Minutes of the ATIBOX Assembly
Friday, October 19, 2012 in Municipality Library, Rivolta D’Adda, Italy

ATIBOX Assembly opening: 11:30h

The member countries attendance list was created on Registration desk and the quorum has been ascertained by ATIBOX Assembly.

Present: 16 member countries - Austria, Bulgaria, Byelorussia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Montenegro, Poland, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, USA.

Non-present: 15 member countries - Belgium, Croatia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Netherland, Norway, Portugal, Romania, South Africa, Spain.

Present members of the Committee: Knut Brodal, Prof. Dr. Milos Lucic, Dr. Iwona Magdziarska, Andreja Cucnik, Robert Fagos, Knut Persen, Winfried Bonn
Absent: Günter Karg, Norbert Zawatzki, Sergey Vanzha

AGENDA

1. Welcome addressing
2. Report on the ATIBOX activities during the last year
3. Information on the regulations proposals and discussion
4. Discussion on the arrived proposals and initiatives in ATIBOX
5. Various

1. Welcome addressing
President Prof. Dr. Milos Lucic gave the welcome speech and welcomes all of the national representatives of member countries. He informed the Assembly that he has been informed by secretary general, who controlled the attendance list on Registration desk, that the quorum of 16 members countries has been established, and subsequently ascertained by ATIBOX Assembly. The proposed agenda has been accepted by Assembly unanimously.

2. Report on the ATIBOX activities during the last year
Prof. Lucic reported on all of the general activities in the last year, starting from ATIBOX IPO World Championship held on April 15-17, 2011 in Wieselburg (Austria), ATIBOX World Boxer Show held on May 28-29, 2011 in Santa Maria Di Sala (Italy) and ATIBOX FH World Championship held on November 4-6, 2011 in Maribor (Slovenia), as well as the ATIBOX World Boxer Show held on May 26-27, 2012 in Parc de Saint-Cyr (France), thanking to all of the organizers of ATIBOX events, especially Austrian Boxer Club (ÖBK), Boxer Club of Italy (BCI), Boxer Club of Slovenia and French Association for Boxer (AFB) for an excellent work. He marked
that ATIBOX events are demonstrating the ever increasing public and kynological interest in boxer breed and moreover, a rising interest to the ATIBOX events. Prof. Lucic stressed out that ATIBOX presidium had three very constructive meetings in the previous year, 2011, that were held in Austria, Italy and Slovenia, and already two brainstorming meetings in 2012, held in Austria and Germany, that resulted in an amount of different initiatives that should be started through the initiatives of taskforce groups and ATIBOX committees. The activities of ATIBOX working committee for utility boxers, chaired by Mr. Udo Herrmann has been already announced through the extremely detailed IPO and FH regulations draft proposals, as a joined effort of the team of experts, while the ATIBOX show committee created the task force, headed by Dr. Iwona Magdziarska, who is preparing the ATIBOX show regulations draft proposal, which should enable maximal compatibility to the actual FCI rules, but also serve as a extremely useful guidelines for performing and organizing the ATIBOX World Boxer Show. Usually highly efficient electronic communication will be improved in a close future, by introducing a new ATIBOX editorial and web committee, chaired by Mr. Jozef Suster from Slovakia. The ATIBOX judges committee is preparing the ATIBOX Regulations for Show Judges, which will be presented to the public discussion soon as well. Prof. Lucic announced the concrete result of ATIBOX relations with the FCI, that ATIBOX IPO world champion is allowed to enter directly into the competition of FCI World Championship for Utility Dogs, without any other prior qualifications. This resulted in the participation of actual ATIBOX IPO world champion on FCI World Championship for Utility Dogs, already this year 2012 in Hungary, and he congratulated to the ATIBOX working committee for utility boxers, especially to Mr. Robert Fagos, Mr. Robert Zawatzki, Mr. Karl Klingenbrunner and Mr. Bernhard Knopek. Dr. Lucic pointed out that ATIBOX presidium is decisive to continue with the ATIBOX round table sessions in the open forums form where all of the troubleshooting topics may be discussed between the field experts from member countries, not regarding the judges and morphological/beauty issues, but also breeding and health/character issues in boxer.

Prof. Lucic thanked Mr. Knut Persen for the financial report that has been sent out previously and included as a separate attachment by secretary general, Mrs. Andrea Cucnik. There were no remarks on that report and the report has been accepted unanimously as well.

The full report on ATIBOX activities during the last year has been accepted unanimously by ATIBOX Assembly.

