

**IFAGG**

**REPORT**

**2023**

## **International Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics, IFAGG**

International Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics, IFAGG, was established on 12 October 2003 and is the recognized world governing body of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (AGG). Already, before establishing IFAGG, AGG active countries did co-operation via international AGG Committee (2001-2003).

The IFAGG is a non-profit international federation, and it has been properly and legally registered as such. Its mission and purpose are strictly to advance the sport of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics. IFAGG is the supreme authority on all matters relating to International Aesthetic Group Gymnastics.

### **General information**

#### **1. Mission statement**

The aims and tasks of IFAGG are

- to promote the sport of AGG
- to coordinate international competitions and events
- to grant the right to host World Championships and other IFAGG authorized competitions
- to develop and maintain the international rules of AGG
- to develop training materials and education for coaches and judges
- to foster cooperative relations with other international sport organizations
- to represent the interests of AGG throughout the world when dealing with other organizations.

#### **2. Development of IFAGG during 2023**

The year 2023 marked a significant milestone for the International Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (IFAGG) as we celebrated our 20th anniversary. Throughout the year, IFAGG continued its mission to promote and develop the sport of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (AGG) globally. With notable achievements in administration, competition, and international outreach, IFAGG remains committed to advancing AGG and fostering a strong global community of athletes, coaches, and supporters.

Key highlights:

1. **20th Anniversary Celebration:** IFAGG commemorated its 20th anniversary with various special events and initiatives throughout the year. This milestone provided an opportunity to reflect on the federation's accomplishments and contributions to the growth of AGG worldwide.
2. **World Championships in Asia:** For the first time in IFAGG history, the World Championships were hosted in Asia, specifically in Kazakhstan. The event showcased the diversity and talent within the AGG community in Asia and further solidified IFAGG's commitment to global inclusivity.
3. **New Statutes Adoption:** IFAGG implemented new Statutes, reflecting the evolving needs and priorities of the federation. These updated governance structures ensure transparency, accountability, and efficiency in IFAGG's operations, laying a solid foundation for future growth and development.
4. **Launch of New Competition Rules:** IFAGG introduced new competition rules, which were long waited by athletes, coaches, and officials. These updated rules aim to enhance the

competitive experience, ensure fairness, and align with international standards, further elevating the quality of AGG competitions worldwide.

5. Developing the sport of AGG: IFAGG continued to invest in the AGG development program, including training camps, coaching and judging education, choreography support and administrative help in member countries. The aim is to increase the participation to competitions.

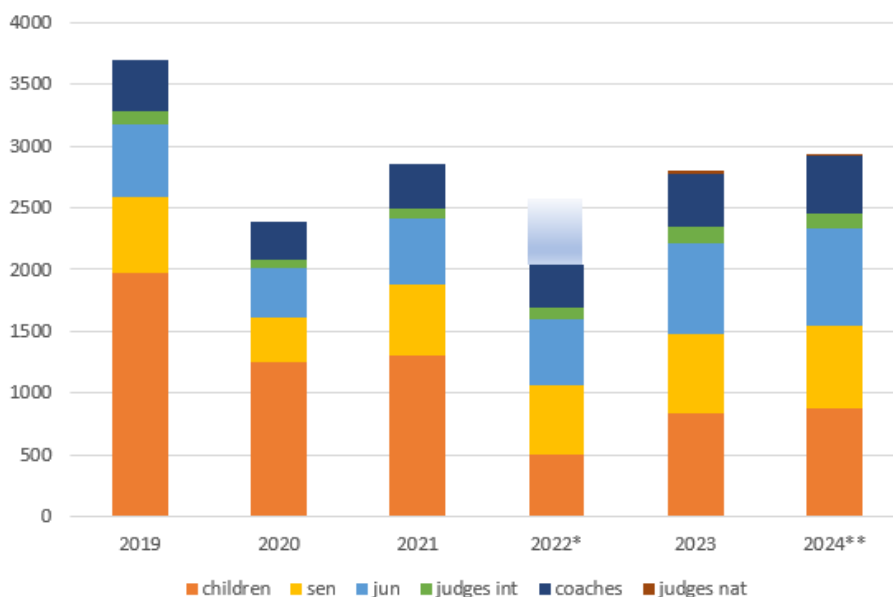
In conclusion, the year 2023 was a momentous year for IFAGG, marked by significant achievements and milestones in administration, competition, and international outreach. We thank all our members, athletes, coaches, judges, officials, and supporters for their dedication and commitment to the sport. Together, we will continue to elevate aesthetic group gymnastics to new heights in 2024 and beyond.

