

# Robert Boyce

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## MANAGEMENT PROFESSIONAL

Contract Management | Service Delivery | Stakeholder Management

Experienced Management professional with proven ability to manage resources, budgets, timelines and stakeholders to deliver critical outcomes in the business and sporting environment. Expert at developing and outworking strategies aimed at achieving key deliverables and fostering innovation and excellence. Respected for ability to lead from the front, communicate effectively, negotiate outcomes and perform in high pressure, deadline oriented environments. Experienced Stakeholder Manager with an ability to foster a culture of teamwork, co-operation and dedication to shared goals through consultation and transparency.

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## COMPETENCIES OFFERED

- ◆ Contract Management
- ◆ Stakeholder Management
- ◆ Business Development
- ◆ Strategy Development
- ◆ Resource Management
- ◆ Safety Monitoring
- ◆ Contractor Negotiation
- ◆ Performance Monitoring
- ◆ Financial Management

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## BUSINESS ACHIEVEMENTS

### EASTERN TREE SERVICES (ETS)

1993 – CURRENT

#### General Manager – Vegetation

- Developed the business from 2 to 1,000 staff with revenue in excess of 140 mill per annum, over 18 years.
- Responsible for leading a range of diverse teams who successfully deliver vegetation contract nationally through consultation, co-operation and strategic planning.
- Successfully developed and implemented a range of new technologies within the business and wider industry including electronic data capture methodology and business to business data transfer.
- Successfully managed, monitored and motivated 300 internal and subcontractor resources across a number of contract areas to deliver large scale projects on time, within budget and in alignment with client KPIs.
- Continuously review, discuss and regularly challenge performance results, leading to the delivery of continual improvements in the areas of Operations, HSE and Resource Management resulting in costs savings for clients and revenue growth for the business.
- Strong focus on development of client relationships and trust through the delivery of reliable, high quality and safe services resulting in development of long term client relationships and contracts in an increasingly competitive market.
- Responsible for implementing formalized communications channels and reporting protocols with business clients in an effort to foster transparency and create “value” including management of the businesses marketing and internet content.

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## SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

### AURA (Australian Ultra Runners Association)

2011 – CURRENT

#### President

*Responsible for developing Ultra Running in Australia to elevate its recognition as a mainstream sport by all levels of Government and the community through consistent delivery of quality, challenging and safe events that continue to drive membership and participation.*

- Through strong Management, the Association has experienced sustained growth over the last 5 years, whilst continuing to actively implement strategies aimed at securing recognition of Ultra Running as a sport within mainstream Australia.
- Successfully fostered increased interest in the sport, doubling the Associations membership base from 250 to 500 members over 5 years.
- Facilitated an increase in listed racer base by over 50% to 50 to 80 racers through successful coordination and execution of quality races.
- Fostered a 30% growth in athlete participation particularly in paying events, resulting in up to 12500 entries per annum in AURA events.
- Developed appropriate strategies and policies to overcome financial challenges within the Association, increasing profitability by over 100%, whilst laying the foundations to leverage future financial success and growth.

#### **AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNING TEAM**

**2008 – CURRENT**

##### **Team Manager**

*Responsible for leading and developing the Australian Team to increase its participation and standing in the world IOU Circuit.*

- Successfully delivered consistent and strong Team performances over the last two years of participation.
- Secured national representation at almost all World Championships whilst delivering strong performance results.
- Committed to athlete development and fostering excellence, demonstrated through personal attendance at every World Championship meet since 2012.
- Driven by supporting and challenging athletes to excel at long distance endurance running demonstrated by a strong focus on securing private and government sponsorship to enable athletes to secure wider exposure to the international competition.

#### **AUSTRALIAN ULTRA RUNNING TEAM**

**2007 – 2009**

##### **Member/Athlete**

- Member of the Australian 24hr Team, attending both the 2007 and 2009 World Championships.

#### **RACE DIRECTOR**

**2007 – 2011**

- Race Director, Mansfield to Bulla, 50km, Road.

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#### **PERSONAL VISION**

Continue to work with the IAU Council in a collaborative and consultative manner to further develop and improve our organisation and the profile of our sport through -

- Development of a vision that embodies our organization and our aspirations
- Adopt benchmarks in 'best practice' and 'ethics' from other codes
- Regular and transparent communication to members and committee members
- Regular review of athletic and business performance
- Encourage a culture of learning and development among our members.