3. Information on the regulations proposals and discussion
Dr. Lucic informed that ATIBOX show committee created the task force, headed by Dr. Iwona Magdziarska, who is preparing the ATIBOX show regulations, which should enable maximal compatibility to the actual FCI rules, but also serve as a extremely useful guidelines for performing and organizing the ATIBOX World Boxer Show. As soon as fully finished, ATIBOX show regulations will be sent out to the member countries in a short time for information. He also informed that the ATIBOX judges committee, headed by Mr. Joao Vasco Pocas, is working on the ATIBOX regulations for show judges, which will provide the useful information for the ATIBOX judges, but also set the minimal criteria for the inclusion to the ATIBOX judges list. This list has been of only informative nature, but in some cases, it has been misused to avoid the engagement for some judges, that were not included to the list by their national club. The ATIBOX judges committee will create the minimal criteria for inclusion of the judges, and in the future this comity will have the duty and authority to supervise the judges from ATIBOX judges list. Till that moment, ATIBOX judges list is and shall not be understood differently but as only informative and not obligatory list. As soon as finished, ATIBOX regulations for show judges will be sent out as well to the member countries for information.

Dr. Lucic also expressed his gratitude to Mr. Winfried Bonn and Mr. Norbert Zawatzki for their extensive efforts within the taskforce group on the Convention changes survey. As they reported, it is extremely difficult to change the legal status of ATIBOX at the moment, due to the legal regulation within EU countries, on what the Assembly has been informed and ascertained.

Dr. Lucic also informed the Assembly that, since the number of participants is much larger at ATIBOX World Boxer Show in comparison to ATIBOX IPO and ATIBOX FH World Championship, which are also very important ATIBOX events, so in order to support the events for utility boxer, ATIBOX presidium has decided in 2011 to introduce the amount of € 2 from every boxer entry at every ATIBOX World Boxer Show (that must not exceed € 60 per boxer), that will be paid to
ATIBOX and shall serve to additionally support utility boxer events, e.g. ATIBOX IPO and ATIBOX FH World Championship. This decision is already valid for the year 2012. All the information brought to Assembly under the top 3 have been accepted with full agreement.

4. Discussion on the arrived proposals and initiatives in ATIBOX

a. Proposal of the Boxer Club of Norway on the changes of ATIBOX Convention Article 13 (Proposal Nr. 1 in separate attachment)

“The date of the ATIBOX General Assembly as well as the date limits for filling proposals of candidates and motions shall be announced in due time, at the latest 3 months before the meeting is scheduled to take place.”

The proposal has been accepted unanimously. Assembly has been informed that since ATIBOX World Boxer Show 2013 will be held on May 18-19, 2013 in Hungary, closely connected with FCI-World Dog Show, in order to gain a larger number of present boxers and visitors, the General Assembly 2013 will be held on Friday, May 17, 2013. The member countries will be notified of the date, place and country of show and asked simultaneously to announce their delegates and send any proposals and suggestions, and the deadline to send the material to the secretary general will follow accordingly to the accepted proposal of Boxer Club of Norway. This additional information has been accepted by the Assembly with full agreement.

b. Proposal of the ATIBOX presidium (Initiative Nr. 1 in separate attachment)

“All cropped boxers, born after January 1, 2013, are not allowed to take part at the ATIBOX events anymore.”

The proposal has been accepted unanimously. The discussion on this proposal revealed that, unfortunately, this proposal has been posted by on Facebook by Mr. Knopek, before the Assembly took a discussion and decision on that issue; an explanation will be asked by ATIBOX presidium.

In regard to the ATIBOX utility events, such as IPO and FH World Boxer Championship, an editorial supplement: “In a case of proven and verified medical indication, a docked boxer born after January 1, 2013, may participate in ATIBOX utility events, e.g. ATIBOX IPO and FH World Boxer Championship.” has been proposed on site.

This proposal has been accepted unanimously as well.

5. Various

At the end, Prof. Lucic welcomed the present representatives of the Boxer Club of Greece. They have made a short presentation on Boxer Club of Greece, and the Boxer Club of Greece has been accepted as the ATIBOX member unanimously. The final announcement will follow in Hungary, at the General Assembly 2013.

End of the ATIBOX Assembly: 13:15h

After the end of ATIBOX Assembly the first ATIBOX Round Table on Health Issues has been held, opening the numerous questions and discussions, where the necessity of creating ATIBOX Committee for Health and Character issues has been pointed out.

The minutes were written in German on site by Mrs. Helga Bonn and finalized in English version by Mrs. Andreja Cucnik, ATIBOX secretary general.

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