### 3. IFAGG Members 2023

IFAGG has members in six continents: Africa, Asia, Australia/Oceania, Europe, North and South America. At the end of 2023, IFAGG had 35 A-members and 11 B-members.

IFAGG Development program aimed to activate members to participate in international events. In 2023 the number of senior and junior licenses exceeded the amounts of year 2019 (pre-covid) and is assumed to be the highest in IFAGG history. The total license number after 2022 is not comparable to 2019-2021, as since 2022 children of 10 years and younger have not needed a license.

Number of licenses 2019-2024



\* Number by 30.9.2022, full year data not available

\*\* Estimated increase of +5% from 2023

#### A members (situation 31.12.2023)

- Andorra / Andorran Gymnastics Federation (FAG) (*new in 2023*)
- Australia / Australian Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Federation (AAGGF)
- Belarus / Belorussian Association of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (BAAGG)
- Bulgaria / Bulgarian Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (BFAGG)

Canada / Canadian Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Federation (CAGG)  
Cyprus / Cyprus Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (CFAGG)  
Czech Republic / Czech Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics  
Denmark / Danish Gymnastics Federation (DGF)  
Estonia / Estonian Gymnastics Federation (EEVL)  
Faroe Islands / Foroya Fimleikasambad (FFS)  
Finland / Finnish Gymnastics Federation (FGF)  
France / French Association of the Clubs of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics  
Georgia / National Federation of Aesthetic Gymnastics, Georgia  
Germany / Germany Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (DVAGG)  
Greece / Hellenic Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics  
Hong Kong / Hong Kong Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics  
Hungary / Pannon Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Association (Pannon AGG) (*new in 2023*)  
Israel / Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (R.A.)  
Italy / Federazione Italiana Sports Acrobatici e Coreografici (FISAC)  
Japan / Japanese Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (JFAGG)  
Kazakhstan / Kazakhstan federation of aesthetic group gymnastics (K FAGG)  
Korea (Republic of Korea) / Korea Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Federation  
Kyrgyzstan / Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics of Kyrgyz Republic (FAGG KR)  
Luxembourg / Luxembourg Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (LFAGG)  
Malaysia / Malaysian Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Association (MAGGA)  
Mexico / Federacion Nacional Mexicana de Gimnasia Estetica de Grupos (AGG MEXICO)  
Moldova / Moldavian Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (FGEGM)  
New Zealand / Aesthetic Group Gymnastics New Zealand (AGGNZ)  
Russia / Russian Federation of Aesthetic Gymnastics (RFAG)  
Serbia / Serbian Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (SFAGG)  
Singapore / AGG Association (Singapore) (AGGAS)  
Ukraine / Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics of Ukraine (FAGGU)  
United Kingdom / GB Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Federation (GBAGGF)  
United States / USA Federation of Aesthetic Group Gymnastics (AGGUSA)  
Venezuela / Federacion Venezolana de Gimnasia Estetica de Grupo

**B members** (situation 31.12.2023)

Austria / Allgemeiner Turnverein Graz, ATG Tanzfabrik  
Belgium / Happy Gym – *new in 2023*  
China / Chengdu Sport University Team  
Egypt / Atletica  
India / The Phoenix Gymnastics Academy – *new in 2023*  
Indonesia / Jakrhythmic Club  
Latvia / Sport Club Crystal  
Romania / Asociatia Club Sportiv Ritmica  
Thailand Universe Gymnastics Club – *new in 2023*  
Turkey / Savkar Gymnastics Sports Club  
United Arab Emirates / DuGym

**C-members:** no C-members during 2023 and this membership category was removed in the new Statutes.

After the new Statutes were officially approved in 2023, IFAGG can only have ordinary (A) members and club (B) members, the C-membership was removed, and from one country can be only one A member or maximum three B members.