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#### **REFERENCES**

References are available on request

## Lin Gentling (USA)

*Candidate for IAU Americas Area Representative 2016 - 2020*

*Current IAU Americas Area Representative 2012 - 2016*

### Personal Profile

Full Name: Linda (Lin) Gentling

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Languages: English, German, Swahili



With the last 4 years from 2012-2016, the Americas have grown to 10 IAU America member federations, increasing by 40%. We welcomed Costa Rica, Ecuador, Peru, and Venezuela. The effort continues to address potential federations to become part of the IAU family; not just in name, but to encourage participation in our events, hosting of ultramarathons, and involvement in our IAU business. My intent is to continue to involve the Americas through frequent communication and encouragement and to represent your opinions, views, and ideas as they relate to our area, as well as to the global IAU family.

### My objectives for the next four years include:

- Encourage Continental Championship in the Americas (24 hour and 100K) and assist with proper Implementation
- Be the *point of contact* for the Americas and their liaison to the IAU
- Recruit 2-3 new countries for IAU membership from the Americas
- Encourage and work with countries in promoting athlete involvement in ultramarathons
- Communicate to member Americas what is happening within the IAU (I have access to Portuguese and Spanish interpreters to translate if necessary); liaise IAU pertinent information to America members; improve and facilitate communication between the IAU and the Americas' national governing bodies, the Americas' race organizations, athletes, media and potential sponsors
- Educate, create awareness of the labeling system, encourage races to be a part of the process, ensure results of labeled races are reported in proper format to the IAU
- Promote the strategic targets of the IAU
- Professional visibility
- Implement modern technology in communicating
- Create an *Areas* page on the IAU website as a means for communicating information pertinent to each specific area as well as making the global IAU aware of what each area is doing. Expect regular contributions from me as well as guest submissions.
- Recognize media sponsors and supporters within the Americas. Provide these media outlets with immediate reports pre and post Major IAU Competitions (MIAUC's)
- **COMMUNICATION!!!!**

### Within the Whole of the IAU:

- Strive to improve and to further create marketing methodologies to explore potential opportunities for financial funding and advertising of our MIAUC's. In so doing, achieve financial independence to provide a basis of support for the organizers of our MIAUC's
- Achieving greater recognition and participation in our 50K MIAUC
- Provide adequate documentation of what we do, resulting in preservation of our knowledge and information base, as well as providing instructional tools
- Hold council members accountable for their commitments to the IAU

- Be proactive in foreseeing what needs to be done and then doing it. Being prepared with reading and research for all IAU interactions and discussions; being accountable to my area as well as to the whole of the IAU for IAU business
- Recognize the necessary attributes each of the IAU council members bring to operate as an efficient and effective business, and then assess the strengths of all council members utilizing those strengths to benefit the IAU operations
- Where we do not have strength as council members, seek out those who do within our global IAU family. In this way we are getting more skilled people involved in the IAU, ownership of what we do will magnify, and interest and involvement will only serve to create greater awareness and participation of ultrarunning in the world. Utilize our resources.
- Utilize Area Representatives in the global business of the IAU (with their strengths and talents). Each of us should be involved in various IAU committees, taking the lead where our strengths (and interests) lie. In the past area representatives have been under-utilized
- Improving IAU communication by creating and/or revising a more professional and interactive dynamic IAU website serving our needs
- To have MIAUC's in place two years prior to the competitions
- Positioning the IAU strategically within the IAAF, National Athletics Federations, and within the trail community
- Be an ambassador for the sport of ultrarunning, promoting it within my area as well as throughout the world
- Have a presence at the MIAUCs to facilitate the smooth and efficient operation of these critical events

