

REPORT 2018

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International Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics, IFAGG

International Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics, IFAGG, was established on 12 October 2003 and is the recognized world governing body of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (AGG). Already, before establishing IFAGG, AGG active countries did co-operation via international AGG Committee (2001-2003).

The IFAGG is a non-profit international federation, and it has been properly and legally registered as such. Its mission and purpose are strictly to advance the sport of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics. IFAGG is the supreme authority on all matters relating to International Aesthetic Group Gymnastics.

General information

Mission statement

- to promote the sport of AGG
- · to coordinate international competitions and events
- to grant the right to host World Championships and other IFAGG authorized competitions
- to develop and maintain the International rules of AGG
- to develop training materials and education for coaches and judges
- to foster cooperative relations with other international sport organizations
- to represent the interests of AGG throughout the world when dealing with other organizations.

Year 2018 was the 15th year of activity for IFAGG - International Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics. IFAGG's year was very active. IFAGG continued to spread the sport and in addition to that, a new competition category and rules for short program were created and tested. There were 32 teams from 14 countries and 4 continents participating in World Cup competitions and 35 teams from 14 countries from 3 continents attend the Junior Challenge Cup competitions. Therefore, the number of new teams is especially increasing in junior category. In addition to that, IFAGG education activities were very successful.

Working forward the ethical code has been an important part of every activity. General Code of Ethics was introduced in Conference 2018. The ethics belong in every area of our activity and during year information and education have been spread. Council also decided to renew the IFAGG register (CRM) system was utilize during 2018. In the future the system will also help with good governance and transparency as well consider GDPR.

IFAGG's development work has been continuing and sport of AGG has been spreading according the strategy. During the year 2018 IFAGG has gotten ten (10) new members. General Assembly 2018 approved unanimously expulsion for Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Singapore, Singapore (Bmember) and Studio Adagio, Belgium (B-member).

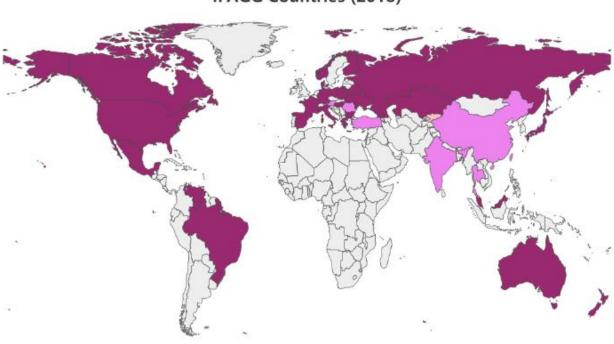
New A-members:

Australia / Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Australia Georgia / Georgian National Federation of AGG Kazakhstan / Kazakhstan Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics New Zealand / Aesthetic Group Gymnastics New Zealand Poland / Polish Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics USA / Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Federation of USA

New B-members:

China / YuHua & Dingding Arts Education Center Singapore / D`gymnastique Academy Thailand / SISB Schools United Arab Emirates / Stryx Sport

IFAGG has members in five continents.



IFAGG Countries (2018)

EDUCATION

New, low doorstep way for new teams and new countries to come along IFAGG was created and tested; short program. Short program will be an easy way for new teams and countries to enter among IFAGG. During year 2018 short program for children categories was prepared.

Presentation and education sport of AGG:

- Tartu, Estonia 14–18 February 2018 contacts with new countries
- Graz, Austria 12 April 2018 19 participants
- Budapest, Hungary 7 June 2018 Conference
- Santos, Brazil 19. November 2018

IFAGG had open search for Ambassadors and selected six ambassadors for helping spread the sport. Ambassador education was 27.-30. September 2018.

Code of Ethics process

IFAGG Council asked the Ethical Committee to prepare material for everyone who is participating in the IFAGG activities. Basic idea is that the Code of Ethics shall apply to: IFAGG members and their authorities, representatives, members, gymnasts, coaches, judges, officials, elected persons, employees, consultants, advisors, partners, medical, technical and support staff, participants, persons accredited or participated at AGG events, any other individuals engaged at AGG activities as well as any accompaniment of the mentioned persons.

IFAGG regulations and judges code of ethics as well the Code of Discipline (approved in 2016 GA) has been implemented for members via communication (info letters) and educations.

Judges code of ethics and the Code of Discipline has been a fundamental part in the international judges' educations:

- International judge course: 3 7 Oct 2018 Glyfada (Athens), Greece, 35 participants from 18 countries
- International judge course: 18–21 Nov 2018 Santos, Brazil, 10 participants from 4 countries
- Network forum for coaches and judges 4 May 2018 Chengdu, China 52 participants from 5 countries

IFAGG approved national judges' educations

- Chengdu, China 2 4 May 2018 with 45 participants
- Astana, Kazakhstan 15–18 Sep 2018 with 30 participants

Equality

Aesthetic Group Gymnastics' history and traditions are based on "women" group gymnastics. IFAGG as an international federation has been spreading the sport for all. In many countries boys have been involved in AGG via AGG school activities. IFAGG has supported this development and mixed teams have been a part of IFAGG competition categories for some years.

