

ANNEX A.2m
FEDERATION AERONAUTIQUE INTERNATIONALE
NOMINATION FORM
CIAM AEROMODELLING SCHOLARSHIP

(for applicants from the age of 16 up to the age of 21 in the year of nomination)

From NAC : Aeroklub Polski _____ Date : 17.10.2015 _____

Address : ul. 17 stycznia 19, 00-906 Warszawa _____ Country : Poland _____

(only one person from a country may be nominated annually by that candidate's National Airsport Control)

(submitted nominations must include an electronic format photograph of the nominee)

Name of Nominee : Konrad Żurowski _____ Date of birth: 13.03.1996 _____

Address : ul. Jowisza 30/27, 44-117 Gliwice _____

Scholastic Accomplishments and Educational Plans (please list & continue on a separate sheet if necessary):

- Graduated from Secondary school Gimnazjum z Oddziałami Dwujęzycznymi Nr 14 (Bilingual Class – Polish and English) and High School I Liceum Ogólnokształcące im. Edwarda Dembowskiego; 44-100 Gliwice, ul. Zimnej Wody 8
- Currently attending Law at the Silesian University: Wydział Prawa i Administracji Uniwersytet Śląski, 40-007 Katowice, ul. Bankowa 11b
- Future plans - studying second subject at the university after finishing third year of law.

Aeromodelling Achievements up to the age of 21 (for example World or Continental Championships, National Championships, World Cups, Records, Technical Innovations. In the case of competitions, include the name, date, and location of each competition, the class and the position achieved.) (Please list & continue on a separate sheet if necessary.)

SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS:

2009

- 1st place in the 2009 Polish Junior Championship class F1E Toszek, Poland

2010

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- 1st place in General Classification of Polish Cup for Juniors class F1E 2010
- **3rd place in General Classification of FAI World Cup for Juniors class F1E 2010**

2011

- 1st place in the 2011 Polish Junior Championship class F1E Toszek, Poland
- 1st place in General Classification of Polish Cup for Juniors class F1E 2011
- **4th place in General Classification of FAI World Cup for Juniors class F1E 2011**
- **5th place Individually in the 2011 FAI Junior World Championships for Free Flight Slope Soaring Model Aircraft class F1E Zlatibor, Serbia**
- **2nd place Team in the 2011 FAI Junior World Championships for Free Flight Slope Soaring Model Aircraft class F1E Zlatibor, Serbia**

2012

- 1st place in the 2012 Polish Junior Championship class F1E Toszek, Poland
- 1st place in General Classification of Polish Cup for Juniors class F1E 2012
- **2nd place in General Classification of FAI World Cup for Juniors class F1E 2012**
- **6th place Individually in the 2012 FAI Junior European Championship for Free Flight Slope Soaring Model Aircraft class F1E Turda, Romania**
- **3rd place Team in the 2012 FAI Junior European Championship for Free Flight Slope Soaring Model Aircraft class F1E Turda, Romania**

2013

- **1st place Individually in the 2013 FAI Junior World Championship for Free Flight Slope Soaring Model Aircraft class F1E Martin, Slovakia**
- **4th place Team in 2013 FAI Junior World Championship for Free Flight Slope Soaring Model Aircraft class F1E Martin, Slovakia**
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2014

- 1st place in the 2014 Polish Junior Championship F1E Toszek, Poland
- **2nd place in General Classification of FAI World Cup for Juniors F1E 2014**
- 3rd place in General Classification of Polish Cup for Juniors F1E 2014
- **7th place Individually in the 2014 FAI Junior European Championships for Free Flight Slope Soaring Model Aircraft class F1E Martin, Slovakia**
- **4th place Team in 2014 FAI Junior European Championships for Free Flight Slope Soaring Model Aircraft class F1E Martin, Slovakia**

2015

- **3rd place Individually in the 2015 FAI Senior World Championship for Free Flight Slope Soaring Model Aircraft class F1E Zlatibor, Serbia**
- 1st in the 2015 Polish Senior Championship class F1E Toszek, Poland

Additionally:

Nominated to the Polish Senior Team for the 2016 FAI Senior European Championships for Free Flight Slope Soaring Model Aircraft class F1E Rupea, Romania

Personal Statement: What role did Aeromodelling play in your life and what are your aspirations for the future? (One page to be written in the Nominee's own hand and attached to this form. If written in a language other than English, then please attach a typed translation as well as the hand-written original.)

