# Auditor's report on the limited audit

with annual accounts as at 31 December 2018 of the

Fédération Internationale d'Escrime (International Fencing Federation), Lausanne



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To the Congress of the members of the

Fédération Internationale d'Escrime (International Fencing Federation), Lausanne

Lausanne, 30 April 2019

### Auditor's report on the limited audit

In our capacity as auditors, we have audited the annual accounts (balance sheet, profit and loss account and annex) of the Fédération Internationale d'Escrime (International Fencing Federation) for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Responsibility for the preparation of the annual accounts falls to the management, while our task consists of auditing those accounts. We declare that we meet the legal requirements for approval and independence.

Our audit was performed according to the Swiss standard for limited audits. This standard requires the audit to be planned and performed in such a way that significant irregularities in the annual accounts can be detected. A limited audit mainly encompasses examinations, analytical auditing operations as well as appropriate detailed audits of documents available in the audited company. However, verifications of operating cash flows and the internal control system, as well as hearings and other audit operations intended to detect fraud or other violations of the law, do not form part of this audit.

During our audit, we did not discover any element that might lead us to conclude that the annual accounts are not in accordance with the law (Arts. 957 et seq. of the Code of Obligations) and the Statutes.

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Serge Clément Approved auditor (Chief Auditor)

Pascal Tréhan Approved auditor

#### Annex

Annual accounts (balance sheet, income statement and annex)

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT 2018**

June 9, 2019

Dear President, Ladies and Gentlemen and Honorary Members, Ladies and Gentlemen and Presidents of Federations, Ladies and Gentlemen and Congress participants,

I am pleased to submit for your approval the balance sheet and income statement for the financial year 2018 (1st January to 31st December), together with the budget for 2020 (1st January to 31st December).

#### 1. INCOME STATEMENT

### **SUMMARY**

The income and expenditure accounts for the financial period submitted for your approval indicate an excess of revenues over expenses amounting to CHF 2 775 027.

I would like to express once again my appreciation to the President of our Federation for his generous donations of CHF 5 000 000 and CHF 11 335 000 for the 105th anniversary of the FIE, which allowed us to implement our programmes without any budget overrun.

#### **EXPENSES**

Total administrative charges: CHF 2 904 529 4.29% below budget

Of which:

1) Payroll expenses: CHF 1 368 148; 2.27% below budget.

2) Administration expenses: CHF 451 464; 4.95% below budget.

The main categories are:

Office rental	CHF '	119 644
Fees	CHF	84 608
Translation services	CHF	95 708
IT	CHF	34 986
Miscellaneous insurances	CHF	49 036
Post and telecommunications	CHF	30 918

- 3) Organization of the FIE Congress in Paris CHF 286 078; 4.64% below budget.
- 4) Bureau and Executive Committee (meetings) CHF 296 468; 1.17% below budget.
- 5) Executive Committee and personnel expenses for travel (CHM) –

CHF 98 490; 1.51% below budget.

### The categories are:

Executive Committee expenses for travel CHF 59 250
Per diem for the Executive Committee CHF 9 035
Employees' expenses for travel CHF 30 205

6) Commissions and Councils - CHF 254 972; 1.98 % above budget.

Refereeing	One meeting
Legal	One meeting
SEMI	One meeting
Medical	One meeting
PCM	One meeting
Rules	One meeting
Veterans	One meeting
Woman and Fencing	One meeting
Coaches:	One meeting
Athletes	One meeting
Fair-play	One meeting

7) SPORT ACCORD anti-doping management services, out-of-competition testing and promoting anti-doping- CHF 143 216; 4.52% below budget.

8) Amortisation - CHF 5 692; 90.51% below budget.

Total financial charges: CHF 34 546 72.73% below budget.

1) Financial expenses - bank charges CHF 19 752, 97.52% above budget.

2) Provisions/losses - CHF 14 794 47.94% above budget

3) Provision for overtime and holidays not taken as well as income 2017 social charges CHF 192 522

Total charges for Sport department: CHF 2 919 668 16.78% below budget.

1) Subsidies to the Confederations –

**CHF 224 947**; 1.33 % below budget.

2) Equipment for the Federations –

CHF 446 000; 25.66% below budget.

