



Minutes of the 2026 Extraordinary General Assembly of the European Rowing Confederation

**Budapest, Hungary
Saturday, 28 March 2026 at 16:30hrs**

Pullman Budapest hotel, Conference Room Roxy, 38 Nagymező str., Budapest, 1065, Hungary

Attendees:

European Rowing Board:

- Patrick Rombaut, Vice and Interim President
- Eva Szanto
- Neville Tanzer
- Dusan Machacek
- Asunción Lorient

World Rowing:

- Jean-Christophe Rolland, President
- Annamarie Phelps, Vice President
- Vincent Gaillard, Executive Director
- Christine Jacobsen, Events Manager & ERB Liaison

Member Federations:

AUT, AZE, BEL, BLR, BUL, CRO, CYP, CZE, DEN, ESP, EST, FRA, GBR, GER, GRE, HUN, ITA, MON, NED, POL, ROU, SLO, SRB, SUI, SVK, TUR.

1. Opening of the session

Patrick Rombaut welcomed delegates to the 2026 Extraordinary General Assembly.

Patrick proposed a minute's silence in honour of Davide Tizzano (ITA) and others who have passed away.

2. Identification of the delegates and confirmation of their authority

26 votes in total. Simple majority-14.

3. Appointment of scrutineers for the period of the Meeting.

Patrick Rombaut proposed Gwenda Stevens of Belgium and Sava Popovic of Serbia. The delegates approved to appoint the scrutineers for the meeting.

4. Approval of the Minutes from the 2025 General Assembly held in Plovdiv

Patrick apologised that the minutes were not shared for MFs for approval. Patrick suggested postponing approval to the 2026 General Assembly in Varese and combining it with approval of the Minutes from the 2026 Extraordinary General Assembly.

5. Elections

Before the elections the ERB proposed to the Assembly to award Algirdas Raslanas as Honorary Board Member, and to award Annamarie Phelps European Rowing Honorary President.

a. Election – European Rowing Board MF Representative

Election for one position on the European Rowing Board for the position currently held by Annamarie Phelps (GBR). Presentation of candidates by nominating MF (max. 3 minutes).

Two nominations were received:

- Morten Juel Hansen (DEN)
- Katharina v. Kodolitsch (GER)

Patrick took the floor to run the elections. Morten and Katharina left the room.

Bo Kaliszan of Denmark made a nomination speech for Morten Juel Hansen, Moritz Petri of Germany made a nomination speech for Katharina v. Kodolitsch.

Vote 1, secret ballot.

Out of 26 votes, 16 for Morten, 10 for Katharina, abstention 0.

b. Election of the ERC President

Election for one position on the European Rowing Board for the position held by Annamarie Phelps (GBR). Presentation of candidates by nominating MF (max. 3 minutes).

Two nominations were received:

- Asunción Loriente Perez (ESP)
- Neville Tanzer (SUI)

Patrick took the floor to run the elections. Asunción and Neville left the room.

Miguel Angel Millan Carrascosa of Spain made a nomination speech for Asunción. Andrés Gurovits of Switzerland made a nomination speech for Neville Tanzer.

Vote 1, secret ballot.

Out of 26 votes, 14 for Asunción, 12 for Neville, abstention 0.

For information, the terms of office for the MF elected positions on the ERB also include Neville Tanzer (SUI, 2026), Eva Szanto (HUN, 2027).

The positions of the World Rowing representatives on the European Rowing Board are currently held by Patrick Rombaut (BEL), Jacomine Ravensbergen (NED) and Dušan Macháček (CZE). Their current mandate ends on 31 December 2029. Patrick Rombaut will reach the age of 70 in 2026 therefore he will retire from his ERB role on 31 December 2026. World Rowing Council will propose a new member to replace him and complete his mandate.

6. Any other business

A reminder that the 2026 General Assembly will be held in Varese in the afternoon of Saturday, 01 August. The location will be the Hotel Capolago, where also the Nations Dinner will take place.

Patrick Rombaut closed the GA.