In General Assembly 2023, the following members were expelled:

A-members: Brazil / Confederaçao Brasileira Ginastic Estetica de Grupo (C.B.G.E.G.) (due to not fulfilling financial obligations)

B-members: Slovenia / Športni klub Bleščica (not fulfilling financial obligations), Luxembourg / Gymnastic Society Aurore Oetrage (as coexistence of A and B member from the same country is no longer possible)

One member resigned: B-member Andorra / FC Ordino (joined the Andorra A-member).

General Assembly decided to expel also A-member AEGEG from Spain, which had been suspended during 2023, to solve the stalemate situation with this member.

## 4. Competitions

### World Championships 2023

First time in IFAGG history, the World Championships were held in Asia, as Kazakhstan glamorously hosted the World Championships and Junior World Championships in Almaty 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> November. There were 19 teams from 12 countries in World Championships, and in juniors 15 teams from 9 countries, in this IFAGG annual main event. In IFAGG Trophy for mixed teams and short programs, there were altogether 18 teams from 4 countries.

World Championship medalists:

gold Expressia / RFAG Federation (the team competed without country name and flag)

silver The National Team / BUL

bronze National Team / BUL

Country ranking / World Championships 2023

1. RFAG Federation (teams competed without country name and flag) / Teams: Expressia, Madonna, Amuazh
2. Bulgaria / Teams: The National Team, National Team, Velbadj
3. Kazakhstan / Teams: Sunrise, Freedom, Karmelites
4. Japan (1 team), 5. Spain (1 team), 6. Israel (1 team), 7. Italy (1 team), 8. Austria (1 team), 9. Malaysia (1 team), 10. France (1 team), 11. Kyrgyz Republic (1 team)







### World Cup and Junior Challenge Cup competitions and continental competition events 2023

World Cup and Challenge Cup competitions were organized as separate competitions under World Cup/Challenge Cup status but without ranking points, as in 2021-2022, as the world situation still limited the participation to international competitions.

30.03.2023- 02.04.2023	Sofia, BGR	  IFAGG World Cup I (category: World Cup)
27.04.2023- 30.04.2023	Miramas, FRA	  IFAGG World Cup II (category: World Cup)
26.05.2023- 28.05.2023	Vantaa, FIN	  IFAGG World Cup III (category: World Cup)
20.10.2023- 22.10.2023	Chiari (Brescia), ITA	  IFAGG World Cup Final (category: World Cup)
30.03.2023- 02.04.2023	Sofia, BGR	  IFAGG Challenge Cup I (category: Challenge Cup)
27.04.2023- 30.04.2023	Miramas, FRA	  IFAGG Challenge Cup II (category: Challenge Cup)
26.05.2023- 28.05.2023	Vantaa, FIN	  IFAGG Challenge Cup III (category: Challenge Cup)
20.10.2023- 22.10.2023	Chiari (Brescia), ITA	  IFAGG Challenge Cup Final (category: Challenge Cup)

### Continental Championships

European Championships were organized in Vantaa, Finland, with 33 teams from 10 countries. In November the Four Continents Championships took place in Almaty, Kazakhstan, in connection with the World Championship event, and with teams from with 8 countries.

26.05.2023- 28.05.2023	Vantaa, FIN	  European Junior Championships (category: Continental Championships)
26.05.2023- 28.05.2023	Vantaa, FIN	  European Championships (category: Continental Championships)
23.11.2023- 24.11.2023	Almaty, KAZ	  Four Continents Championships and Four Continents Trophy (category: Continental Championships)

For the first time IFAGG introduced the AGG Asia Cup series, which consisted of three cup competitions in Malaysia, Singapore and Japan, and finals in Hong Kong. The cup series was successful, and it motivated to continue the cup series in 2024. The Asia Cup ranking 2023 was:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place: Total Gymnastique Clubs, Malaysia
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place: D'gymnastique Academy, Singapore
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Team Shoin, Japan

Important part of spreading the sport has been international B- and C-category competitions and tournaments in live and online.























