

# **2013 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Shanghai, JUNE 16, 2013**

## ***Presidium's Motion 5 regarding Professional Division Regulations***

**WHEREAS** the WDSF Professional Division ("**PD**") is, in accordance with article 17 (1) of the WDSF Statutes (the "**Statutes**"), responsible for the internal administration of WDSF with respect to professional DanceSport competitions.

**AND WHEREAS** in accordance with article 17 (2) of the Statutes, the PD must respect *inter alia* (i) WDSF's internal and external administrative jurisdiction, and (ii) WDSF's universal requirements with respect to ethics, anti-doping, and other financial administrative and sporting policies, regulations and requirements established by WDSF or the WDSF Presidium from time to time.

**AND WHEREAS** on the one hand, the PD does enjoy a certain degree of freedom with respect to the administration of professional DanceSport within the WDSF structure; on the other hand, as an integral part of the WDSF, the PD must respect the fundamental principles and rules of the WDSF.

**AND WHEREAS** the process initially followed by the PD was to establish full sets of regulations which, for the most part, replicate the WDSF's rules and regulations and differ only in certain respects.

**AND WHEREAS** the WDSF Presidium and the PD have recognized that this process makes it difficult and burdensome to identify the differences between the two sets of rules and maintain, on an on-going basis, the principle of consistency of the PD rules with WDSF's fundamental principles and rules.

**AND WHEREAS** it has been recognized further that the basic principle should be as follows: The general WDSF rules and regulations should apply to the PD and the PD should only issue regulations when specific supplementary regulations are necessary for the good administration of the PD and professional DanceSport.

**AND WHEREAS** the implementation of this principle will require a working group to be constituted to (i) discuss and agree upon the specific regulations needed and (ii) establish PD rules which are, as a general rule, supplementary to the corresponding WDSF rules ("**Supplementary PD Rules**").

**AND WHEREAS** in the meantime, the rules and regulations already issued by the PD will continue to apply subject to observance of art. 17 (2) of the Statutes.

**AND WHEREAS** it is clarified, in particular, that the provisions of D.2.2 of the WDSF Competitions Rules regarding nationality are part of the universal WDSF requirements and are therefore applicable to the PD.

**MOVED**, that the principle described above in respect of the establishment of Supplementary PD Rules is approved by the General Meeting.

**MOVED**, that the WDSF Presidium be given the mandate to establish a working group (comprised of an equal number of representatives from the PD and WDSF Presidium) with the task of establishing Supplementary PD Rules (to replace the relevant existing PD rules) in time for the 2014 WDSF General Meeting and PD Meeting.

**MOVED**, the General Meeting resolves that, in the meantime, the regulations already established by the PD will continue to apply subject to the observance of art. 17 (2) of the Statutes and that the provisions of D.2.2 of the WDSF Competitions Rules regarding nationality are part of the requirements applicable to the PD pursuant to said article of the Statutes.