## **Work History:**

<b>Development Consultant</b>	Camp Victory Zumbro Falls, Minnesota	2014 - present
Solicitation of donations, grants, sponsorships and gifts-in-kind for non-profit, conduct fundraising campaigns planning/organization/implementation of special events		
<b>Special Education Teacher</b>	Rochester (MN) Public School System	2010 – 2014
<b>Senior Healthcare Finance Analyst</b>	Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota	1989 – 2009 (retired)
Operational understanding, delivering corporate finance services, strategic planning, regulatory compliance analysis, fiscal responsibility, project management, delivering educational presentations		
<b>Consultant</b>	Outward Bound, Inc	1991 - 2008
Kenya, Zambia, Lesotho, Peru, South Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Maine, Colorado, Dartmouth College		
<b>Associate Program Director</b>	Outward Bound Minnesota, North Carolina	1985 – 1989
Devised curriculums and managed programs for corporate, nonprofit, and government organizations to create organizational change through customized programs delivered in the wilderness and in boardrooms, emphasizing leadership, team skills, effective communication, and trust in order to improve team and leadership performance		
<b>Assistant Professor</b>	Northland College, Ashland, Wisconsin	1981 – 1985
Departments of Education, Psychology		

## **Areas of Expertise:**

- Financial analysis focusing on profits, cost controls, quality customer service and time management
- Setting up systems and processes to facilitate efficient cost applications and maximize profits
- Teaching presentations to a varied customer base resulting in practice changes from institutional directives
- Skills to assist in negotiation, conflict resolution, communication techniques, team building, and problem solving
- Developing teams to accomplish responsibilities by applying quality methods, recognizing global impacts, and time management to ensure expected outcomes
- Promoting continuous improvement methodologies to support development and mentoring at all employee levels

- Development and fundraising for non-profits
- Successful new service development and implementation
- Planning and implementation special events (sports and festivals) for up to 3500 people in attendance
- Race director for road race event of up to 1600 runners and walkers (2013 – present)
- Federation liaison to USATF national ultrarunning championships
- Serving on Jury of Appeals at national and international events and as referee at national events

## **Education:**

Bachelor of Arts Degree	St. Olaf College, USA	Biology and Psychology (summa cum laude)
Master of Arts Degree	University of Minnesota USA	Kinesiology w/ emphasis in Sport Psychology (with high distinction)
Certificate in Corporate Leadership	Center for Creative Leadership Greensboro, NC	

**Masters Thesis:** *"Compulsivity and Negative Addiction in Endurance Athletes"*

### **Research Interests:**

- Cohesion in Sport and its Effect on Performance
- The Role Concentration Skills and Interpersonal Characteristics Play in Recovering from Sport Injury
- Visualization and Mental Imagery Skills
- Group Dynamics and Team Building

## **Sport History:**

- Marathon Coach for 26 years to over 1500 runners
- Completed over 220 marathons and over 70 ultramarathons ranging from 50K to 100 mile and 24 hour events (Personal Best Marathon 3:04:07)
- Open Women's USA 100K National Champion - 1992
- USA 100K National Ultramarathon Team competing in 100K World Championships - Athlete: 1991 (Italy), 1992 (Spain),
- USATF National 100K Ultrarunning Team Coordinator, Team Leader, Head of Delegation participating in 100K World Championships; 1993 – present (excepting 1998, 2004)
- Coached the United States Special Olympic Unified Volleyball Team, Snowshoeing Team, and Track and Field Team at 3 World Special Olympic Games
- Consultant in Sport Psychology to high school and university teams and individuals – 1991 –2014
- American Ultrarunning Association – Past President, 1996 – 2002, Board Member
- USATF Ultrarunning Committee (MUT) - Board Member, 1999 - 2004
- USATF Masters Long Distance Running Committee – 2008 – present
- USATF Mountain, Ultra, Trail (MUT) Contributor of the Year – 2011

## **Interests:**

Running, X-C skiing (23 55K American Birkebeiners), cycling, landscaping, gardening, kayaking, canoeing, camping, traveling, classical music, writing, remodeling

26th September 2016

To: IAU General Secretary

Dear Hilary,

**IAU Elections - Candidature of Walter Hill**

UK Athletics would like to nominate the candidature of Walter Hill for the position of Area Representative (Europe).

Walter has been known to UK Athletics and the preceding governing bodies of British Athletics, having been part of the Great Britain & NI Team management in the past at ultra-distance Championships and also competes in various disciplines giving him the understanding of an athlete's needs for competition and keeping them at the heart and focus for progressing the sport.

He has always impressed us with his organisation, dedication, and diplomacy within his roles as administrator and whilst working with the Great Britain & NI Team. Over the years he has developed excellent relationships and commands great respect from the athletes and officials of fellow member federations.

