



## FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DES PATROUILLES DE SKI

### Technology Special Interest Group (SIG) Meetings

Wednesday, April 24, 2024 – Riksgränsen, Sweden – Library Room

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### Meeting Report

Having attended previous Technology SIG meetings at previous congresses, I was surprised at the number of interested delegates that attended. All delegates were introduced. I spoke briefly on my role as Web Administrator for the website and our Google Workplace platform.

The new chair of the group was introduced in absentia as Michal Enache, from Romania.

A discussion on "What is Technology in the Ski Industry" was discussed. We also discussed should the Technology be its own SIG and if so, what topics are worthy of continuing discussion on.

It was recommended that we create a "toolbox" of items in technology and work through them one at a time.

Suggestions for technology:

- Search & Rescue drones and infra-red/heat technology.
- Styles and types of radio equipment i.e. Blue tooth.
- Accident reporting softwares.



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- Video conferencing with suppliers.
- Women in patrolling – standards of equipment – cascade toboggans.

The meeting was adjourned and scheduled to be completed on the Friday.

### Technology Special Interest Group (SIG) Meetings

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The meeting was continued with a few additional items to be added to the “toolbox”.

More suggestions:

1. Chairlift evacuation types of equipment.
2. Congress related technologies.
  - On-site translators (Professional)
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  - Software translation for devises.
  - Chat GPT specific medical terminology

At this point in time we felt that the toolbox was pretty full.

Where to go from here. The group felt that we should try to meet on a regular basis. Google Meet was suggest and a timeline of every two months made sense to the group.



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Charlie then thanked everyone for their participation and was asked to bring Michal up to date and get the process moving forward.

Respectfully submitted

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