

## Event Website for the FAI World Air Games Dubai 2015 Now Up and Running

Lausanne, Switzerland, 27 July 2015 – FAI invites you to visit the new <u>event website for the FAI</u> <u>World Air Games Dubai 2015</u>. Managed by the Emirates Aerosports Federation (EAF) as the host of the event, it offers quick and easy access to essential information about the Games.

Dynamic, colourful, user-friendly and relevant: the website gives viewers a sound understanding of this exciting event while at the same time showing just how thrilling air sports competitions can be. Visitors can find all the latest news and details covering subjects such as the selected sports and disciplines that will take place, the schedule of events and also the medical symposium that will take place concurrently to the sporting events.

"The eyes of the world will be on the FAI World Air Games Dubai 2015 in December, as they will be the biggest air sports event ever organised. Hard-fought competitions involving the best of the best athletes will amaze the spectators on site, but that is not all: this state-of-the-art website, along with the social media, will contribute to the strong online buzz around the event," FAI President Dr John Grubbström commented. "Clearly, the Organising Committee designed the website with in mind the exceptional nature of the Games and the objective of showcasing them globally."

The website will be updated regularly as the start of the Games approaches. New features will be added such as information about the athletes together with a gallery of pictures and videos.

<u>www.worldairgames.aero</u>

## About the FAI World Air Games

The FAI World Air Games, conducted under the rules of the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI), is the premier international multi-discipline air sports event fielding the world's top Air Sports athletes.

The FAI World Air Games 2015 has been awarded to the United Arab Emirates and will be held in Dubai. This multi-discipline event will be organised by the Emirates Aerosports Federation under the patronage of the Crown Prince of Dubai, His Highness Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum and will take place from 1 to 12 December 2015.

Ten air sports are programmed: Aerobatics, Aeromodelling, Aerostats (balloons & airships), Amateur-Built Aircraft, General Aviation, Gliding, Microlights & Paramotors, Parachuting, Paragliding and Rotorcraft.

The FAI's primary goals for this event are to determine "FAI World Air Games Champions"; to showcase air sports to the general public and promote public participation in air sports by attracting new participants to air sports disciplines; to promote FAI events to other sports organisations and to create an attractive platform for TV, media and other external stakeholders.

The past editions of the Games took place in Turkey (1997), Spain (2001) and Italy (2009).

## About FAI

The <u>Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI)</u>, also known as the World Air Sports Federation, is the world governing body for air sports and for certifying world aviation and space records. The FAI

was founded in 1905 and is a non-governmental and non-profit-making organisation recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

FAI activities include Balloons and Airships, Power Flying, Gliding, Helicopter flight, Parachuting, Aeromodelling, Aerobatics, Hang Gliding, Microlight and Paramotor Flying, Amateur Building of aircraft, Manpowered Flying, Paragliding and all other Aeronautic and Astronautic sporting activities.

## About EAF

The <u>Emirates Aerosports Federation (EAF)</u> is an Active Member of the FAI. It was established in 2012 as a non-profit organisation to coordinate and give direction to the fast development of air sports in the United Arab Emirates.

EAF activities include the establishment of rules for the control, certification, and regulations for the air sport events which are organised by members within the Emirates. EAF also promotes safety in sport.

Dubai has organised the Dubai International Parachuting Championship every year since 2010 and in 2012, organised the FAI World Parachuting Championships (Mondial 2012) with 1,440 participants from 57 countries participating in 13 different disciplines, thus making it the biggest ever Parachuting event. Many other air sports events have taken place in the UAE in the last few years, including the AI Ain Aerobatic Show and the Red Bull Air Race Abu Dhabi.

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