Continent	Number of Federations	Amount in CHF	%
Africa	25	115 000.	25.78%
Americas	22	96 000.	21.52%
Asia	22	103 000	23.10%
Europe	25	115 000	25.78%
Oceania	4	17 000	3.82%
TOTAL	98	446 000	100%

- 3) Schools and training for Fencing Masters -
- 4) Training course prior to World Championships –
- 5) Refereeing: examinations, seminars, bonuses -
- 6) Assistance to the Federations (1+1+1) -
- 7) J/C World Championships –
- 8) Seniors/veterans World Championships -
- 9) Grand Prix, World Cups, CHZ –
- 10) Service providers -
- 11) "Athletes Career" program -
- 12) Confederations' sporting directors -
- 13) Projects -
- 14) YOG 2018-

**CHF 649 794**; 14.50% below budget.

**CHF 99 113**; 0.88% below budget.

CHF 345 430; 26.50% below budget.

**CHF 569 848**; 18.71% above budget.

CHF 91 474; 6.65% below budget.

**CHF 118 210**; 24.94% below budget.

CHF 37 423; 50.10% below budget.

CHF 34 439; 65.56% below budget.

**CHF 330**; 99.34 % below budget.

CHF 96 000; 20.00% below budget.

CHF 64 615; 56.92% below budget.

CHF 142 045; 18.37% above budget

### Communication/Marketing/TV: CHF 2 721 360

2.54 % below budget

1) Video portal/ Digital content / Website - CHF 264 198; 0.83% above budget.

Digital content - CHF 250 121

Video portal - CHF 0

Website - CHF 14 077

2) Magazines - CHF 146 244; 5.64% below budget.

3) Communication - CHF 51 798; 3.59% above budget.

4) Marketing - CHF 77 723; 2.84% below budget.

5) Events - CHF 353 103; 35.13% below budget.

6) Service providers - CHF 204 294; 13.49% above budget.

7) TV Broadcast (Eurosport, Euronews, CNN) - CHF 1 521 000; 0% identical to budget.

8) Exchange rate difference TV broadcast - CHF103 000

Total FIE expenses are 8 772 625 CHF, i.e. 6.23% below the planned budget of 9 335 900 CHF.

#### **INCOME**

1) Donations: donation from the President- CHF 5 000 000

2) Income from the Federations - CHF 582 955; 57.30% above budget.

Of which:

Subscriptions from Federations Organization fees (Grands Prix, World Cup) - CHF 148 743; 61.50 % above budget.
 International licences Referees' examination fees Other income CHF 60 932; 16.06% above budget.
 CHF 148 743; 61.50 % above budget.
 CHF 248 192; 41.82% above budget.
 CHF 7 458; 32.20% below budget.
 CHF 117 630; 194.07% above budget.

3) Finances- CHF 395 183; 393.97% above budget.

Finances	CHF 395 183
Interest	182,870
Adjustments of currency values	0
Realized foreign exchange gain	212 313
Income from previous years	0
Release of provisions	0

4) IOC - CHF 68 831; 0.24% below budget.

5) Income from the Olympic Games - CHF 136 798; 13.99% above budget.

6) Communication/Marketing/TV - CHF 339 317; 9.45% above budget.

Advertising in magazine Sponsoring TV rights CHF 69 368; 15.61% above budget.
 CHF 202 500; 1.25% above budget.
 CHF 67 449; 34.89% above budget.

7) FIE 105th anniversary - CHF 5 024 569

Donations from the President
 Expenses
 CHF 11 335 000
 CHF 6 310 431

# **BALANCE SHEET**

### **SUMMARY**

Our balance sheet at the end of December was positive, due to an income surplus for the year – CHF 2 775 027.

Capital at 31 December 2018: CHF 9 096 807

Long-term reserve: CHF 20 000 000. Short-term capital: CHF 2 133 185

Long-term capital: CHF 0

Total liabilities CHF 31 229 991.

#### **ASSETS**

- Tangible fixed assets CHF 4 226
- 1) Office and IT equipment Gross value of this equipment CHF 3 177
- 2) Office furniture CHF 819
- 3) Sports equipment CHF 0
- 4) General facilities CHF 230
  - Financial fixed assets CHF 0
     Intangible assets CHF 0

Total fixed assets: CHF 4 226.

