Topic 1 Group A

- How to motivate young people to become the handball referee...
 - Better education in atractive way
 - Using different modern methods (technology) to educate them
- Not enough interest and cooperation from the Clubs side
 - Improving cooperation between Federations and the Clubs in this matter
 - Clubs must take more responsibility to "produce" the referees
 - Bring more respect to the referee position

Topic: Status in the NFs Group B

...Young Referees

- Basics:
- all are working with YRs
- only LAT has no YR project
- Structure of YR projects:
- NED: Education is separated system (ref, coaches in 4 levels) and handball has a YR program starting with the age of 14 (one education course per year + individual development plan) which entitles the YRs to enter Ref. Course level 3
- BEL: recruitment starts with the age of 14 17; male + female parallel
- UKR: same system like EHF; positive results in the female education problems in the male referees
- SRB: same system like EHF; about 30% female couples; Branka Maric is educating the YRs and is a kind of testimonial
- LTU: same system like EHF; recruitment age 16 19; basketball is a big competitor; cooperation with Baltic countries
- POR: start of YR project 4 years ago; 12 couples (6 male + 6 female); same project like in DEN; special tournaments for the YRs
- BIH: Project started 3 years ago structure like in the EHF; 2-3 int. Tournaments for young perspective referees under supervision of EHF referees and delegates; last year focus was on the female refs status: 20 25 couples, 3 female couples
- LAT: after high school (age 18 19) ref education starts; 6 couples, 1 female couple
- BLR: catastrophe !!! Personal teaching system leads to 1 − 2 couples per year only; cooperation with Baltic countries
- FRA: club/department/region/national levels; 24 couples in each level aged 18 23 one third are female; same education for male and female refs; all candidates receive handball material like t-shirts, balls, etc.; special competitions (not competitive) for forming players and educating YRs with help of the respective coaches
- SUI: age 16 27; local and talented level; nominations by SUI Fed. For special tournaments and for 8-10 education meetings (top teams, national team coach); no special female project leads to less success; a lot of talented YRs can not reach the nat. level because of limited access number based on limited number of places in the EHF YR project
- HUN: project since 2001; no low age limit upper limit 32; 2 categories: B) refs from 3rd and lower divisions / A) 2nd division; A) 10 couples (0 female), B) 14 couples (2 female)
- GER: 2 levels; age 23 28; problems in the female ref education: married, children; adidas contract; plan for 2011 a female course
- AUT: no YR project, but young candidates (starting with 15 years) are welcomed; mentoring system for one year (in some regions special program / short courses with former top referees)
- SWE: basic educ. In the clubs education responsible is NF; implementation in all regions with similar programs > 10 12 talented couples accepted by the NF will be further educated with courses and tournaments

Topic 1 Group C

- Courses (theoretical, physical)
 - Use of technology
 - Ways of getting closer to the practical HB
 - Economic resources
 - Interactive tools
- Recruitment of Referees
- Mentoring
- Language teaching