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### PORTRAIT



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Born in Lleida, 52, Pere Lavega holds a university degree in physical education and a doctorate in philosophy and pedagogy. His doctoral thesis focused on the process of transforming skittles into sport in his native region. He is Professor at the National Institute of Physical Education of Catalonia (INEFC) (University of Lleida) in Physical Activity and Sport Sciences, specialising in the field of motor games (basic manifestations of human kinetics). He is accredited for his research activities by the Quality Agency of the Universities of Catalonia (AQU). He has promoted numerous training activities relating to TGSs. Currently, he is the research director, coordinator of the research group in motor action recognised by the Catalan government at INEFC; he is member of the TEC research group of the University of Paris Descartes (UFR STAPS); he has directed 9 doctoral theses and 6 in the course of elaboration presented by Spanish, Portuguese, Colombian and Brazilian doctoral students. He also participates in research programs in various countries (Switzerland, Portugal, Brazil, Algeria). He has organised numerous international conferences, congresses and seminars, as well as written a great amount of articles and books, participated in numerous exhibitions, papers and ensured the scientific coordination of various European projects concerning TSGs. He is a founding member of AEJeST as well as founding member and vice-president of the International Association of TSG (ITSGA). He is also founding member of the International Association of Motor Praxeology (AIPRAM). Member of the UNESCO Advisory Committee for the safeguarding and promotion of TSGs, he is also chair of the UNESCO working group of policy guidelines for the safeguard and promotion of TSGs.

### AEJeST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### A historic Assembly

The AEJeST General Assembly took place on Saturday 28th October 2017, in Palma de Mallorca, hosted by the Balearic Slingshot Federation chaired by Pep Ribas Ribas and organised by José Angel Hoyos, both on behalf of the AEJeST.

#### Official Receptions

The assembly was accompanied by several official receptions, the first one on Friday 27th in the morning at S'Hort del Rei, at the foot of the Cathedral and the Palace of the Kings of Majorca. During this action, a press conference with the island's authorities was done. In the afternoon, when most of the delegates had reached their destination, a second ceremony took place at the Royal Palace, where, in the absence of the President of the Autonomous Community, Francina Armengol, the participants were received by Jesus Jurado, Vice-President of the Government, Pep Ribas, for the Federation of shooting with the slingshot, Guy Jaouen for the AEJeST and the representative of the government successively spoke before proceeding to an exchange of memories.





## AEJeST GENERAL ASSEMBLY (continued)

### **A very representative assembly**

On Saturday 28th, from 9 am, the ordinary but also elective General Assembly was opened. Taking into account the 59 AEJeST member organisations (Federations, Universities, Associations), in that General Assembly 51 members were present or represented. After President Jaouen's words of welcome, the assembly moved on to consider the various issues on the agenda. A large majority adopted all the votes on the reports (Santander 2016 GA, moral, financial and activity report).

### **A unanimous historic turning point: the adoption of a strategic plan**

The policy debate then focused participants' attention, including the development of a strategic plan. This new organization constitutes a major turning point in the functioning of the Association, which is moving from an essentially representative structure (delegations by country and representation of the main members), to an operational organization on nine specific projects. This is a historic turning point in principle. The plan was adopted unanimously by those present at the time of the vote, by 48 votes.

### **Clear positioning always unanimous**

The other major point in the orientation of the AEJeST consisted in taking a position on the report presenting the situation of JST in Europe and on the construction of a platform in the framework of the European project led by Tafisa. Unanimously, the participants rejected the construction proposed by Tafisa and mandated their representative Guy Jaouen to inform the members and the European Commission and to renegotiate the terms of the implementation of this platform.

### **A new President and a new Council Board**

Then, the General Assembly proceeded to the election of the new Council Board (9 positions with titular and substitute). Thirteen persons stood as candidates. Fifty-one votes (51) were counted, all validated. The nine persons elected and their substitute persons were as follows: Giorgio Paolo Avigo and Milivoj Pacenti, Paulo Coelho de Araujo and Celia Marcén Munio, Fernando Diestro Gómez and Christian Delmas, Carmen Fernandez Amat and Fernando Maestro Guerrero, José Angel Hoyos Perote and David Abascal Monte, Guy Jaouen and Nicolae Dobre, Pere Lavega y Burgués and Jacques Regourd, Biel Pubill Soler and Alain Bovo, Fabrizio Vierin and Guido Théodule. They elected Pere Lavega as the new president of AEJeST.