#### **Current assets**

Stock (ties, scarves, flags) –
 Debtor federations Accruals
 Other clients Prepayments (Prepaid expenses)
 CHF 22 128
 CHF 26 466
 CHF 28 403
 CHF 352 310
 CHF 146 699

Prepayment in EUR 33 691
 Prepayment CHF
 Prepayment in USD
 Accruals
 CHF 37 916
 CHF 108 783
 CHF 0
 CHF 0

#### **LIABILITIES**

1) Equity capital

The capital as of 01.01.2018 (CHF 6 321 780) represents the FIE's financial situation at the beginning of the year.

The surplus of income over expenses (CHF 2 775 027) is the result from the profit and loss account described above.

Capital as of December 31 2018 of CHF 9 096 807. Long-term reserve is CHF 20 000 000. Long-term foreign capital (IOC) is CHF 0 Short-term foreign capital of CHF 2 133 185

The "TOTAL CAPITAL" is CHF 31 229 991.

2) Suppliers and accrued liabilities for a total amount of: CHF 2 057 548

• Suppliers CHF 1 520 503

• Accrued liabilities CHF 537 045

Accrued liabilities CHF		CHF 536 257
Accrued liabilities EURO	EUR 700	CHF 788
Accrued liabilities USD	USD 0	CHF 0
Provision from release		CHF 14 500

3) Income received in advance - CHF 53 160

4) Other creditors - CHF 0

I would like to express my gratitude to all the staff of the FIE, in particular to Ms Sandra Baroni, our new Accounting Manager since March 2018 and of course to Ms. Nathalie Rodriguez our CEO, for their support.

Ferial Salhi Secretary -Treasurer

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# **BALANCE SHEET**

ASSETS	31.12.2018 CHF	31.12.2017 CHF
Cash funds	24'334	7'479
Bank balances	16'799'292	25'008'821
Short term bank accounts	13'766'200	1'020'632
Cash	30'589'826	26'036'932
Federation receivables	26'466	23'192
Other short-term receivables	410'231	115'987
Stocks	22'128	24'061
Accrued income	28'403	323
Prepaid expenses	148'710	491'194
Accruals – assets	177'114	491'518
Current assets	31'225'765	26'691'690
Long-term financial assets	0	5'401
Office and IT equipment	3'177	3'398
Office furniture	819	1'137
General facilities	230	1'870
Tangible fixed assets	4'226	6'405
Fixed assets	4'226	11'805
Total assets	31'229'991	26'703'496

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# **BALANCE SHEET**

	31.12.2018	31.12.2017
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	CHF	CHF
Debts resulting from the purchasing of services	1'520'503	30'087
Other short-term liabilities (VAT payable)	0	295
Income received in advance	53'160	74'157
Accruals - liabilities	559'522	277'177
Foreign short-term capital	2'133'185	381'716
Initial capital	6'321'780	4'677'897
Surplus of income over expenses	2'775'027	1'643'883
Final capital	9'096'807	6'321'780
Reserve fund	20'000'000	20'000'000
Total equity	29'096'807	26'321'780
Total liabilities and equity	31'229'991	26'703'496

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# **INCOME STATEMENT**

		2018	2017
	Notes	CHF	CHF
Donations	4	5'000'000	4'950'000
Net income from Federations	5 + 1.10	568'161	439'626
Contributions from the IOC	7	205'629	67'200
OG receipts	8	0	5'764'000
Communication and marketing products	9	339'317	331'463
TOTAL INCOME		6'113'107	11'552'289
Salaries		-1'393'081	-1'307'626
Payroll taxes		-169'229	-164'292
Other employment costs		1'638	2'378
Payroll costs	1.1 + 1.11	-1'560'671	-1'469'539
Operating costs	1.2	-451'464	-463'577
Organisation of the Congress	1.3	-286'078	-294'298
Bureau and Executive Committee	1.4	-296'468	-348'616
Executive Committee's travel expenses	1.5	-98'490	-109'799
Commissions and Councils	1.6	-254'972	-391'742
Anti-doping Anti-doping	1.7	-143'216	-109'628
Administrative expenses		-1'530'688	-1'717'660
Sports expenses	2	-2'919'668	-3'205'590
Communication and marketing expenses	3	-2'721'360	-2'712'893
OPERATING PROFIT BEFORE INTEREST, TAXES			
AND DEPRECIATION (EBITDA)		-2'619'280	2'446'607
Depreciation	1.8	-5'692	-51'848
Foreign exchange losses (re-evaluation of foreign			
currency accounts from EUR/USD to CHF)		0	-755'634
Financial expenses	1.9	-19'752	-25'025
Financial profit or loss		-19'752	-780'660
Interest	6.1	182'870	29'783
Realised foreign exchange gain	6.2	212'312	0
Financial income	6	395'182	29'783
Exceptional expenses	11	-6'310'431	0
Extraordinary income	11	11'335'000	0
Extraordinary result from the 105th anniversary	11	5'024'569	0
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SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENSES  1	_	2'775'027	1'643'883