During the year 2023, IFAGG Council has evaluated the situation and considered the guidance of the International Olympic Committee and Council decision regarding the restrictions of Russia and Belarus participation in competitions and events remained in force. This prevented the participation of these countries in some of the competitions and, based on national decisions, the participation

of some other countries in those competitions which Russia or Belarus participated, including World Championships. IFAGG Council continues to follow the situation and wishes that the situation would improve as soon as possible.

#### A-category competitions

19.10.2023- 22.10.2023	Chiari (Brescia), ITA	  <a href="#">AGG Mediterranean Countries Competitions</a> (category: A-category International tournament)
24.11.2023- 26.11.2023	Almaty, KAZ	  <a href="#">IFAGG Trophy 2023</a> (category: A-category International tournament)

#### B-category competitions

30.03.2023- 01.04.2023	Sofia, BGR	  <a href="#">15th Academic IFAGG Cup</a> (category: B-category International tournament)
07.04.2023- 09.04.2023	Greve, DNK	  <a href="#">IFAGG B-category Competition "EASTER CUP"</a> (category: B-category International tournament)
27.04.2023- 29.04.2023	Miramas, FRA	  <a href="#">AFCGE Cup Open I</a> (category: B-category International tournament)
25.05.2023- 26.05.2023	Vantaa, FIN	  <a href="#">SC Vantaa Open</a> (category: B-category International tournament)
26.06.2023- 29.06.2023	Cholpon-Ata, KGZ	  <a href="#">International Tournament in Aesthetic Group Gymnastics "AL-GUL"</a> (category: B-category International tournament)
30.06.2023- 02.07.2023	Ansan, KOR	  <a href="#">AGG Shine Cup International</a> (category: B-category International tournament)
07.07.2023- 09.07.2023	Burgas, BGR	  <a href="#">2nd IFAGG Balkan games and Bulgarian open AGG competition</a> (category: B-category International tournament)
08.09.2023- 10.09.2023	Budapest, HUN	  <a href="#">V. International Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Tournament "GRACIA FAIR CUP"</a> (category: B-category International tournament)
08.09.2023- 10.09.2023	Singapore, SGP	  <a href="#">AGG Singapore Cup International</a> (category: B-category International tournament)
07.10.2023- 08.10.2023	Belgrade, SRB	  <a href="#">International Aesthetic Group Gymnastics Tournament "BAMBI CUP 2023"</a> (category: B-category International tournament)
19.10.2023- 22.10.2023	Chiari (Brescia), ITA	  <a href="#">Open International AGG Tournament</a> (category: B-category International tournament)
23.11.2023- 24.11.2023	Almaty, KAZ	  <a href="#">IFAGG B-category Competition "ALMATY CUP"</a> (category: B-category International tournament)
01.12.2023- 03.12.2023	Hong Kong, HKG	  <a href="#">Queens Cup HK International AGG Tournament Championship</a> (category: B-category International tournament)
26.12.2023	Osaka, JPN	  <a href="#">Shoin Cup 2023</a> (category: B-category International tournament)



## 5. Educational activities

In 2023, IFAGG continued educational activities for judges and started international coaches' courses. The focus of courses was in AGG techniques and in new junior and women rules. IFAGG also introduced an educational management course, held in Sofia Bulgaria and online, to support IFAGG members in administrative processes, like registrations and competition organizing. The course was popular, with 39 participants from 21 members organizations.





