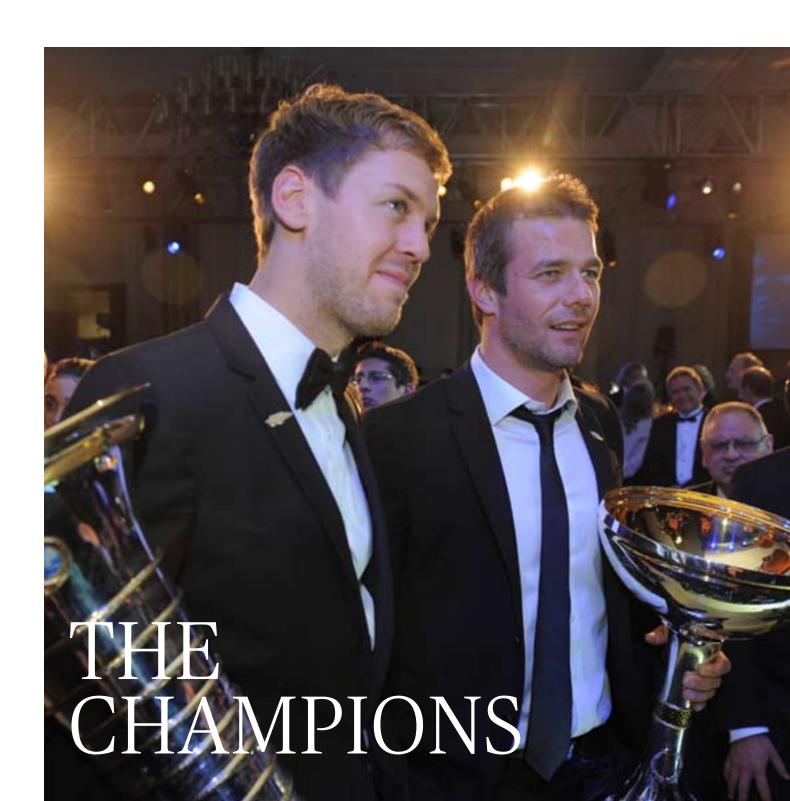




AUTO-PRIZE GIVING





FIA General Assembly

FIA keeps focus on the future

The FIA General Assembly 2012, drew to a close in Istanbul yesterday with President Jean Todt celebrating the federation's achievements of the past three years but telling delegates that "there is still much more to do".

The FIA President began his closing speech by thanking host club the Turkish Automobile Sports Federation, its President, Demir Berberoglu, and former President, Mumtaz Tahincioglu for their efforts in staging this year's event.

Then, reflecting on the FIA's achievements over the past three years, President Todt pointed to the strides the organisation has made in the areas of governance, administration, motor sport and support services, but especially in the FIA's engagement with global bodies such as the UN, the European Commission, the World Health Organisation, the World Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, the International Olympic Committee and the Clinton Global Initiative.

However, while he said he was pleased with the progress, he insisted that the work must not end.

"We have achieved much during the past three years but there is still more to do," he said. "With your support, I look



forward to continuing to work closely with you in the future. Together we have the opportunity to bring to life the vision of a stronger and better FIA. Our goal must be for our organisation to always be recognised as one of the world's great sporting and consumer federations."

A number of decisions were taken during yesterday's meeting. First was the announcement that from the beginning of 2013 the FIA will adopt a code of ethics to safeguard the integrity and reputation of motor sport, automobile mobility and tourism and individual members worldwide.

The General Assembly then elected five Ethics Committee members from across its branches. Ajmalul Hossain of NZAA (New Zealand) and Robert Croll of ANWB (The Netherlands) were nominated by the WCAMT. Viviane Monteiro from CBA (Brazil) and Robert Jones, MSA (Great Britain) were put forward by the MMSC and Gabriela Barreto, ACP (Portugal) received the nomination of the FIA Senate.

To reflect its provisional recognition by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) it was also revealed that the FIA has established a Drivers' Commission. The aim of the commission is to represent the rights and interests of the drivers within the FIA and to draw up recommendations accordingly. The commission will also maintain contact with the IOC's Athletes' Commission and those of other international federations.

Double Formula One World Champion Emerson Fittipaldi was elected as the President of the Drivers' Commission, while a mandate was given to the WMSC to finalise a further nine posts on the commission by March 2013.

A number of key appointments were ratified during the meeting. Angelo Sticchi Damiani (ACI) was awarded the role of Vice President for Sport, replacing Enrico Gelpi for the remaining term of office (up to the 2013 General Assembly), while Ross Herron (AAA) was elected as a new Vice President for Automobile Mobility and Tourism, also up to the 2013 General Assembly, replacing Augusto Lagman.

Elsewhere in Mobility, the World Council for Automobile Mobility and Tourism's recommendations regarding the appointment of presidents for the new Policy and Services Commissions and the Customs Council were accepted. The FIA Mobility Policy Commission post was given to Johann Grill (ADAC), the presidency of the FIA Mobility Services Commission was awarded to Frank Fotia (CAA) and the AIT/FIA Customs Council position was handed to Riyadh Almalik (SATA).

In the arena of road safety, the General Assembly confirmed its support for the Second UN Global Road Safety Week (6-12 May 2013) and called upon all FIA Members to publicly endorse the initiative and engage with the event by committing to education, advocacy and activities to improve pedestrian safety worldwide.

A number of new member clubs were accepted during the meeting, with clubs from Honduras, Belize, Guyana, Benin, Gabon, Botswana, Ivory Coast, Nigeria and Turkmenistan being welcomed into the FIA family.

Finally, the date and venue of the 2013 FIA Annual General Assembly were confirmed as 6 December, in Paris.



NIGHT OF THE CHAMPIONS



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THE AWARDS









AFTERSHOW











GOLDEN RULES I WANT TO BE SAFE I PROMISE TO:

BELT UP

all passengers are my responsibility

RESPECT THE HIGHWAY CODE

rules are there to protect us all

OBEY THE SPEED LIMIT

my car is made of metal, pedestrians and children are not

CHECK MY TYRES

both for wear and for correct inflation, including the spare

DRIVE SOBER

when I am drunk or on drugs, I am a danger on the road

PROTECT MY CHILDREN

keep them safe in car seats

PAY ATTENTION

calling and texting make me dangerous

STOP WHEN I'M TIRED

getting there late is better than not at all

WEAR A HELMET

motorbikes and bicycles don't protect my head

BE COURTEOUS AND CONSIDERATE

respect other drivers

