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### FIM Europe Congress 2024 Day 1

First day of activities in Fiumicino for the FIM Europe family with the Sporting and Beyond Sporting Councils.



The 28<sup>th</sup> edition of the FIM Europe Congress officially kicked off today in Fiumicino, Italy, with the first meetings of a weekend full of activities.

For the third time, Italy is hosting this esteemed gathering with the precious support of the FMI, the Italian Federation, that today welcomed representatives and members of the National Federations part of the FIM Europe.



About FIM Europe (www.fim-europe.com) - The FIM Europe (in the past UEM, Union Europèenne de Motocyclisme) includes 49 National Federations (FMNs) and 6 Regional Motorcycling Associations and is a European organization acting within its attributions in all matters in relation with motorcycling activities and, as such, in domains ranging from sport, tourism, leisure, environment, mobility, road safety, legislative affairs, protection and defence of the rights and interests of motorcycle users. As far as motorcycle sport is concerned, the FIM Europe is the supreme and sole European authority empowered by the FIM to control European motorcycling sport activities organized under its jurisdiction throughout Europe. The aims of FIM Europe are to develop and promote all forms of motorcycling in Europe as well as the co-operation and friendship between its members, and notably: to examine all questions related to the development of motorcycling in Europe; to organize European Championships and to establish all competitions that appear beneficial subject to the prior approval of the FIM; to co-operate with the FIM in all matters relating to the organization of international events and motorcycling in general; to organize camps and seminars for riders, officials, coaches and administrators of various European FMNs; to support the creation and development of motorcycling activities in all European countries; to promote the co-operation among all European FMNs; to promote motorcycling among young people, both as sport and motorcycling in general; to encourage the use of motorcycles in European countries and to develop motorcycle tourism; to represent the interests of motorcyclists before European authorities; to promote in the media the sport of motorcycling and the use of motorcycles in all of Europe.



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As scheduled, the Sporting and Beyond Sporting Councils' met to take stock of the current season and the upcoming events.

Mr Manuel Marinheiro, Chairman of the Sporting Council, had the occasion to discuss with his Chairmen, that tomorrow will reunite their commissions for the usual midseason meetings. The reports of the activities of all disciplines were analysed in the presence of the FIM Europe President, Mr Michal Sikora.

#### Michal Sikora, FIM Europe President

"Today we started our first Sport and Beyond Sport meetings within fantastic conference facilities of Hilton Rome Airport Hotel. Everything is ready to start a weekend filled with Commissions' meetings, the General Assembly and last but not least - an important event held for the first time - the FIM Europe Policy Conference".

#### Manuel Marinheiro - Chairman of the Sporting Council

"Here we are in Fiumicino for the 28<sup>th</sup> FIM Europe Congress. On this first day I had the opportunity to meet the Chairmen of the Sporting Commissions. They presented their reports and together we analysed the current season, which is running smoothly. The International Continental Games have been presented to the Chairmen. I wish all the FIM Europe family a great Congress".

The Chairman of the Beyond Sporting Council, Mr Roy N. Wetterstad, met the three Chairmen of the Beyond Sporting Commissions.



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#### Roy N. Wetterstad - Chairman of the Beyond Sporting Council

"We have an exciting weekend ahead of us, starting with the Beyond Sporting Council Meeting. Our Commission's Chairmen have intense discussions about environment, touring activities and organizational and political issues. We are looking forward to the Policy Conference we are launching tomorrow. Leading voices from the world of motorcycling, politicians and experts will discuss challenges for motorcycling, both in mobility and sport".

Tomorrow the schedule foresees the Management Council, the Commissions and Panels' meetings and the 2024 FIM Europe Policy Conference, a key feature of this year's Congress.