Walter is highly respected and experienced in all aspects of athletics and we feel ultra-distance running would benefit from his election as Area Representative (Europe) to be able to continue to influence the development of Ultra-distance running not only within Europe but across the four other continents.

All good wishes,



Jason Gardner MBE  
President



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# Liesbeth Jansen

Candidate for  
International Association of Ultrarunners



## Resume

**Name:** Liesbeth Jansen  
**Date of birth:** August 7, 1956  
**Nationality:** Dutch  
**Languages:** Dutch, English, German  
**Profession:** administrator / coordinator  
 community of  
 Hoogezand-Sappemeer

## Positions in Sports

- 2014 - 2016 President of the RUN Winschoten
- Since 2012 Vice-President International Association of Ultrarunners
- Since 2008 International Association of Ultrarunners (several positions)
- 2004 - 2014 Council Member of the Royal Dutch Athletics Federation
- 2003 - 2011 Race-director of the RUN Winschoten

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# VOTE NADEEM KHAN IAU VICE PRESIDENT & DIRECTOR



Nadeem is a Medical Physicist based out of Buffalo, NY. Citizen of Canada, Nadeem has lived in 5 countries over the course of his life and has integrated very well in the societies of each of these countries.

Having been elected to the IAU as Director of Communications in 2008, Nadeem is completing his second term on the Executive Council. For the last 8 years, he has worked tirelessly in increasing the profile of ultrarunning worldwide, shining the spotlight on its biggest assets: the athletes and working together in organizing high profile world championships. Ultrarunning is at a critical junction that requires diplomatic balancing and Nadeem with his five years working at Toronto City Hall, can bring exactly that to the table.

Nadeem understands the athlete's perspective as he ran twice for Canada at the IAU 24 Hour World Championships (Taipei 2006, Drummondville 2007). He is also conscious of the federation's point of view as he has held positions of Asst. Team Manager & VP of the Association of Canadian Ultramarathoners.

On Nov. 26th, Nadeem would really like you to trust him again and send him back on the Executive Council. **Vote KHAN for Vice President and Director!**



## WHAT IS NADEEM RUNNING ON?

Nadeem believes that every great organization is a combination between dedicated people, teamwork and forward thinking. Nadeem is running on the concept of "IDEA".

### I: INCLUSIVENESS

- Include dedicated volunteers as advisory groups
- Seek advice from federations and athletes
- *Started the NewsAgents Commission comprising of 15 dedicated individuals from around the globe*

### D: DEVELOPMENT

- Grow the sport in new countries
- Strengthen the foundation in existing federations
- *Worked on developing the sport in Qatar, Hong Kong and several other countries*

### E: ENERGY & ENTHUSIASM

- Tireless work on accomplishing the goals of the IAU
- Looking at it from Outside the Box
- *Promoted ultrarunning at IAAF expos in Berlin (2009), Daegu (2011) and Moscow (2013)*

### A: ATHLETES

- Continue promoting them in the international arena
- Have them on the center of all activities
- *Initiated the Athlete of the Year award, Community events onsite and continued press conferences*

## WHAT HAS NADEEM DONE IN 2-TERMS?

- Director of Communications
- Chair, Medical Committee
- Chair, Athlete of the Year Awards Committee
- Chair, Career Awards Committee
- IAU Liaison for the World Masters Athletics (WMA)
- Coordinator, 50km World Trophy Series (2013-2014)
- IAU Coordinator, 50km World Trophy Final (2014)
- IAU Coordinator, 100km World Championships (2014)
- IAU Coordinator, 50km World Championships (2015-2016)
- Started IAU Newsagents Commission comprising of 15 members from around the globe
- Been a part of 25+ World Championships (WCs) and Continental Championships (CCs)
- Promoted Ultrarunning at 3 IAAF expos
- Worked on getting 30+ countries onboard
- Hosted, Opening and Closing ceremonies at WCs & CCs
- Announced the championship race at several events
- Interviewed hundreds of athletes over the last 8 years
- Continued with Live Updates during events
- Updating the website and working with the committee
- Organized community events like school trips with international athletes
- Coordinated Training runs with local running clubs at WCs promoting the sport at the grassroots level
- Chaired Medical Conferences at various WCs
- Written numerous articles for the IAAF covering IAU
- Submitted regular articles to Distance Running Magazine, Ultra Tales and Ultra Mag
- Promoted IAU developing the international aspect of the sport around the globe from Asia to Africa to Europe and the Americas
- Worked with IAAF Depts. to standardize IAU activities
- Answering hundreds of queries from ultrarunning enthusiasts from around the world



## THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

On Nov 26th I hope I can count on your Support again.