Judges and coaches' international educational events in 2023:

11.01.2023-15.01.2023	Seoul, KOR	  IFAGG International Judges course (category: Education event)
18.01.2023-22.01.2023	Helsinki, FIN	  IFAGG International Judges course, levels 1-3 (category: Education event)
25.01.2023-29.01.2023	Sofia, BGR	  IFAGG International Judges course, levels 1-3, new rules (category: Education event)
04.02.2023	WWW, -	 Online exam for judges (category: Education event)
24.04.2023-27.04.2023	Miramas, FRA	  IFAGG International Judges and Coaches course (category: Education event)
12.05.2023	WWW, -	 Online exam for judges (category: Education event)
10.07.2023-12.07.2023	Pomorie, BGR	  International coach course of AGG (category: Education event)
11.09.2023-14.09.2023	Singapore, SGP	  IFAGG International Judges course, levels 1-3 (category: Education event)
27.09.2023-01.10.2023	Larnaca, CYP	  IFAGG International Judges course (category: Education event)

Asia Working Committee also organized an AGG IFAGG Asia International Coach Course, with the IFAGG Development Project:

- Level 1 in Kajang, Malaysia, June 4-9
- Level 2 in Tokyo, Japan, October 1-4

Additionally, IFAGG organized webinars – one management course to support members in administration and management, and two webinars to inform members on competition rules.

01.04.2023	Sofia, BGR	  IFAGG Management course (category: Webinar)
14.09.2023	Singapore, SGP	 Short program rules webinar (category: Webinar)
29.09.2023	Larnaca, CYP	 Short program rules webinar (category: Webinar)

With Council decision the judges from Ukraine were allowed to participate online and do online exam during 2023.

## 6. Disciplinary and Ethics regulations



With the updated Statutes, IFAGG also must update Code of Discipline, to align with the Statutes and to include Disciplinary Committee in the disciplinary process. Some updates were proposed already to GA 2023, but these updates to Code of Discipline were not approved, and GA 2023 decided to give the new Chairperson of Disciplinary Committee and the new Committee a task to make a proposal for changes to be decided in extra General Assembly in Spring 2024.

IFAGG General Code of Ethics is unchanged, and it is for everyone who is participating in the IFAGG activities in any role.

IFAGG follows WADA's anti-doping guidelines and continues to advance the documents and processes required by WADA. Also the new Statutes state that IFAGG declares that doping is prohibited, and the provisions of the WADA Anti-Doping Code shall apply to all persons and competitors under the jurisdiction of the IFAGG and its members.

## **Equality**

Aesthetic Group Gymnastics' history and traditions are based on "women" group gymnastics. IFAGG as an international federation has been spreading the sport for all. IFAGG has supported the development and mixed teams have been a part of IFAGG competition categories for several years, as recommended by IOC. In 2023, new competition rules for mixed teams were in development, targeting to introducing the new rules in January 2025.

Otherwise, all equality, integrity and dignity issues have been proceeded via IFAGG Code of Ethics that have been published in GA 2018.

## **7. Administration**

The highest authority and decision making body is General Assembly, in which the members have right to be represented. The Council leads the IFAGG between General Assemblies and is the executive body of IFAGG. In 2023 IFAGG had five committees to to develop IFAGG activities. IFAGG Council strengthened the development of judging by setting up a judges committee. Technical Committee continued as an extremely active and efficient committee to drive AGG technical development, supported by educational working group. The Asian Working Committee was started in January 2023 to facilitate growth in Asia. The administrative tasks are handled by the IFAGG Office.

### **General Assembly**

IFAGG's General Assembly 2023 was held on 27 November 2023 as a hybrid meeting in Almaty, Kazakhstan and online. 29 A-members and 4 B-members participated in the GA.

GA 2023 was run with the new Statutes, which were approved in the GA 2022 and came into force in August 2023 when the Finnish Patent and registry office registered the new Statutes after thorough validation. Some key changes were: IFAGG now has two types of memberships (ordinary and club members), IFAGG Council got two more members (from 6 to 8 members plus President), term of President and the Council members changed from two to four years and were limited to maximum three terms, Disciplinary Committee was initiated, and role of Technical Committee was added.

GA had an election of President and Liliya Morozova was re-elected and election of five council members and Jaana Widenius (FIN), Sarah Sherif (EGY), Saori Kubota (JPN), Lea Kriibi (EST) and Anastasya Telegina (ISR) were elected to Council. The Chairperson of Disciplinary Committee was elected to be Kirill Tervo (from Finland).

