

Minutes of ILCA Europe board meeting
Tuesday, June 11th, 2013
Castiglione del Lago - Italy

Lauri Hemming, chairman of the meeting, explained that the meeting has been held not during the European Championship but during the World Championship to increase international participation.

Nigeria is no longer part of the European District because the ISAF has decided that it is in a different continent.

Schedule calendar:

It was decided to follow the normal rotation.

European 2014 in Greece: at NAOV Club (about 20 km from Athens). Nick Vazakas proposed to do it in early-mid July in order to boost youth participation and not conflict with the youth worlds.

European 2015 in Finland.

European 2016 in Switzerland: Urs Wyler explained that the Swiss would only be interested if at least 15 boats participate.

European 2017 in Italy.

Worlds 2019: Finland is considering making an application.

The calendar was approved.

John Faus, President of ILCA, was invited to speak about programs for Lightning development.

Lightning Labs: Clinic for fleets (professional sailor visits and instructs). ILCA provides transport expenses, hosting fleet provides housing and meals. John explained that this could be useful as a clinic before nationals. The ILCA requests 2-3 months of lead time.

Container program: ILCA has initiated a system of on-line listings of boats available for sale, to help an increase a boats worldwide and to help the boat builders. ILCA

will provide \$2500 to offset the cost of container fees under certain conditions. Details are available on ILCA website.

Boat grant program: ILCA provides boat and fee expenses to youngsters from 18 to 23 years old currently only in North America. John proposed that national districts should make proposals to expand it. The current proposal is visible on ILCA's website. The Italian district asked if it would be possible to lower the applicants age to sixteen.

Nick Vazakas proposed a crowd fundraising to expressly help sailing schools using Lightnings. Ian Edwards said he would like to help Nick investigate this possibility.

New Business

It was requested to start an European webpage on the ILCA website.

It was noted that only Finland has a national class association which requests dues from the members to pay dues for the ILCA (bank account). This should help to strengthen the national association.

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