Please **Vote KHAN** for Vice President and Director!

You are more than welcome to contact me. I can be reached at:

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Skype: nadeem.khan101

## WHAT WILL NADEEM DO FOR YOU?

- He will implement **IDEA**
- Be **YOUR** voice on Council
- Coordinate Athletes to be at the center
- Continue to be a strong spokesman for the IAU
- Promote and develop the sport globally
- Be involved in community events at WC and CC sites
- Keep writing articles on ultrarunning for magazines
- Find host cities in newer federations while.....
- ....Maintain the strong foundations in current federations
- Working on strong championship host cities
- Keep working on new initiatives
- *Give my 100% for the next 4 years and beyond!*

# **CITATION OF DR. (CHIEF) SOLOMON** **OMAMOEZI OGBA**

Solomon was born precisely on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1960 in the oil rich City of Warri, Delta State of Nigeria. He had his early education in Warri.

He graduated from the famous Auchi Polytechnic Auchi, and Yaba College of Technology Yaba, Lagos where he obtained both the Ordinary National Diploma and the Higher National Diploma in Estate Management and proceeded to the University of Calabar where he bagged a Master of Business Administration Degree. He was at various times at the London Business School, London and Kellogg Business School of the North Western University in Chicago U.S.A. where he obtained Certificates in Corporate Governance and High Performance People's Skill.

He was awarded a Doctor of Science Degree in Sports Administration by the University of Port-Harcourt, Nigeria. A fellow of the University of Port Harcourt Sports Institute. He has several Chieftaincy titles in Nigeria and a recipient of many Honours and Commendations.

Solomon Omamoezi Ogba has a very rich sports history. An athlete himself in his youthful days. He is arguably one of the most celebrated Sports Administrator in Modern Nigeria Sports History. Between 1999 and 2007, he was Sports Commissioner in Delta State, the best Sporting State in Nigeria till date.

Between 2006 and 2011, he was a member of the Women Football and Futsal Commission of the Confederation of African Football (CAF) and a FIFA. A list match Commissioner for Africa.

He has been President of the Athletics Federation of Nigeria since 2009 till date and also the Chairman Marketing and Media Rights Commission of the Confederation of African Athletics. Between 2010 and 2014 he was 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of the Nigeria Olympic Committee and between 2014 till date, he is the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of the Nigeria Olympic Committee.

He is an Astrite Businessman and Politician. He has interest in Real Estates within and outside Nigeria. He has solid interest in communication. He also has interest in various kind of synthetic surfaces and Clean Energy Solution Companies in Nigeria.

He is married to Celestina and blessed with three wonderful children. He is a believer of the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

# Curriculum Vitae

John O'Regan

## Major Roles in Athletics

### **Athletics Ireland.**

- Ultra-Running Committee Member. 2012 – Present.
- International Teams Coordinator for the Irish Ultra Running Team. 2012 -Present.
- Organising Committee for Le Cheile International Track & Field meeting for 2014 & 2015.
- Committee Member LOC for 24-hr World Championships, Belfast 2017.
- Athletics Ireland Level 2 Athletics Coach.

### **Other Relevant Information**

- Competing on the National Team since 2010.
- Have competed in seven MIAU Competitions.
- Writer for the most popular running publication in Ireland, 'Irish Runner Magazine'.
- Training coach for [www.runinthedark.org](http://www.runinthedark.org)
- Race advisor for [www.markpollocktrust.com](http://www.markpollocktrust.com)
- Training coach for [www.connemarathon.com](http://www.connemarathon.com) 2016.
- Training coach for [www.alustforlife.com](http://www.alustforlife.com) race series 2016.
- Contributor to online Sports website [www.the42.ie](http://www.the42.ie)
- Contributor to Health & Living Supplement with National Newspaper, Irish Independent.
- Contributor to online web resource for Mental Health & Wellbeing [www.alustforlife.com](http://www.alustforlife.com)

# Paco Rico

Election Council IAU on November 26, 2016



## Personal Data Resume

Full Name: Francisco Sánchez Rico  
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 Languages: Spanish, French, Italian and English



## Profession

Rock “n” Roll Madrid Marathon, Half Marathon & 10K

## About myself

Since I was 12, my life has always been linked to sports, specially to athletics.

