

# NAVIGA WORLD ORGANISATION FOR MODELSHIPBUILDING AND MODELSHIPSPORT

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#### SUMMARY OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The General Assembly was held on November 8, 2025, in an online format. The record keeper of this Assembly was Daniel Ciosu, General Secretary.

## 1. Opening and welcome of the members by the Presidents of NAVIGA

The President of NAVIGA opened the General Assembly at 12:00 (local time). He welcomed and thanked all delegations present.

# 2. Naming of delegates and approval of their voting rights

The delegates were named and their voting rights were approved. There were **17 countries present**, holding a total of **51 votes**. Belgium, Hong Kong, and Austria delegated their votes.

## 3. Confirmation of decision-making ability

The GA confirmed it had full decision-making capacity. The quorum was established.

#### 4. Approval of the agenda and urgent matters

The agenda was approved.

## 5. Report of the Presidium

The General Secretary mentioned that all reports had been published on the NAVIGA website and emailed to member countries.

The President proposed moving to the next item on the agenda, and all agreed.

## 6. Reports of the Section Leaders

Same situation as under point 5: reports were already published and distributed.

# 7. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported that the financial situation is very good, with over **48,000 EUR** in the bank. He proposed that each section continues to have **3,000 EUR** available for competitions and equipment. Unused funds may be carried over for a period of two years.

The proposal was unanimously approved.

The Treasurer also reminded member countries:

- A country **cannot** pay and later request a refund because it did not participate or because it wants to change sections.
- Countries must clearly specify at the beginning of each year the section(s) they pay for.
- A section fee **cannot** be paid only in the year when competitions take place.

# 8. Acceptance of new members and exclusions

The President stated that fortunately no member needed to be excluded. NAVIGA remains open to welcoming new members, as long as all rules are respected.

A proposal from the Netherlands to reduce the membership fee from 300 EUR to 100 EUR was discussed.

After discussion within the Presidium, a new membership category was proposed:

#### "Limited Responsibility Member"

• Annual fee: 100 EUR

• Section fee: 100 EUR for ONE section only

- Maximum **two competitors** per year
- No voting rights in the GA

This category supports smaller countries with few competitors.

If a country wishes to participate in more sections or with more competitors, normal membership fees apply.

A country may **not** register multiple limited memberships for different sections.

The GA unanimously approved this proposal.

# 9. Proposals for European and World Championships

The following proposals were presented:

• Romania: 2026 European Championship, Class C

- Bulgaria: 2026 World Championship, Classes A/B
- Poland: 2026 World Championship, Classes M/E (triangle course)
- Poland: 2027 World Championship, Class C

All proposals were unanimously approved.

Countries wishing to host events are encouraged to contact the General Secretariat and the respective Section Leader.

#### 10. Proposals and discussions (timely and late)

Hong Kong proposed the introduction of a new class within Section S.

The Section Leader refused, citing the lack of specific rules and stating that new classes cannot be introduced without proper regulation.

Further discussions will take place once more details become available.

#### 11. Discussion and vote on new rules of the sections

The President discussed the possibility of granting all competitors the right to file a protest against judges' decisions.

Currently, this right does not exist in Class C and NS.

It was proposed to:

- Introduce protest rights in all sections
- Set the protest fee at 50 EUR for all sections

The proposal was unanimously approved.

Each section must add this rule to its own regulations and to the General Competition Regulations, effective **January 1, 2026**.

#### 12. Other matters

The issue of Ukraine's exemption from fees was raised again.

A proposal was made to exempt Ukraine from paying fees for the next two years or until the end of the conflict.

Amendment: fee exemption would result in the loss of votes corresponding to the paid sections. Ukraine was given two options:

- Fee exemption with **one vote only**, or
- Payment of fees with full voting rights.

The Ukrainian representative chose the fee exemption.

The proposal was unanimously approved.

The situation of the **two federations from Hong Kong**, each covering different sections, was discussed due to an incident at the World Championship involving one competitor. The Chinese delegate agreed to accept both Hong Kong federations as long as **they do not participate in the same competitions**. We will talk to the competition organizer to refund the participation fee.

# **End of the General Assembly**

The President declared the General Assembly closed at 14:16 (local time).

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