The updates to Code of Discipline were not approved, but GA 2023 decided to give the Disciplinary Committee task to make a proposal for changes and requested Council to organize an extra GA in Spring 2024.

GA 2023 voted the place of World Championships 2026 to be in Osaka, Japan.

GA 2023 appointed four honorary members: Anneli Riga (CAN), Evelyn Coop (CAN), Tarja Rasimus-Järvinen (FIN), and Marietta Dukova (BUL). They have made a great contribution to the development of aesthetic group gymnastics during the 20 years of IFAGG.

### **Extraordinary General Assembly**

No extraordinary General Assembly was held in 2023.

### **Council**

In 2023 the Council of IFAGG held 11 meetings. Meetings were organized as online meetings (1.2., 15.3., 17.4., 20.6., 23.7., 4.9., August (email meeting), 12.10., 30.10., 4.12.) or as live/hybrid meetings (20.10. in Chiari, ITA). The president led the work of the Council.

### **IFAGG Council 2023:**

- Liliya Morozova, Russia, IFAGG President
- Elena Dukova, Bulgaria, Vice President
- Annely Riga, Canada, Vice President
- Lea Kriibi, Estonia
- Saori Kubota, Japan
- Renata Vrbová, Czech Republic, Executive Director
- Jaana Widenius, Finland, General Secretary
- Sarah Sherif, Egypt (from 27.11.2023)
- Anastasya Telegina (from 27.11.2023)

During 2023, IFAGG had the following committees and working groups:

### **Technical Committee 2022-2023:**

- Krystof Havel, Czech Republic
- Polina Nochevnova, Russia
- Maria Asparuhova, Bulgaria
- Leila Timofeeva, France
- Maria Pilar Balado Rubio, Spain
- Meri Jaakkola, Finland
- Renata Vrbova, Czech Republic, responsible person for the TC

### **Ethical Committee 2023 until the GA:**

- Petra Smějová, Czech Republic, chair
- Aigerim Arpabayeva, Kazakhstan
- Svetoslava Ivanova, Bulgaria
- Päivi Lehtovirta, Finland
- Norizan Bte Ismail, Malaysia
- Loukia Trikomiti, Cyprus
- Annely Riga, responsible person for the EC

### **Judge Committee 2023-2024:**

- Victoria Chanterie, Austria
- Salla Lintunen, Finland
- Desislava Peycheva, Bulgaria

- Yana Romanova, Italy
- Margit Saidla, Estonia
- Sarah Sarraj, Malaysia
- Saori Kubota, Japan, responsible person for the JC

**Promotion Committee 2023:**

- Sarah Sherif, Egypt
- Natalia Meyn, New Zealand
- Blagovest Ignatova, USA
- Georgious Vaiopoulos, Greece
- Elena Dukova, Bulgaria, responsible person for the PC

IFAGG also had one continental committee to advance AGG development in Asia. The following countries participated the Asian AGG Committee: Hong Kong, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Malaysia, Kyrgyz Republic, Singapore, China, Turkey, Indonesia, United Arab Emirates, and as observers Egypt and New Zealand. The objective of this committee is to design and execute strategies that facilitate the growth of AGG’s influence in Asia. The committee is also tasked with identifying potential AGG countries.

**Asian Working Committee 2023:**

- Saori Kubota, Japan, Chairperson
- Yolanda Ng Wan, Hong Kong
- Madina Bekturganova, Kazakhstan
- Park Sun Yong, South Korea
- Saras Sarraj, Malaysia

**IFAGG office**

In 2023 IFAGG office operated with an own employee (80% part-time), an administrative coordinator Joanna Lervik, in the lead of IFAGG President and General Secretary. The accounting services were purchased from Tilbic Oy, and the nominated accountant has been Nina Laurila.

**Projects**

IFAGG continued the development program started in 2022 to help the members to develop and spread the sport of AGG in the countries. The project aims at achieving new participants in junior and/or women World Championships in the next 2 years, getting the members to participate with more teams in international competitions and in national competitions and educating judges and coaches in the countries.