My life is like a long-distance race. When I was 22 I ran my first Marathon, I finished my Phys. Ed. Degree when I turned 23, and at the age of 26 I had already run my first 100k race.

At present, I combine my job as organizer of The Rock “n” Roll Madrid Marathon, several competitions of Trail Running and other sports events, with my favourites hobbies, since I am a judge of the Royal Spanish Athletics Federation (RFEA) and Ultrarunning coach.

On November 12, 2016, I organize the First Edition of Ecotrail Madrid, a beautiful competition which combine Trail in the mountain with the city.

## Other Data

### Education

- Physical Education and Sports (5 years)
- Military Officer 's Academy (5 years)
- Tourism (Tourist activities and companies, 3 years)

### Sport Studies Major

- Avanced Athletic Coach ( INEF Madrid, 3 years)
- Avanced Triathlon Coach ( INEF Madrid, 3 years)
- Avanced Orienteering Coach ( INEF Madrid, 3 years)
- Gym Trainer
- Sports Chiromasaje (Several training courses)

### Professional Career

- IAU Director of Prtocol, IAU European Representative and Chairman of the IAU Trail Commision (2012-2016)
- ITRA (International Trail-Running Asociation) General Secretary from 2015
- Organiser and Technical Director of more than 100 events since 2001, of wich the most importants are:
  - ✓ Madrid Marathon, Half Marathon & 10K (since 2008) (34.000 runners in 2016)
  - ✓ IAU European Championship 24H (Madrid 2007)
  - ✓ Ekiden Marathon Madrid (2005-2010)(150 teams)
  - ✓ I Madrid-Segovia 100K (2010) (around 1.000 ultrarunners)
  - ✓ Challenge National 24H (Torrejón de Ardoz - Madrid 2008 - 2010)
  - ✓ 6H International Night Track S.S. de los Reyes (Madrid 2006) (Winner J. Janicki with 91,270 Km.)
  - ✓ Madrid run for Madrid 10K (12.000 runners)
  - ✓ Ecotrail Madrid (80K-50K -23K) 2016
  - ✓ Trail Canal Castilla Ultra Race (107-48-21K) 2015-2016
- Team Manager for the National 24 Hour Ultrarunning Team and National Ultra Trail Team of the Royal Spanish Athletics Federation RFEA (2006-2012)
- Judge of the Spanish Athletics Federation (Specialized in road races and standardization)





### My Sports highlights:

☐ As an Athlete since 1972, I have finished:

- ✓ 62 Marathons
- ✓ 14 100K
- ✓ 10 24H

☐ Triathlon (since 1985)

☐ Orienteering (since 1982)

### Why do I apply?

IAU person in charge of Trail-Running from 2012, IAU Director of Protocol, IAU European Representative, General Coordinator of the Projects as Trail World Championship 2015 and 2016, Organizer of the IAU European Championship in 2007, and more than 25 Ultrarunning competitions along of my life. I have been also the organizer of Madrid Marathon for the last 9 years (now called Rock "n" Roll Madrid Marathon, Half Marathon & 10K), reaching the amount of 34.000 participants since the 8.000 of 2007. It is for all this, that I consider that I can lend the experience that I have acquired during all my professional life, giving value to the economic, technical, entertainment and sports aspects.

### My strenghts

- ✓ Long experience in protocol, and trail-running events
- ✓ Long experience in organization of sports events.
- ✓ Judge of Spanish Athletics Federation (Specialized in road races an standardization.
- ✓ Ultrarunning coach.
- ✓ Experience in economical gestion of the Rock "n" Roll Madrid Marathon, Half Marathon and 10K.
- ✓ Experience in the entertainment field, highly necessary for both runners and spectators. Such an example, 21 bands playing every year in the Rock "n" Roll Madrid Marathon, largely encouraging the increase of inscriptions all the editions.