PROYECTO	FUNCTION	Titular	Substitute
1	President	Pere LAVEGA (E)	Jacques Regourd (F)
2	International Relations Vice-President	Guy JAOUEN (F)	Nicu Dobre (RO)
3	Secretary General Vice-President.	José Ángel HOYOS (E)	David Abascal (E)
4	Economic Resources Vice-President.	Fernando DIESTRO (E)	Christian Delmas (F)
5	Linguistic Resources Vice-President	Giorgio Paolo AVIGO (IT)	Milivoj Pacenti (CR)
6	International Projects Vice-President	Paulo COELHO (P)	Celia Marcén (P)
7	Communication Resources Vice-President	Fabrizio VIERIN (IT)	Guido Theodule (IT)
8	Technological Resources Vice-President.	Biel PUBILL (E)	Alain Bovo (F)
9	Social Resources Vice-President	Carmen FERNÁNDEZ (E)	Fernando Maestro (E)



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## AEJeST GENERAL ASSEMBLY (continued)

It was then time to move on to a special convivial moment by giving a symbolic present to Mr. Guy Jaouen for the 4 year-periods he was President of AEJeST. This gift, the work of an Aveyron artist, was presented to him by the 4 elected representatives who were part of the first council board in 2001: Erik de Vroede, Fernando Diestro, Jacques Regourd and Dino Berti. An official photo of new Council was taken before returning, after a quick meal, for the opening of the conference. In this colloquium some examples of good practices in favour of the JSTs in the Balearic Islands, in different European regions and from the AEJeST were presented.



Standing, from left to right: Nicu Dobre, Guido Theodule, Fabrizio Vierin, Fernando Maestro Guerrero, Christian Delmas, Jacques Regourd, Alain Bovo, Paulo Coelho, Milivoj Pacenti.

Sitting, left to right: Biel Pubill, José Angel Hoyos, Carmen Fernandez Amat, Fernando Diestro Gómez, Pere Lavega, Guy Jaouen, Paolo Aviao.

### Places to play traditional games

The following day was devoted essentially to the TSG festival, organized at the bottom of the Cathedral, where, a great variety of TSG from France, Italy, Portugal, several regions of Spain were played. Some demonstrations of slingshot were provided by Majorcan clubs. In the afternoon, the congress delegates moved by train to Soller on a small tourist before attending a slingshot competition followed by a reception at Soller town hall, where the awards ceremony was held by the chairmanship of the mayor, Mr. Jaume Servera.





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## AEJeST GENERAL ASSEMBLY (continued))

### A team of teams, a network of networks

The Palma Assembly enshrined the formula of its new president that is concreted with the next expression: "AEJeST, team of teams, network of networks". In itself, this formula constitutes a whole program that is necessary taking into account the last events and the progressive development of the Association.

Indeed, the growing echo of the AEJeST has led on the one hand to an unprecedented development of its representativeness among sports federations, institutions and associations promoting the TSGs (museums, universities...) and basic public authorities (regions, provinces, municipalities), but also to an extension of its geographical area of influence (membership of new members from Central and Eastern Europe - Poland, Russia, Romania, Hungary, Croatia...).

This boom aroused such interest from the municipality of La Almunia de Dona Godina, in Aragon (birthplace of our friend Fernando Maestro !) that all political groups offered, The Fuerte to host the Administrative Secretariat of ETSGA. Firstly, by proposing to create, in an emblematic building ("El Fuerte"), an interpretation centre for traditional games and sports and a permanent exhibition, and then by undertaking to provide staff support for its operation; That is why, unanimously, the General Assembly decided to establish a permanent administrative secretariat in La Almunia.

This growth and these new data also justified the implementation of a strategic plan, based on the development of 9 projects actions. These projects are intended to invite to all AEJeST members than are able to help with any contribution. Thus. Justifying the idea that AEJeST becomes a team of teams, a network of networks, starting from the base of TSGs actors (sports leaders, scientists, researchers, sports or leisure leaders, teachers, elected officials, etc.).

