# EAST ASIAN ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION

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# 2<sup>nd</sup> EAAA Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: October 25, 2023 Meeting Location: Yangzhou, China Meeting Participants:

Position	Name	Member Federation	Note
President of AA	Gen.Dahlan Al-Hamad	AA	online
Secretary-general of AA	A. Shuggumarran	АА	
President	WANG Nan	CHN	
Vice Presidents	KIM JUNG-BONG	KOR	
	WANG Ching-Cheng	ТРЕ	
Individual Council Members	KWAN Kee	HKG	
	Akira KAZAMA	JPN	
General Secretary	WANG Leping	EAAA	
Chairman of Competition Committee	LI Guoqing	EAAA	
Staff	Colleen TANG	EAAA	
	Juston LIN	TPE	

## Topic 1 Address by Gen.Dahlan, President of AA

Gen.Dahlan, President of AA, recognized the work carried out by the EAAA, congratulated China for successfully hosting the Asian Games in Hangzhou, and congratulated the Member Federations of the EAAA for their good performances at the Asian Games. President Dahlan encouraged the regional associations to actively organize high-standard regional level events. In addition, President Dahlan emphasized the need for regional associations to pay more attention to women's participation and organize more development seminars to increase women's participation.

## Topic 2 Address by Shuggumarran, General Secretary of AA

Shuggumarran, General Secretary of AA, expressed that East Asia is the most active

region in Asia and expressed his gratitude to President Wang Nan for facilitating the organization of the first East Asian U20 Athletics Championships in Yangzhou. He also encouraged larger federations to better support the development of smaller federations.

#### Topic 3 Introduction of the recent work of the EAAA by president Wang Nan.

President Wang Nan officially became the Vice-President of the new Council of Asian Athletics as the President of the EAAA at the AAA Congress in July 2023. Wang Ching-Cheng, KWAN Kee and Yuko Arimori were also successfully elected as the council members of AA. Since the first council meeting was held in April this year, the Secretariat has been actively promoting the work of the EAAA. In order to organize and manage the competitions, the EAAA established the EAAA Competition Committee. Subsequently, the Competition Committee and the Yangzhou Organizing Committee carefully prepared for the first East Asian U20 Athletics Championship. In addition, the Competition Committee prepared the EAAA 2024 Competition Plan and the draft Rules for East Asian U20 Athletics Championships & East Asian Half Marathon Championships for consideration by the Council.

#### Topic 4 Report on the First East Asian U20 Athletics Championships

Li Guoqing, Chairman of the Competition Committee, introduced the preparations for the first East Asian U20 Athletics Championships. The event would be held in Yangzhou, China on October 26-27, 2023, with a total of 146 athletes from seven Member Federations. Afterwards, Li Guoqing introduced the details of the event such as the technical delegates, venues, events and competition schedule.

#### **Topic 5 Approve the EAAA 2024 Competition Plan.**

The Council unanimously approved the EAAA 2024 Competition Plan that the East Asian Half Marathon Championships will be held in 2024.

# Topic 6 Review the Rules for East Asian U20 Athletics Championships & East Asian Half Marathon Championships

The Council reviewed the draft Rules for East Asian U20 Athletics Championships & East Asian Half Marathon Championships, and several council members proposed amendments to the specific rules as follows:

1. The number of events at the East Asian U20 Athletics Championships shall be adjusted to at least 25 events and no more than 30 events;

2. The Jury of Appeal shall be appointed by EAAA Council;

3. The age requirement for participating athletes shall be adjusted to: U18, U19 and U20 athletes are eligible to participate.

The Council unanimously agreed that the Competition Committee shall amend the above rule and the Council shall reconsider the proposal by email after the meeting.

#### **Topic 7 East Asian Regional Report**

According to the requirements of the AA, the EAAA is required to submit the East Asian Regional Report on November 24, 2023 to the AA. The Secretariat will prepare the regional report, which will mainly include: introduction of the regional competition and participation; demand for new training courses in the region; implementation of the Asian Strategic Plan; difficulties faced by the region's development; plan for hosting meetings in 2024; and the resolutions formed in the previous regional meetings.

#### **Topic 8 Report on the 2023 East Asian Half Marathon Championships**

KWAN Kee introduced the preparations for the 2023 East Asian Half Marathon Championships. The championships will be held on November 19, 2023, and the course will be the Hong Kong section of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB). The number of participants is expected to be 8,000, and the organizing committee will provide the corresponding prize money. China, Japan, Republic of Korea, Macau, China, Chinese Taipei and Hong Kong, China have already entered a team to participate in the championships, but it is still uncertain whether Mongolia will send a team to participate.

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