### My ideas and proposals

1.- **Continuity.** After the great efforts made in Trail discipline and negotiations with ITRA, (an association of which I am a current member), from my position and with the coordination between IAAF-IAU and ITRA I will continue for the improvement and preparation of the new World Championships. These championships, was already planned and I presented recent reports on site

2.- **Economic goal.** It is well known that we are living difficult times, struggling through a sharp crisis. For the sports organisms it is our duty to decrease costs and at the same time, keep impulsing this hard and amazing discipline. Due to my actual position, I can lend new ideas and solutions in order to reduce the organization costs.

3.- **Popular goal.** A new concept of imagination, entertainment and enjoying for all the runners and spectators. Let's give an attractive and original atmosphere to Ultrarunning Competitions and we will considerably increase the number of participants and spectators.

I would like to contribute with my ideas, effort and hard work to make the Ultrarunning and IAU even bigger than they are. Lets go to it!

Paco Rico



## CV for IAU Council:

1) Name: Dirk Strumane

2) Citizenship: Belgian

3) Position: IAU President

4) Committees/Commissions:

5) Profession: social assistant, working for the local government as director of the local social service department

6) Running/Ultrarunning Connection:

- former race director of the Night of Flanders 100 km in Torhout, Belgium
- organizer of the IAU 100 km World Championship in Torhout in 1993 (the famous one when we had to postpone the race with one day because of the funeral of the Belgian King)
- involved with ultrarunning since the early 80's
- in a very amateurish level I have also run some 45 marathons in my younger days (best time : 3:09)

7) Favourite thing about ultrarunning...

- shaping a framework which is allowing ultrarunners from all over the world to compete in fair conditions
- enjoying the comraderie between ultrarunners

8) How/where do you see ultrarunning in the future?

- to close the gap with mainstream athletics and let ultrarunning develop as an official branch of athletics under the patronage of the IAAF
- I know that becoming an Olympic discipline is for many ultrarunners a kind of ultimate dream, so why not cherish this dream (in the very long run)





## Jan Vandendriessche (BEL)

Candidate for "IAU Vice-President & IAU Director 2016-2020"



### Profile

IAU Director of Organisations 2004-2008-2012-2016

IAU Treasurer 2008-2014

IAU Director of Competition since 2012

°1961, married with Katrien, three children.

Master in Physiotherapy since 1984.

Director of the Paramedic Centre "Veki" since 1989

Former ultrarunner, 5x Belgian Champion 100K, 13x sub 7h/100K,

Organiser "6 hours of Gistel" and "50K of Flanders"

President Athletics Club of Gistel

Member Rotary Club Gistel

Founder of the Belgian Ultrarunning Association "Ultramarathon.be vzw"



### My vision about being a member of the IAU Executive Council

Everybody representing the IAU, the world-wide ultrarunning community, should know that their task is far more than the title they'll wear.

**All** should first focus on their "task", but also cooperate with the other Directors when required.

None of them should ever wait till they're asked to do something, being active more than ever and coming with a lot of proposals to lift the IAU up to a more professional level.

Or in one word: **commitment**, even when it is just volunteers work !

### What could I realise in 2004-2016 ?

- Obtaining a more **professional exposure** of the IAU by:
  - o New IAU logo and IAU flags,..
  - o the IAU medal ribbon, and from 2012 on also the MIAUC finish ribbons
  - o Starting the IAU Newsletter & new website (from 2008 on in cooperation with Nadeem)
- Editing the **First IAU Brochure**, in cooperation with Nadeem.
- Organisation of the **IAU 50K Trophy**, with 20 selection races
- Improving of the **IAU fixture list**
  - o By creating a new "online entry system"
- Improving the **publishing of the results** (especially the last year)
  - o Unfortunately a work which is difficult to manage alone in the near future
- Introducing the **IAU Labelling System**, which became a success over the years..
  - o I created an online registration system since April 2012 which should make things easier.
- The new **Travel Grant System** which is used since 2005
  - o a fair and transparent system to divide the Travel Grants
- The introduction of the **Wildcard System**
  - o Enables Federations to get some or more travel grant for athletes who couldn't perform well enough in an IAU labelled race during the past 2 years.
- **I proposed and wrote different guidelines:**
  - o Organisational guidelines and checklist
  - o First Technical\* and protocol guidelines (\* from 2008 on adjusted by Liesbeth Janssen)

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- "IAU logo manual" & "Results format manual"
- **Creator of the 'Blueprints'** of the
  - PEF's & FEF's
  - GIS & Technical meeting File\* (*\* from 2008 on adjusted by Liesbeth Janssen*)
- **Creator of a lot of templates**, i.e. the "Certificates for WBP's", "Order of Merits", ..
- I transformed **IAU FINANCES** to a **transparent system** from end 2008 till 2014
- I supported Nadeem with some new ideas for the nomination of "**Athlete of the year**"
- I started the **Live Reports of the MIAUC's** in 2005, which was taken over by Nadeem en Hilary since 2009.
- The introduction of the Outfit Meeting and the Call Zone

### My proposals for 2016-2020

The main goal of the Executive Council for the next four years should simply "increasing numbers" to become visible for potential future IAU sponsors.

