

F4 Scale Sub-committee Report for 2016

After the resignation of Mr Graham Kennedy as F4 S-C Chairman in January 2016, Johan Ehlers was elected to the position at the CIAM Plenary Meeting in April 2016. In order to be as inclusive as possible, a sub-committee of 22 members was established, including technical experts from countries which are not participating internationally in scale at this point in time. The members are in contact with one another via e-mail.

The 2016 F4C&H Scale World Championships was held in Romania at the end of August 2016. Although 11 countries participated, a number of regularly participating countries were not present. For more detail, please refer to the Jury Report. Although, once again, there were rumours of irregularities regarding the information in the Contestant Declaration Forms, no one availed themselves of the newly adopted rule to lodge a protest accompanied with evidence to challenge the matter. Another bone of contention was the matter of the legality of the use of gyros, which has resulted in an urgent clarification proposal for the 2017 CIAM Plenary Meeting.

Five Working Groups have been established to look at the proposals that were referred back to the S-C at the 2016 Plenary Meeting as well as various aspects of the class in order to produce amendments and clarifications for the 2018 CIAM Plenary Meeting in order to clear up anomalies and make the scale classes a more attractive proposition for prospective participants.

For the same reasons cited for 2015, no European Championships for F4 is envisaged for 2017.

The Swiss organisers for the 2018 F4C&H World Championships are busy with the ground work for the event and keeping in mind their previous record regarding World Championships hosting, we foresee no problems in this regard.

Johan Ehlers

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