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### NOTES TO THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018

### 1. Accounting principles applied and not prescribed by the law:

1.1. The 'Fédération Internationale d'Escrime' (hereinafter the "FIE") is an international non-governmental non-profit organisation, having the legal form of an association under Swiss law and having its registered office in Lausanne, Switzerland.

It is recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) as the world governing body for fencing. The FIE lays down the rules governing the organisation of international competitions and supervises their application.

- 1.2. The financial statements are presented in Swiss francs (CHF) in accordance with the accounting standards governed by the Swiss Code of Obligations, the regulations and bylaws of the FIE and the following accounting methods.
- 1.3. Items denominated in foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are converted into Swiss francs (CHF) at the exchange rate in effect at the time when they are effected. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are converted at the exchange rate in effect on the year-end date.

The rates applicable to the balance sheet below correspond to the year-end rates at 31 December 2018.

	31.12.2018 CHF	31.12.2017 CHF
EUR/CHF	<u>1.1254</u>	<u>1.1692</u>
USD/CHF	<u>0.9833</u>	<u>0.976</u>

### 1.4. Federations and other short-term receivables

The receivables from the Federations as well as the other short-term receivables are entered in the accounts at their nominal value. Individual value corrections are made, with the residual balance being the subject of a flat-rate value correction of 5%.

## 1.5. Stocks

The stocks are valued at their acquisition cost or cost of production. The acquisition cost and the production cost of the stocks are determined in accordance with the weighted cost method.

## 1.6. Tangible fixed assets

The tangible fixed assets are recognised on the balance sheet at their historical cost, after deduction of the accumulated depreciation. Amortisation charges are made in accordance with the straight-line method. Any immediate amortisation charges are made within the framework of the limits of tax deductability, on the basis of a decision by the Treasurer.

The amortisation rates are fixed in accordance with the estimated useful life of the assets:

Office and IT equipment	2-3 years
Office furniture	4 years
Sports equipment	5 years
General facilities	3-5 years
Media	3 years

# 2. Information and comments on the principal balance sheet and income statement items:

2.1. Cash balances by currency	31.12.2018 CHF	31.12.2017 CHF
CHF	4'125'321	1'296'097
HUF, 6'160	22	0
EUR, 10'839'708.20	12'199'008	1'171'080
USD, 14'357'994.05	14'118'216	23'569'755
JPY, 16'546'089	147'260	0
	30'589'826	26'036'932

## 2.2. Profits and losses

The breakdown of the headings is provided in the attached table with the annual budget providing a comparison.

# 3. Average annual full-time headcount:

As an annual average the number of full-time posts is between 10 and 50 people.

4. Lease-credit transaction, and other long term non-cancellable commitments :	31.12.2018 CHF	31.12.2017 CHF
Commercial lease expiring on 30 September 2021, not recognised on the balance sheet	343'286	468'117
The Federation is contractually committed to a service provider for an amount of EUR 2.8 million (EUR 1.4 millions for 2019 and EUR 1.4 millions for 2020).		
	31.12.2018 CHF	31.12.2017 CHF
5. Liabilities due to social insurance bodies:	17'774.00	0.00
6. Total amount of sureties constituted in favour of third parties:	31.12.2018 CHF	31.12.2017 CHF
Bank guarantee concerning any lease taken by an employee	0.00	5'401.45

