

AETF Joint Board & Committees Meeting – Public Summary

Date: 19 November 2025 | **Format:** Online Meeting | **Chair:** AETF President

Purpose

As part of the AETF commitment to communication and transparency, this summary outlines the main discussions and agreed priorities from the Joint Board & Committees Meeting, excluding confidential or sensitive information.

Attendance

AETF Board of Directors and Chairs/representatives from AETF Committees (Umpire, Tournament, Technical, Inclusion, Anti-Doping & Health, Coaches, Athletes, Media, Marketing, Development, Legal, Women's and Revisory). The IT Committee's update will be provided separately.

Key Updates and Priorities (towards European Championships 2026)

Competitions and Event Delivery

Committees reported ongoing improvements to event operations, including clearer organiser requirements and strengthened workflows. Umpire development remains a priority, with blended preparation planned through online learning and practical in-person qualification activity.

Technical Development

Progress was reported on European technical development planning, with preparations underway for a European technical course in 2026 and a host process to be opened to member countries.

Athlete Welfare: Anti-Doping, Health and Inclusion

The Anti-Doping & Health Committee reported structured progress on education and medical planning, alongside development of “Fair Play” recognition regulation through the required legal review steps. The Inclusion Committee reported continued progress and preparations for an inclusion showcase at the European Championships 2026.

Coaches and Athletes Engagement

Committees confirmed continued focus on athlete welfare and event experience, including coach certification development and plans for an “Athletes’ Corner” at the European Championships 2026 to support athletes and feedback mechanisms.

Media, Marketing and Sponsorship

Committees reported continued progress on AETF communications, website publishing processes and coordinated content management. Marketing updates highlighted delivery of brand and sponsorship tools and a focus on long-term partnership development to support event growth.

Development and Education Platforms

The Development Committee reported ongoing member consultations to inform a multi-year development strategy and continued collaboration across committees on a future online learning platform for webinars, courses and structured education.

Governance and Oversight

The Legal Committee confirmed ongoing support to committees and continued work on statutes review. The Revisory Committee reiterated risk, compliance and operational oversight, encouraging feasibility and risk consideration in committee planning.

Agreed Next Steps (High Level)

- Progress the host process for the 2026 European Technical Course
- Continue coordination on anti-doping/health education and event medical planning
- Complete online umpire training module preparations

- Progress the online learning platform through the Development Committee
 - Committees to submit final inputs for inclusion showcase and athletes' corner requirements
 - Tournament and Umpire Committees to debrief following test-event implementation updates
- AETF Board and Committee Joint ...
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Closing

The President thanked all committees and reaffirmed the importance of unity, communication and professionalism as foundations for AETF progress.