SEKRETARZ GENERALNY
AEROKLUBU POLSKIEGO

NAC Signature :

President or Secretary General of nominating FAI National Airport Control

(must be submitted to the FAI Office by November 15)

Aeromodelling Passion and Aspirations

Since I was a child, my parents always took me to the airport. I quickly found out that it would be my future passion, but I never imagined that it would lead to any achievements. For many years I did not take it seriously. It was just *great fun for young boy enjoying aeroplanes*. Thanks to my Dad's experience in F1G and F1B classes, I started flying in contests.

My professional career started in June of 2009, when I participated in F1G Polish Championship for Juniors. I did not realise that my future participation would be connected with a completely different class of models: F1E hand-launched gliders with automatic steering. In spite of lack of an experience, I became the F1E Polish Champion in juniors. It was a crucial moment in my aeromodelling career. After victory, my chance to be a member of the Polish National Team strongly improved. In 2010, I had finally qualified for our National Team, for the F1E Junior World Championship 2011. This was due to winning for the second time the Polish Championship, the Polish Cup and reaching third place in the Juniors World Cup.

My most important undertaking started in 2011, in Serbia. I achieved fifth place individually, and second in the team classification, which meant that I won a silver medal. The European Championship, organized one year later in Romania, were a great lesson in humility. I was really close to having individually second place, but I ended up gaining sixth place, as well as a bronze medal in the team classification.

With the cooperation with the Ukrainian Federation, one month later, we organized in Poland for the first time, The Friendship Cup of Ukraine. It was a great example of collaboration between two countries. I won the competition, but my friend Zorin Valeanu from Romania beat me in the following Junior World Cup causing me to finish the season in second place.

From 2009 to 2012, I won the Polish Championship four times in a row, but I still did not have an individual medal from an International Championship. In 2013, my dream came true. After an unforgettable fly-off, I became the World Champion in Martin, Slovakia. I will never forget it. Hearing the national anthem from podium was an indescribable feeling, especially as I am a patriot.

All of my achievements were largely due to my Father because he introduced me to flying and encouraged me. My junior career finished this year. I became the Polish Champion for the fifth time, and reached second place in the Juniors World Cup. Only my friend Christian Winker from Germany did better. Working together with his family showed how important international cooperation is. I became World Champion, Florian Winker European Champion and Christian Winker won the World Cup twice. Nothing is impossible, especially when you work with a great group of people, who I met thanks to our common passion. It is really important to make friends following the true spirit of sport. A huge plus is that everything is organized in a friendly atmosphere, with fair play. It also allows creative thinking, the exchange of ideas and experiences gained during life.

An aeromodelling is not only connected with flying. It also requires from us being in good physical shape. When I started flying, I was a small, plump boy. Over the years, I have become an athlete. It should be classified as an extreme sport. In 2013, in Italy, I had to escape from a bull which tried to attack me. I have also had to climb trees, swim in a river and jump over dangerous holes. Sometimes it was like a race against time. It also taught me patience and great organisation. I had to plan in which exact conditions I should start. I spent a lot of time training, especially the moment of launch which is crucial for every flight.

Thanks to my Dad's and my trainer's experience, I learned a lot about thermal conditions. I reckon that it is the hardest part of aeromodelling. Another really hard thing is finding the balance between being a good constructor and competitor. These two roles vary considerably. They require from us constant development of

abstract thinking. Sometimes we have to create something completely new, which is really unique. The variety of technical solutions is infinite. It means that we can solve difficulties during competitions in a more tactical way. It also taught me how to face stress which was always annoying and frustrating.

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The biggest advantage of aeromodelling, is that you can cut away from all the problems you have and pay attention to things you really love to do. That is why I want to connect my future job with my passion. This year, together with my Father, I had an indescribable pleasure to start in the 2015 FAI Senior World Championship in F1E class. It was always our target and dream to be in the National Team together, but I have never considered my first start in Senior World Championship as a chance to gain a medal! I have realised that this competition might be crucial for my senior career. Finally, I won a bronze medal after really challenging competition. Competing against two F1E legends, who won other medals, was huge honour to me.

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