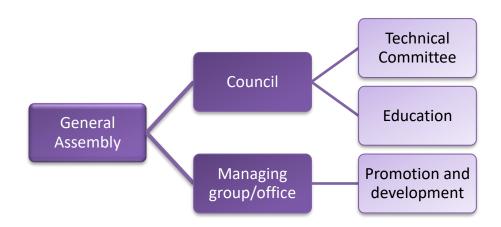
General Assembly 2017 decided to start preparing the new rules for male teams, that were based on the questions from members. Council gave this task to TC for preparing and working group has been working on the rules for male groups.

Otherwise all equality, integrity and dignity issues have been proceeded via IFAGG Code of Ethics that will be published in GA 2018 and implementation will be an important part of the next plan of action.

Good governance -education related with

- Conference open for all members 7 June 2018 in Budapest, Hungary
- guidelines, administration, information and ethics for all members.

ADMINISTRATION



IFAGG office

Office services have been purchased from Etelä-Suomen Liikunta ja Urheilu ry, ESLU (Sport Federation of Southern Finland). Office team 2018 has been Executive Director Päivi Ahlroos-Tanttu, assistant Isa Laakso and financial secretary Stina Koivisto (finances and book keeping).

Meetings

General Assembly 2018

IFAGG's General Assembly was held on 7 June 2018 in Budapest, Hungary. 18 A-members and 5 B-members attended the General Assembly.

Council members were elected after voting; Annely Riga (CAN), Elena Dukova (BUL) and Renáta Vrbová (CZE) were re-elected as Council members for 2018 – 2020.

GA voted to calendar place for World Championships event 2020 and 2021 and after voting it was approved to have World Championships in end of November 2020 and 2021. IFAGG will evaluate how calendar will work and ask feedback from members for future plans 2022 and forward.

Council meetings

The Council of IFAGG held five (5) meetings during year 2018:

- 15 March 2018 Helsinki, Finland
- 12 April 2018 Graz, Austria
- 6 June 2018 Budapest, Hungary
- 9 June 2018 Budapest, Hungary
- 3 October 2018 Glyfada (Athens), Greece

Council have been preparing IFAGG big plan, the document about things to develop and preparing create judging committee. These issues not finalize during 2018 and Council is continuing work on these things during 2019.

Members of the IFAGG Council:

- Tatiana Miroshnychenko, Spain, IFAGG President
- Liliya Morozova, Russia, Vice President
- Annely Riga, Canada, Vice President
- Elena Dukova, Bulgaria
- Maria Laakso, Finland
- Saori Kubota, Japan
- Renata Vrbova, Czech Republic
- Päivi Ahlroos-Tanttu, Executive Director

Ethical Committee

- Salla Lintunen, Finland, chair
- Judith Martinez, Spain
- Petra Smějová, Czech Republic

Members of the Technical Committee 2018–2019:

- Annely Riga, Canada, chair
- Kim Lian Choo, Malaysia
- María García-Trío San Martín, Norway
- Lea Kriibi, Estonia
- Polina Nochevnova, Russia
- Llanos Tornero Llorente, Spain
- Jaana Widenius, Finland

IFAGG members (situation 31.12.2018)

A-members:

Australia / Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Australia (AAGGF)

Belarus / Belorussian Association of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (BAAGG)

Brazil / Confederacao Brasileira Ginastica Estetica de Grupo (C.B.G.E.G.)

Bulgaria / Bulgarian Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (BFAGG)

Canada / Canadian Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Federation (CAGG)

Czech Republic / Czech Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics

Denmark / Danish Gymnastics Federation (DGF)

Estonia / Estonian Gymnastics Federation (EEVL)

Faroe Islands / Foroya Fimleikasambad (FFS)

Finland / Finnish Gymnastics Federation (FGF)

France / French Association of the Clubs of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics

Georgia / Georgian National Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics

Germany / Germany Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (DVAGG)

Greece / Gymnastic Union of Larisa GEL

Hong Kong / Hong Kong Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics

Hungary / Hungarian Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Federation (MEGSSZ)

Italy / Federazione Italiana Sports Acrobatici e Coreografici (FISAC)

Kazakhstan / Kazakhstan Federation of the Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (KFAGG)

Japan / Japanese Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (JFAGG)

Malaysia / Malaysian Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Association (MAGGA)

Mexico / Federacion Nacional Mexicana de Gimnasia Estetica de Grupos (FENMEGEG)

Moldova / Moldavian Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (FGEGM)

New Zealand / Aesthetic Group Gymnastics New Zealand (AGGNZ)

Norway / Norwegian Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Federation

Poland / Polish Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (PFAGG)

Russia / Russian Federation of Aesthetic Gymnastics (RFAG)

Spain / Asociacion Espanola de Gimnasia Estetica de Grupo (AEGEG)

Ukraine / Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics of Ukraine (FAGGU)

United States of America / Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Federation of USA (AGGUSA)

