## European Union Motorcycle Européenne Union de Motocyclisme Press Release

## Report from the FIM Europe Congress in Vilnius

The 18th UEM-FIM Europe Congress started on Thursday the 27th of June in the Lithuanian capital of Vilnius. The event saw the participation of more than 250 delegates representing a total of 38 national Federations.

The event was perfectly organized by the local Federation (LMSF) at the Hotel Le Meridien, located 15 km from Vilnius city center and immersed in a splendid green scenery. The FIM Europe Congress boasted among its guests the FIM President, Mr Vito Ippolito, and two FIM Vice-Presidents, Mr Jorge Viegas and Mr Nasser Khalifa.

On Friday, several meetings were held by the Sporting and Non-Sporting Commissions, while Saturday hosted the Management Council meeting in the morning and in the afternoon the general Assembly. After the welcome by the President of the Lithuanian Federation and the message by the President, the General Assembly approved the balance sheet and budget and elected by acclamation a new vice-President: Mr Juhani Halme from Finland.

The traditional Mobility and Safety Conference was held on Sunday morning with the presence of important speaker. It was then followed by the General Secretaries Meeting. Among the topics on discussion, it was presented the "Workshop on Leadership" that FIM Europe will organize (23-24 November 2013) in collaboration with the town council of Maggiora and Maggiora Park (track that will host for the next 10 years the Motocross World Championship). During the Secretaries General Meeting was also presented the Beta version of the new FIM Europe App for smartphones.

A selection of the photos of the event can be seen (and more will be uploaded in the next days on <u>FIM Europe official Facebook page</u> or on the <u>Photo Gallery page on FIM</u> <u>Europe website</u>.

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