Cyprian Dalli from Malta.
ETU Vice-President, Sarah Springman (SMS), explained that the single reason to call this Extraordinary Congress was to approve the new constitution. According to Article 6.13 of the ETU constitution:

1. The Congress may only deliberate about modifications of the Constitution if the proposed modifications are specially indicated in the agenda and 2/3 of the members are present.

2. The modification of the constitution has to be adopted by 2/3 of the members present.

KS confirmed that 26 NFs would be sufficient to achieve the first requirement of Article 6.13 and with 27 NFs present this condition was achieved so that the Extraordinary Congress could progress towards discussion and voting on the new Articles of Association, which had been circulated 30 days in advance, according to Clause 6.9???.

SMS asked the floor if there were any questions on the Articles.

Arild Mjøs Andersen (AMA) from Norway asked about the voting process: article by article or the complete constitution at once.

SMS confirmed that the Articles would be voted on as one document.

As there were no further questions, all affiliated members were invited to vote for or against the new Articles of Association.

The new Articles were accepted unanimously.

The Extraordinary Congress was then closed by RB at 9.35.

Minutes made by Kathleen Smet, Beverlo, 12 April 2013