



EWF EB main decisions in the second half of 2025

- Introduction of the EWF Athletes' Commission representatives.
- The Vetting Panel's report was presented by the General Secretary to the Executive Board for final approval of the appointments. All Executive Board members voted in favor. Following this approval, Rusudani Muradashvili and Stefan Botev continued their participation as members of the EWF Executive Board.
- The European Youth & U15 Championships were allocated to Riga, Latvia, for 2027, and to Toulouse, France, for 2028.
- The 2026 EWF Training Camps were allocated to Switzerland, to be held from 13–20 July 2026, and to Armenia, scheduled for November/December 2026.
- Support was approved for the organization of the 2025 Balkan Weightlifting Championships, the 2025 and 2026 Small Nations Tournament, and the 2025 EU Weightlifting Confederation.
- The Executive Board decided to proceed with negotiations with Easy Weightlifting regarding future cooperation with the EWF and to ensure that livestreaming on the EWF platform remains free for viewers.
- A working group was established to propose candidates for the 2025 EWF AIPS Europe Best European Weightlifter and Rising Star Awards:
- Jesmond Caruana, EWF Vice President and EWF CRSC Chairman – Chairman of the Working Group
- Ivona Gavran, EWF Athletes' Commission President
- Despina Polaktsidou, EWF Athletes' Commission Secretary
- The EWF ITOs Seminar will be held in Rome, Italy, on 12–13 December 2025.
- The 2025 European Junior & U23 Championships will be used as a qualification event for the 2026 Commonwealth Games.
- EWF Associate Members may participate in EWF-recognized additional age-group events, namely the European U15 and European U23 Championships.



- The EWF supports scientific research proposed by the Faculty of Sports Studies at Masaryk University in Brno, Czech Republic, during the 2025 European Junior & U23 Championships. The research will focus primarily on anthropometric assessments, including body composition and body ratios, as well as strength diagnostics using dynamometric force platforms, conducted voluntarily in the training hall among participating female and male athletes.
- The EWF approved the design, development, and maintenance of the website athletes.ewf.sport.
- With the aim of contributing to the IOC Sustainable Development Goals, the EWF supports the production and distribution of sustainable event merchandise for athletes, in particular reusable water bottles made of recycled plastic and related items.
- The EWF will continue collecting data and further developing the website results.ewf.sport.
- Mr. Attila Adamfi was appointed as the EWF representative in the IWF Strategic Plan Working Group.
- A partnership with the EU Office for Sport in Brussels was established, and Mr. Stian Grimseth and Ms. Denise Offermann were appointed as project coordinators.
- The 2026 European Junior & U23 Championships were allocated to Albania.
- The 2028 European Youth & U15 Championships were allocated to Poland.
- Poland was requested to provide a guarantee letter confirming that all EWF Member Federations can obtain visas to participate in the 2026 European Youth & U15 Championships, with a deadline of 31 January 2026.
- The 2026 EWF Ordinary Congress and the Extraordinary Partial Electoral Congress, with elections solely for one vacant position on the EWF Coaching, Research and Scientific Committee and four vacant positions on the Medical Committee, will be organized and held on 17 April 2026 in Batumi, Georgia.
- The composition of the Vetting Panel remains as constituted for the 2025 Electoral Congress.
- The EWF Executive Board unanimously approved the new U15 boys' and girls' bodyweight categories. These categories will enter into force on 1 August 2026:
 - U15 Boys: 51 kg, 55 kg, 60 kg, 65 kg, 70 kg, 75 kg, 85 kg, +85 kg
 - U15 Girls: 41 kg, 45 kg, 49 kg, 53 kg, 57 kg, 61 kg, 69 kg, +69 kg