

DATE: 04/27/2021

BALLOT NUMBER: BB21-10

SUBJECT: Approval of Guest Judge Format

TO: Board of Directors

REQUESTED BY: Luiz Paulo Faccioli

BALLOT: Accept the approval by the Judging Committee of the requested four guest judges for the Imperial Baltica show in Russia, May 22-23, 2021.

YES: Armel, Brooks, Faccioli, Lawson, Russo, Shi, Stadter, van Mullem

NO: Brown, Hawksworth-Weitz, Ishimura

ABSTAIN: Antenucci

NON-VOTING: Harrison, Joseph, Rudge

COMMENTS FOR THE TREND: **Brown:** I feel quite strongly that even during COVID, TICA shows should have at least one TICA judge as these cats are being scored for RW/IW against cats evaluated by TICA licensed and trained judges to our standards. **Lawson:** I am honoring the decision of our JC.

RATIONALE: The applicable Judging Program rule for acceptance of guest judges is as follows:

410.1.6.1 The number of Guest Judges allowed to judge shows in isolated areas shall be considered on a case by case basis.

For non-isolated areas, there is a rule that severely restricts the number of guest judges allowed to officiate at a show.

Due to the pandemic, the fact that TICA has no licensed judges in Russia and travel is severely restricted, but given that the show committee is experienced, and the requested guest judges qualified, the Board supports the club in conducting this show as requested, only with Guest Judges. Judges approved by the Judging Committee are: Olga Tarnovskaya(AB/SP), Olga Gruzd (SP/SP), Liubov Rtshcheva (SP/SP). A fourth judge (AB/SP) is to be announced after approval by the JC.

This Board Ballot has Passed.