Jury Report on FAI Open International World Cup Space Models Competition

Competition and competition classes	"Liepaja Cup 2025" (FAI CIAM World Cup in Space Modelling) S-4A, S-6A, S7, S-8P, S-9A	
Date and venue	June 27th to 29th 2025. Liepaja – Vainode airfield, LATVIA	
Organizer	Latvian Spacemodelling Sport Union	
Participating countries	Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovakia, Bulgaria, Ukraine, USA	
Contest director	BURDAJA Maija (Latvia)	
Names and addresses of jury members	Mr. ERSLAVAS Tomas (Lithuania) – Jury Chairman; Mrs. BURDAJA Vaira (Latvia) – Jury member; Mr. PUTRA Gunars (Latvia) – Jury member.	
Schedule of competition	Friday, June 27th 18.00-21.50 21.50-22.00 22.00-22.00 22.50-23.00 Saturday, June 28.7.45-8.45 9.00-9.15 9.20 9.45-10.00	arrival, registration and payment of the entry fees, supper at the home hostel briefing delivery of S7 models breakfast at the home hostel opening ceremony of the competition departure to the launching site at Vainode Airfield models registration for category S4A
	10.00-12.30 12.30-13.00 13.00-13.13 13.15-15.49 15.43-16.00 16.00-18.10 18.30-19.00 19.00-19.30 20.00	flights in category \$4A launch time models registration for category \$6A flights in category \$6A models registration for category \$9A flights in category \$9A time, reserved for fly-off's departure to the home hostel taking over \$7 models after the static evaluation supper & evening party
	Sunday, June 29 th 8.00 - 8.41 9.00 10.00 - 12.00 12.00 - 16.00 13.00 - 14.00 16.10	breakfast at the home hostel departure to the launching site at Vainode Airfield flights in category S7 flights in category S8P launch time (without interrupting S-8P flights) prize giving ceremony and closing of the Competition
Duration of rounds	S-4A - One round on sixty minutes, two on forty five minutes; S-6A - One round on sixty minutes, two on forty five minutes; S7 - Two rounds on one hour; S-8P - Three working groups in four rounds in accordance with Sporting Code rules; S-9A - One round on sixty minutes, two on forty five minutes.	

Brakes between rounds	None Sixty minutes.		
Maximum duration in each round			
Interruptions and delays	None.		
Weather and visibility	June 28th - wind 6-8 m/s; NW-W, moderate breeze with gusts at 9 m/s, temp. +14° to +17° C. cloudy; June 29th - wind 7-9 m/s; W-SW, moderate breeze with gusts at 9 m/s, temp. +18° to+22° C. cloudy/sunny		
Flight line-changes of position	The competitions was organized in Vainode airfield, former Soviet Air Force Base, There was no changes of flight lines.		
Number of flying sites	Four starting places with two timekeepers in each starting place.		
Number of competitors per launching site/class	S-4A - 26 competitors; S-6A - 32 competitors; S7 - 5 competitors; S-8P - 12 competitors; S-9A - 29 competitors.		
Local rules or deviations from Sporting Code	Competitions are lead under "FAI Sporting Code" 2025 Edition.		
Alteration of the schedule	The beginning for S7 flights in Sunday June 30, was changed to 10.60, but S-8P flights were postponed 2 hours later and started at 12.60 due to weather conditions and organizational reasons.		
Any additional sporting activity	Latvian Championships in Spacemodelling held simultaneously.		
Observations on time- keeping/judging	Fair and correct		
Prize-giving and issue of results-confirm organizers provide results with full names, nationalities and number of juniors	According the regulations about competitions and Bulletin – Cups, Medals and Diplomas. Additional awards for the best three junior competitors in each category – Cup Medals and Diplomas.		
Any incident or accident	None.		
Protests	None.		
Comments on accommodation , food, entry fees and other expenses	Accommodation was arranged at Guest House "Embutes Turisma informacijas centrs". Accommodation and food was good. Warm launch were available to all participants on the airfield. There were free		

	hot tea and coffee, cold drinks and snakes at the launch site during the whole event. Entry fees - 30, - Euro (seniors); - 20, - Euro (juniors).
Final comments and evaluation of the contest	The competition in general met the standards for such an event in general. Information Bulletins were prepared on time. The general standard of the flying and competition was acceptable. The team is experienced and the flying field is used for many years to hold competitions of such level in this area. Results and information on alternation of the schedule was presented on time. Due all, the jury observed several problems: The control and distribution of motors was not done properly, although this point needed to be handled. Common box storage and preflight control from delivered motors was done only partially. For the future, being it following world cup competitions in the season or the next competition the jury recommends: The organizers to enforce the rules regarding motor distribution more properly. Reasons: According to the existing laws of Latvia, the competition organizers (Latvian Space Modelling Sports Union) are registered in the State Enterprise Register as a non-profit sports organization without the right to conduct any business. If the organizers receive an advance payment from the competition competitors for the purchase of engines from manufacturers - the Latvian State Revenue Service will consider this as a "donation" or "sponsorship" for which the recipient must pay income tax to the state treasury in accordance with financial regulations.

Vainode airfield, LATVIA.

FAI Jury Chairman: J. Erslans

Mr. ERSLAVAS Tomas (Lithuania)

Jury member:

Mrs. BURDAJA Vairs (Latvia)

Jury member: Forte

Mr. PUTRA Gunars (Latvia)

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Mr. PUSPURS Edgars (Latvia)

June 29, 2025.