- The website should be totally renewed and more efficient being updated
  - The goal should be to get at least more than 1000 visitors/day
  - We need more volunteers to cooperate and a better coordination from out the IAU Council
- The list of contact details from runners must be increased, now we have less than 4000, it should be more than 100.000.
- The list of contact details of international and national press should be increased, now we nearly have some... that must raise to a couple of hundred..
  - Press releases (for international press) should happen more frequently
- The number of IAU labelled races should increase, the last years we only had +/- 230 labelled races, that should be more than 1000.

Only when we get these numbers on board we can start with a feasible marketing plan to find those sponsors we urgently need !

To work this out it is needed that the tasks and work of the Council Members should be strictly coordinated and followed up, preferably by someone who works very close with the President, the Vice-President.

Our Major IAU Races did well very well the last 4years, thanks to the efforts of Organisers and Council Members, now it is high time to put the same energy and enthusiasm in other and even more important goals.

I hope that I can get your vote to continue the work I did with the same enthusiasm,

Kindest regards,  
**Jan Vandendriessche**

**IAU Elections - Candidature of Hilary Walker for General Secretary**  
**Nomination Letter.**

“UK Athletics would like to nominate the candidature of Hilary Walker for the position of General Secretary.

Hilary has been known to UK Athletics and the preceding governing bodies of British Athletics, having been an international athlete in the past representing GBR at ultra-distance running for a decade or so. She is still competing in a different discipline thus retaining the understanding of an athlete’s needs for competition.

She has always impressed us with her dedication, initially in her running days and then continuing this within her roles as an official, selector and administrator. By being also a GBR national level endurance official, she also maintains the technical knowledge of competitions.

Over the years she has developed excellent relationships and respect with the athletes and officials of member federations as IAU General Secretary, helping to deliver the IAU’s services and championships for the sport.

In the role of General Secretary, she would be able to continue to influence the development of Ultra-distance running throughout the 5 continents. Hilary is highly respected and experienced in all aspects of athletics and ultra-distance running and we feel the IAU would benefit from her re-election as General Secretary.

All good wishes



Jason Gardner MBE  
President



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### **PROFILE**

□ Gregorio Zucchinali was born on 17th August 1958, in Ciserano (BG) - Italy.

### **WORKING EXPERIENCE**

He practices sport, he completed over 280 marathons and ultramarathons.

Since 2008, he is the National President of the IUTA, the Italian Ultramarathon and Trail Association, with over 500 ultra runners and ultratrailers' subscriptions, which, under the aegis of FIDAL, coordinates the ultrarunning activities in Italy and cooperates for the realization of races, encouraging the participation of athletes to the ultra races in Italy.

The latter include the 100 km of Passatore (Florence-Faenza) and the 100km of Seregno.

He is currently the Bergamo Stars Athletics' Secretary, a FIDAL's affiliated Club, with more than 200 members, operating both within youth and master' sectors, and with National Team athletes.

He organized numerous FIDAL events and in 2009 he was the coordinator and the race-director of the World and European IAU Championship 24h in Bergamo, valid also as FIDAL Championship.

During the last few years, he has participated as a member of the Italian delegation, on FIDAL behalf, to international events organized by the IAU, acquiring excellent and cordial relations with the current IAU Council.

Within the coordination of FIDAL, CUS Torino and IAU he collaborated in order to "save" the World 24h in 2015, held in Turin, receiving a prestigious recognition award by the IAU.

In partnership with FIDAL and later with FIDAL Mountain and Trail, he has contributed to propose in 2017 the staging of "Badia Prataglia (Tuscany) IAU Ultra Trail World Championship".

Gregorio intends to put to the IAU's service his enthusiasm and professionalism.