The 9 projects are (essentially) broken down as follows:

- Project 1: Presidency, Coordination between members (mail, virtual space, videoconferences), updating of statutes and regulations, representations (national and international) and international events.
- Project 2: International relationships (Europe, UNESCO, ITSGA...).
- Project 3: General Secretariat: Preparation of meetings (AG, CA), maintenance and updating of a database on all members of AEJeST, collection and archiving of documents prepared (minutes of meetings, membership files, working documents, letters, photos) since the creation of the association, and establishment of a database.
- Project 4: Finance: provisional budget, follow-up of accounts, membership fees, and annual financial report. Financial follow-up of specific or specific operations decided by the Board of Directors or the General Meeting.
- Project 5: Linguistic resources: identification of resources, coordination of (written) translations, simultaneous translations during AG.
- Project 6: International projects: establishment of a procedure for European projects: project identification, assistance, coordination, monitoring.
- Project 7: Communication resources: exchanges between members, AEJeST newsletter, virtual magazine, opening towards other countries and associations.
- Project 8: Technological resources: web, update, creation of a blog.
- Project 9: Social resources: publications, studies, training, school integration, festivals, internal and external recognition.



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## OPERATION OF THE AEJEST COUNCIL BOARD (11-2017 / 4-2018) (11-2017/4-2018)

The priority of the newly elected members was the organization and planning of the activity for next years. A single annual meeting (winter meeting), as has been the case until now, is clearly an inadequate format for the new structural model based on the identification of nine projects that must allow to interact members with each other and remain in permanent contact. New methods of exchange have been introduced: the online meeting (videoconferences) and the virtual meeting in which the 18 members of the Board are called upon to express themselves (to vote), by e-mail on a fixed date, on a specific subject.

In recent months, the new Council, which Guy Jaouen registered in accordance with the rules of French law, met four times by videoconference (on 13/12/2017, 19/12/2017, 23/01/2018 and 13/04/2018) and during the usual winter meeting, held in La Almunia on 23 and 24 February 2018.

The first actions taken and resolutions adopted

On the proposal of President Pere Lavega, the drafting of new internal regulations was initiated, based on the statutes and regulations of certain affiliated entities. (Project 1) A virtual platform (Google Drive) is being created to facilitate the sharing of information generated by AEJeST. The essential work of digitizing documents is already advanced thanks to José Angel Hoyos (project 3). The material and documents transmitted by Guy Jaouen, Jacques Regourd and Carlos de la Villa have been classified in thematic files (proceedings of general assemblies, boards of directors, members of the association, etc.) and made available online. The principle of publishing a periodic digital bulletin of the AEJeST was unanimously agreed upon and the council decided to entrust the writing of the first issue to Jacques Regourd. Subsequently, this publication could be published every six months (May, November). (Project 7). In the social field (project 9) a procedure is being studied allowing all ETSJA members to send information, documents and other elements to be included in the web page. The JUGAJE virtual magazine published on the site will be updated and can be downloaded using a QR code. The Board also works on the translation of documents by making them available to all members. The accession of Eastern European countries requires the creation of a network among the new members. The AEJeST must make the documents accessible by implementing the three current official languages (SPA / FRA / ENG) but also other languages. An initial list of available and competent persons is being drawn up, without excluding the possibility of involving external resources (project 5). The key issues regarding new memberships related to the method of nomination and annual dues. A new membership application form is under consideration, including a written declaration by sponsors and the identification of criteria and contribution levels, based on simplified parameters. Finally, in terms of social resources, the Board studies how to improve international visibility, notably by means of actions aimed at identifying good practices within the association, and by granting individual or collective recognition. (Project 9).

### La Almunia Meeting



At the meeting of 24th February, the legal representatives of the AEJeST and the Municipality of Almunia ratified and signed their cooperation agreement. The museum section of El Fuerte has been set up with a very varied collection of material, playing instruments and photographs forming part of Fernando Maestro's collection. Soon part of the structure will house a library. Two people are currently employed part-time.

The Board renewed, by letter to the European Commission, its interest in creating a platform for traditional sports. However, he indicated that he could not share the project led by Tafisa, which led to a reaction from his secretary, Mr. Wolfgang Baumann. In the epistolary exchange that followed, President Pere Lavega developed the position of the AEJeST, with a clear text articulated around the need for equitable collaboration.