

## Jury Report

### **2022 FAI F5J European Championship for RC Electric Powered Thermal Duration Gliders Class Seniors and Juniors**

**21- 27 August 2022, Szeged, Hungary**

#### **Summary**

The whole event ran over seven days without any problems in mostly the best weather conditions. The organization was able to adhere precisely to the planning and program. The great experience of contest Director László Markó has made a significant contribution to this event. The huge flat competition site of Szeged airfield contributed to the great success, too.

#### **Competitors**

Seniors: 74 (Woman 3)

Juniors: 23 (Woman 3)

#### **Teams**

Seniors: 25

Juniors: 12

#### **Organization**

Contest Director: László MARKÓ

Contest Director assistant: Ferenc PÁSKAI

Computer services: Zsolt GYÖRI

#### **FAI Jury**

President of Jury: Emil GIEZENDANNER SUI

Member of Jury: Dr. András REÉ, HUN

Member of Jury: Sotir LAZARKOV, BUL

#### **Contest Site**

The Szeged airfield consists of a huge grass area, a hard-surface runway and two grass runways for flying man-carrying aircraft. The airport was closed for man-carrying aircrafts during competition flights and they were only allowed to use the airport airspace before, between and after the competition starts. The contest director was in constant radio contact with the airport control tower during the championship. The contest site cannot be better for great F5J competitions.

#### **Infrastructure**

At the entrance to the airfield there are hangars, a commercial building with toilets and showers (additional toilets on the competition area), car parking and camping. One hangar was allowed to be used by the contestants for safe storage of their models at night. Models processing also took place there. A kind of "social center" was the food tent next to the hangar. All meals could be taken there by participants and helpers. The banquet was held in the center of Szeged.

**F5J-Sport**

The F5J sport has evolved quite tremendously since 2018 (Dupnitsa). The models have become much more powerful and the skill of the competitors is always a source of amazement. Again and again to observe that models from 20 to 30 m starting position, without motor up to the visibility limit have risen.

The FAI jury never had to intervene in the competition. However, they could support the competition management. In particular, Sotir Lazarkov (Chairman. CIAM F5 Subcommittee) was able to practically support the competition management, again and again, thanks to his experience. No protests or claims were received.

**Conclusion**

This 2nd F5J European Championship in Szeged was a very successful sporting event. Congratulations and thanks are due to the Hungarian Model Flying Association and the organizing modeling pilots and – not forgetting – their families.

In the name of the FAI Jury

August 31, 2022

Emil Giezendanner

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Sotir Lazarkov