

CIAM SC Education Report 2013

1. CIAM Scholarship

By November 15, 2012, no less than eight candidates sent in their applications for the third 2000 € scholarship. Thomas Rettenbacher (14) from Austria won Bronze at the F3C EuCh in 2012. Oskar Findahl (18) from Sweden is one of the best Junior competition flyers at all, with many wins in F1A, F1B and F3K. Toni Stanev (19) from Bulgaria was the best Junior of the SM WCh 2012. Marten Friis Nielsen (17) from Denmark competes successfully in F2D Combat. Loic Burbaud (21) from France got a place in the F3A WCh-Team for 2013. Marco Mazzucchelli (19) from Italy won the F3A Junior classification in Muncie (WCh 2011) and Chateauroux (ECh 2012). Tomasz Frak (20) from Poland succeeded in F3J contests. RJ Gritter (22) from USA is one of the best F3P pilots in his country.

All candidates were worthy nominees, but the panel of CIAM experts voted in favour of Loic Burbaud. The Bureau agreed the decision and the plenary rewarded the scholarship April 19. Only six, not seven experts had their vote, as Per Findahl had to abstain from voting because his son was related.

2. Technical Meeting

The Technical Meeting at the Plenary April 19, 2013 was well supported by nine experts. Educational projects in the Netherlands, Hongkong and Sweden had been presented.

Because of the growing number of applicants the voting procedure for the CIAM scholarship had to be revised and a proposal of Bob Underwood (USA) was unanimously agreed. It says that every expert has to rank the applicants from 1 to n and the candidate with the lowest sum of his places wins.

As it is obvious that the CIAM Scholarship is a very high rated prize it should be accompanied by a diploma (which has to be awarded to past winners as well). Different proposals were on the table but the name "Spirit of Flight" won by a clear margin. The layout is to be decided by the Bureau during the meeting December 2013.

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