2. INCOME STATEMENT FROM 1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2018 SWISS FRANCS (CHF)					
	EXPE	ENSES		REVE	
	Jan/Dec 2018 Budget 2018	Jan/Dec 2018 Expenses 2018		Jan/Dec 2018 Budget 2018	Jan/Dec 2018 Revenues 2018
1A. Administration	3'035'000	2'904'529	4. Donations	5'000'000	5'000'000
1.1 Payroll expenses	1'400'000	1'368'148	4.1 Donations by the President	5'000'000	5'000'000
1.2 Operating expenses	475'000	451'464			
1.3 Organisation of the Congress/Participation by the President of each	300'000	286'078			
NF in the Congress					
<ul><li>1.4 Bureau and Executive Committee (meetings)</li><li>1.5 Executive Committee and personnel expenses for travel to the WCH</li></ul>	300'000	296'468	5 Federations	2701600	5921055
1.6 Commissions and Councils (meetings)	100'000 250'000	98'490 254'972	<ul><li><b>5. Federations</b></li><li>5.1 Federations' annual fees</li></ul>	<b>370'600</b> 52'500	<b>582'955</b> 60'932
1.7 Anti-doping	150'000	143'216	5.2 Organisation fees	92'100	148'743
1.8 Amortization	60'000	5'692	5.2 Organisation lees  5.3 International licences	175'000	248'192
1B. Finances	20'000	34'546	5.4 Referee examination fees	11'000	7'458
1.9 Financial expenses	10'000	19'752	5.5 Other receipts	40'000	117'630
1.10 Provisions/losses on credit losses	10'000	14'794	3.5 Other receipts	40 000	117030
1C. Provision	-	192'522			
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1.11 Provision for holidays and overtime in 2018 and previous years	-	192'522			
2. Sport	3'508'500	2'919'668	6. Finances	80'000	395'182
2.1 Subsidies to the confederations	228'000	224'947	6.1 Interest	_	182'870
2.2 Equipment for the federations	600'000	446'000	6.2 Realised foreign exchange gain	80'000	212'312
2.3 Schools, Maîtres d'armes training formation	760'000	649'794	6.3 Income from prior years	_	_
2.4 Training camps at the championships	100'000	99'113			
2.5 Refereeing (examinations, seminars, bonuses)	470'000	345'430			
2.6 Aid to the federations	480'000	569'848			
2.7 J/C World Championships	98'000	91'474			
2.8 Seniors/veterans World Championships	157'500	118'210			
2.9 World Cups, GP, CHZ	75'000	37'423			
2.10 Service providers	100'000	34'439			
2.11 Athletes' career program	50'000	330	7. IOC	189'000	205'629
2.12 Confederations' spors directors	120'000	96'000	7.1 IOC subsidy for assistance with developm	69'000	68'831
2.13 Projects	150'000	64'615	7.2 IOC Grant YOG Costs for 2018	120'000	136'798
2.14 YOG 2018	120'000	142'045			
3. Com/Mkt/TV	2'792'400	2'721'360			
3.1 Video portal/Digital content/Website	262'000	264'198			
3.2 Magazines	155'000	146'244			
3.3 Communication	50'000	51'798			
3.4 Marketing	80'000	77'723			
3.5 Events	544'400	353'103			
3.6 Service providers	180'000	204'294	8. Proceeds from the Olympic Games	-	-
3.7 Specific projects	-	_			
3.8 TV Broadcast (Eurosport, Euronews, CNN)	1'521'000	1'521'000			•
3.8.1 TV broadcast - Exchange rate difference		103'000			
			9. Com/Mkt/TV	310'000	339'317
			9.1 Escrime magazine	60'000	69'368
			9.2 Sponsorship	200'000	202'500
			9.3 Television rights	50'000	67'449
			10. Other revenue (Reserve)	3'406'300	-
TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES	9'355'900	8'772'625	TOTAL CURRENT RECEIPTS	9'355'900	6'523'083
11. FIE 105 anniversary	-	6'310'431	11. FIE 105 anniversary President's gifts	-	11'335'000
12. Surplus of receipts	-	2'775'027			
TOTAL	9'355'900	17'858'083	TOTAL	9'355'900	17'858'083