IFAGG member & contact	Project type	Time
GymDanmark, Denmark	Judges course	September 2023
AFCGE, France	Support for competition organizing	April 2023
Kyrgyz Republic	Making Choreography	December 2022
CS Ritmica, Romania	Performance for Ministry recognition Making Choreography Junior Long	October 2022 January 2023
Germany	Judge course	1-3 December 2023
Kazakhstan	Judges course Training camp	August 2023
MAGGA, Malaysia	Judges course Making Choreography	June 2023
Moldova	Administrative support	10-12 December 2022

Serbian FAGG	Judges course Making choreography Junior team	April 2023
<b>Atletica, Egypt</b>	Judges course Making Choreography Junior team	May 2023
Asia Conference	Organizing a conference	October 2022

The development program 2022-2023 was completed in September 2023 with 11 projects. In addition to this, 4 projects in Brazil, Venezuela and USA were approved to the program, but these projects did not realize.

Development program 2023-2024 was started in October 2023, and 11 projects were approved to this program and planned to be done by September 2024.

<b>IFAGG member</b>	<b>Project activity</b>	<b>Time (planned)</b>
Asian committee (11 Asian members and New Zealand)	Coach course level 2 Coach course level 3	October 2023 Jan-Mar 2024
Moldova	AGG Seminar/judges' course Choreography	January 2024 March 2024
Hungary	Training camp <i>Choreography</i>	January 2024 <i>open</i>
Serbia	Choreography Training camp	January 2024 August 2024
France	Choreography <i>Camp</i>	January 2024 <i>open</i>
Israel	Choreography Judge course	February 2024
Italy	Choreography Training camp	August 2024
Malaysia	Workshop Camp	December 2023
Mexico	Workshop for coaches Choreography	January 2024 Jan-Feb 2024
Romania *	Training camp Judges course	June-August 2024 (cancelled)
UAE *	Organizing competition support	June 2024 (cancelled)

## 8. Promotion and media

The Asian Working Committee promoted AGG in Asia by implementing Asia Cup and hosting the international Asia coaching course. The promotion in Asia was highlighted by the first World Championships in Asian continent, as Kazakhstan hosted this IFAGG main event in Almaty.

The IFAGG Promotion Committee has promoted sport of AGG and IFAGG to some potential partners and sponsors and shared information of AGG.

The main media for IFAGG continues to be its website, which was supported with social media during key events to engage with fans and to attract new audiences.

IFAGG main media is the website *ifagg.com*. The website has been an active media for sharing news and materials for members and for public. The website has also been used to collect registrations to events and webinars. IFAGG also has a sub-site for Asia.

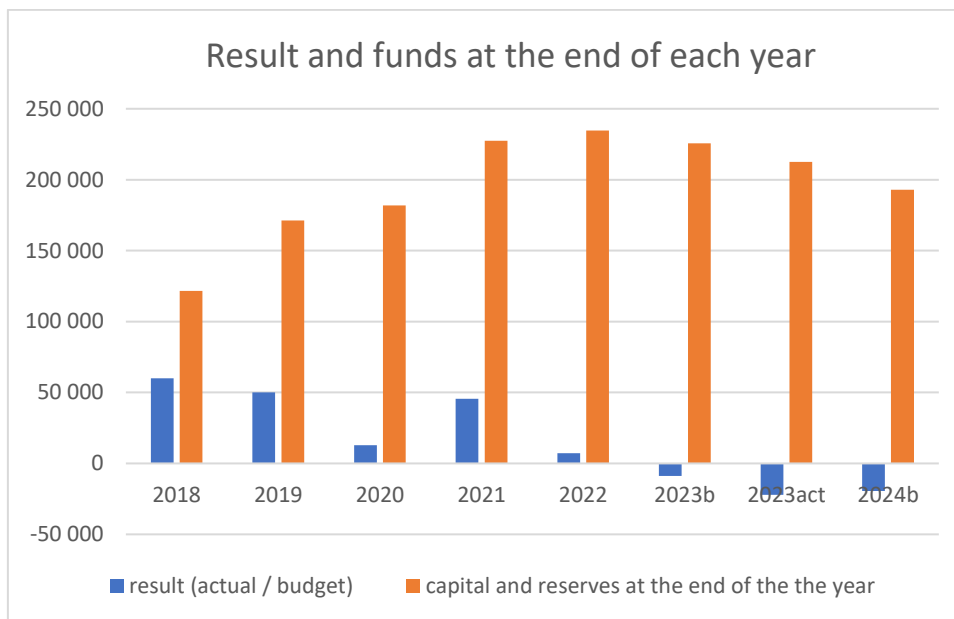
Konstantin Santalov has been responsible for providing administration, support and maintenance of the website.