Venezuela / Federacion Venezolana de Gimnasia Estetica de Grupo (FEVEGEG)

B-members:

Austria / Allgemeiner Turnverein Graz, Tanzfabrik ATG

Bosnia-Herzegovina / Gymnastic club Olimp

China / YuHua & Dingding Arts Education Center

China / "All Star" - Chengdu Sport University Team

China / Yunna Qixiang Sport Development

India / Premier RG Academy, Mumbai

Romania / Asociatia Club Sportiv Ritmica

Singapore / D'Gymnastique Academy

Turkey / EGE University (Ege Üniversity Foundation)

Turkey / Savkar Gymnastics Sports Club

United Arab Emirates / Stryx Sports

C-members:

Armenia / Armenian National Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Federation Kyrgyzstan / Kyrgyzstan Federation of Aesthetic Gymnastics

General Assembly 2018 approved membership expulsion below:

Belgium / Studio Adagio, B-member

Singapore / Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Singapore, B-member

A-GATEGORY

World Championships / Junior World Championships / IFAGG Trophy / European or other continental Championships

World Cup / Challenge Cup for juniors

Mediterranean Champiosnhips / EUSA patronage university competitions

Four continent competition / Pan-American competition other approved A-cat. Competitions

B-GATEGORY

Other International competitions what IFAGG had appoved for B-cat.

C-GATEGORY

National Competitions

World Championships

World Championships, Junior World Championships and IFAGG Trophy for mixed teams were held in 8–10 June 2018 in Budapest, Hungary. 20 IFAGG member countries were representing in this IFAGG annual main event. World Championships medalists: gold Madonna / RUS, silver Minetit / FIN and bronze Expressia / RUS.

Country ranking / World Championships 2018

- 1. Russia / Teams: Madonna, Expressia and Nebesa
- 2. Finland / Teams: Minetit, OVO Team and Gloria
- 3. Japan / Teams: Team Japan, Team Shoin and JWCPE AGG Team
- 4. Ukraine
- 5. Italy
- 6. Spain
- 7. Canada
- 8. Faroe Islands
- 9. Hungary
- 10. Denmark
- 11. Czech Republic
- 12. France
- 13. Bulgaria
- 14. Estonia
- 15. Austria

World Cup and Junior Challenge Cup competitions and continental competition events 2018

World Cup I and Challenge Cup I 15–18 March 2018 Vantaa, Finland World Cup II and Challenge Cup II 12 – 15 April 2018 Graz, Austria World Cup III and Challenge Cup III 26–28 October 2018 Paris, France World Cup IV and Challenge Cup IV Finals 22–25 November 2018 Santos, Brazil European Championships, Junior European Championships 11–13 May 2018 Tallinn, Estonia Pan-American Tournament 26–29 September 2018 Santos, Brazil Asia-Pacific Cup 4-6 May 2018 Chengdu, China

Important part of spreading the sport have been international B-category competitions:

- Miss Valentine -competition, Tartu Estonia 14–18 Feb 2018
- Easter Cup, Greve, Denmark 30. March 1. April 2018
- Steiermark Cup, Graz, Austria 12.-14. April 2018
- Asia & Pacific competition for children, Chengdu, China 4.-6. May 2018
- Spring Breeze competition, Tallinn, Estonia 10.-11. May 2018
- Spark Cup, Budapest, Hungary 8.-9. June 2018
- Mediterranean country competition for children, Paris, France 26.-27. October 2018
- Pan-American Tournament for children, Santos, Brazil 22.-25. November 2018

Competitions for students were organized

 EUSA patronage open student competition 14-15- April 2018 Graz, Austria with 6 university teams

FINANCES

IFAGG is non-profit organization. Membership fees, gymnast and judges license fees are the principal source of income.

General Assembly 2017 decided to keep membership fees and registration fees for 2018 unchanged. Registration fees must be paid once (1.) / membership level (when approved as new member for A-, B- or C-level member.

MEMBERSHIP FEE (paid annually)

A-member: 1200 EUR B-member: 600 EUR C-member: 200 EUR

REGISTRATION FEE A-member: 400 EUR B-member: 300 EUR C-member: 200 EUR

IFAGG incomes came from competition and educational activities; main income from license fees and course participating fees. Base for finances are membership fees and license fees. Result of year 2015 ended up negative (-7 196,18 EUR) and year 2016 result was positive +17 989,90 EUR. Previously inspected year 2017 result was +30 104,74 EUR. Last year 2018 ended 60 023,63 EUR surplus. This is good base for development work and auditor also thank IFAGG for strengthening the finances. IFAGG got 20 000 EUR subsidy from the Finnish Ministry of Culture and Education for year 2018. This subsidy is intended for spreading the sport of AGG for new countries, what was achieved as planned. New register (CRM) was introduced and in the future the system will help with good governance and transparency as well consider GDPR. This is crucial for helping administration according to laws and regulations and to have the necessary statistics information for IFAGG development work. In the future IFAGG's aim is to strengthen the finances to have healthy economics.