
International Powerlifting Federation (IPF) 2025 Extraordinary General Assembly

At the request of the acting IPF President Sigurjón Pétursson and in accordance with Articles 6.3.2. and 6.3.3 of the IPF Constitution an Extraordinary General Assembly (EGA) meeting is hereby scheduled to take place at the date, time, and place set out immediately below:

**LUXOR Chemnitz Congress Hall & Veranstaltungszentrum Hartmannstraße 9 – 11
09111 Chemnitz, Germany
Wednesday, June 11, 2025, | Meeting Start Time: 09:00hrs, Registration start time: 08:30**

The Extraordinary General Assembly will be conducted in hybrid form. Those that cannot attend in person can participate on-line. Further instructions on how to connect, take part and vote on-line will be sent to you at a later date.

All nominations were received from the enclosed IPF Member Federations before Wednesday April 30, 2025, at 23:59 CET.

On May 9, 2025, the Law and Legislation Commission met and confirmed the following candidates, except for Gaston Parage, are in good standing to stand for election on June 11, 2025.

Candidates to Stand for Election

President:

Sigurjon Petursson (Iceland)

Gaston Parage (Luxembourg)

The IPF Executive Committee (EC) is of the opinion that Mr. Gaston's Parage's admission - both oral and written - on 10 and 11 March 2025, including his response to the questions, "Did you pay for sex?" to which he stated, "Yes, three times, constitute behavior incompatible with the responsibilities and ethical standards expected of an IPF President.

These events took place at the 2024 IPF Masters World and Commonwealth Championships in Sun City, South Africa. The conduct in question - engaging in prostitution, which is illegal under South African law - constitutes an offense involving moral turpitude. This behavior is considered to have caused serious harm to the reputation of the IPF and to be contrary to its best interests.

Moreover, the matter was further publicized in two emails circulated to all members of the IPF EC and others, thereby amplifying the reputational damage to the IPF. As president of an international sports federation, Mr. Parage was obligated to conduct himself in a manner that upheld public morals, conventions, and decency as well as the ethical and integrity standards of the IOC. His actions have brought the IPF into public disrepute and will reflect negatively on the federation, its sponsors, and the broader international sports community.

Accordingly, the IPF EC, after consulting with the Law and Legislation Commission, has determined that it cannot accept Mr. Gaston Parage's nomination for the office of President and does not permit him to stand as a candidate for election at the IPF Extraordinary General Assembly to be held in Chemnitz, Germany, on 11 June 2025.)

Vice-President:

Dietmar Wolf (Norway)

Linda McFeeters (Canada)

Pavel Filleborn (Poland)

Treasurer:

Detlev Albrings (Germany)

Garmez Parks (US Virgin Islands)

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Note:

If Acting IPF President Sigurjón Pétursson runs for the position of president and is elected, then the EGA will need to elect a new IPF Vice President. If Sigurjón Pétursson is not elected as IPF President and another candidate is chosen, he will return to his role as IPF Vice President. The same applies to the position of IPF Vice President. If Sigurjón Pétursson is not elected as the new IPF president, acting IPF vice president Dietmar Wolf will return to his position as IPF treasurer. If Sigurjón Pétursson is elected as IPF president and Dietmar Wolf runs for the IPF Vice President position and is elected, then the EGA will need to elect a new IPF Treasurer. If Dietmar Wolf is not elected as the new IPF Vice President, he will resume his position as IPF Treasurer.

Robert Keller

Secretary General

International Powerlifting Federation

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