During key events social media is utilized to engage with fans and to attract new audiences. In social media, IFAGG has two official accounts: in Instagram (*ifagg.aestheticgroupgymnastics*) and in Facebook. In addition to promoting biggest events, the content in IFAGG social media focuses on informing of topical news and guiding followers to IFAGG website.

## 9. Finances

IFAGG is a non-profit organization. Membership fees and license fees form the base for finances, and other key sources of income are educational events' participation fees and competition organization fees.

Development of IFAGG result and funds over years were reviewed in the General Assembly:



IFAGG incomes of actual activities increased in 2023 and were 80 848 EUR (61 621 EUR in 2022). This resulted from higher number of licenses (gymnasts, coaches and judges), higher incomes from educational activities due to more educational events and more participants and also competition organizing fees increased a bit as the competition organizing fees were returned to normal level. **Despite of increase of incomes from 2022, the actual incomes remained behind budgeted due to less education course incomes than budgeted and less competition organizing fees from world cups than planned. The increased license fee incomes (36% more than budgeted) did not cover decrease in education and competition incomes.**

In 2023, IFAGG updated the license register so that members can order their licenses themselves. This removed some administrative work and increased the operational efficiency and ensured increased license fee incomes.

However, inflation and increased flight and accommodation prices also raised expenses, as IFAGG activities require international travelling.

To continue expanding and to activate current members, IFAGG invested in Development program 26 083,68 EUR (budgeted 25 000 EUR). The development program costs consist primarily of travelling costs and instructor and choreography fees.

Compared to budget, actual personnel costs were lower, as education course instructor fees were booked under other expenses due to their nature as fees to instructors, not personnel costs.

The incomes from membership fees declined from 2022. The incomes from fundraising were 45 066,50 EUR (49 561,50 EUR in 2022). The Ukrainian federation of AGG (FAGGU) was exempted from all the payments for 2023 due to the war in Ukraine.

With these activities, the result of year 2023 ended -22 125,00 EUR (+7 138,97 EUR in 2022).

IFAGG did not get subsidies or sponsor support.

In 2023, IFAGG Council did an additional expense inspection for years 2016-2021 to ensure IFAGG funds have been spent appropriately. No clear misuse was found, and use of money has been according to law and regulations. However, there were several cases with lack of transparency, for which Council expresses strong concern of ethical implications of these deficiencies. For this reason, IFAGG continues to put effort in increasing transparency and clarifying financial regulations.

## Year 2024

The outlook for year 2024 is that economical situations in many member countries are still quite tough, while at the same time inflation is raising prices and impacting international travelling costs.

IFAGG General Assembly 2023 confirmed to keep membership fees for A and B members unchanged. Membership fee for A-members is 1200 EUR and for B-members 600 EUR. The registration fee for A-members is 400 EUR and B-members 300 EUR, and it must be paid once per membership level (when approved as new member for A- or B-level member).

IFAGG Council is keeping the gymnast licenses for children under 12 free but increased the license fee for coaches. The competition organizing fees stay the same as in year 2023.

IFAGG continues to aim at positive result from actual operations but with costs of development program and promotion the total result is planned to be on minus and to be covered from earlier years' profits. Even with the planned development investment, IFAGG's financial situation remains stable.

In February 2024 IFAGG has received an appeal from Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) regarding the expulsion of former member AEGEG. The procedure is currently suspended.