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23 May 2021 | Cairo, Egypt:

The 47th FIH Congress convened virtually over the two days of the 21st & 22nd of May 2021. The Congress event was attended by the majority of National Associations.

Day 1 | Friday 21 May 2021

This was the #HockeyInvites virtual conference organized by the FIH as part of its 47th FIH Congress which included many presented topics such as development, sport matters, gender-equality, promotion, integrity and concluded with the FIH Honorary Awards giving recognition to numerous individuals, teams and organizations for their outstanding contributions to the sport of hockey.

From Africa, the following individuals were recognized for their hockey status and achievements:

[FIH Honorary Awards](#)

[“Order of Merit” award winner](#)

 **Mr. Richard Kofi Akpokavie (Ghana)**



FIH Technical Official, Chairman of the African Hockey Federation Officials Committee and Member of the FIH Officials Committee

[“Diploma of Merit” award winner](#)

 **Ms. Sarah Bennett (Zimbabwe)**



African Hockey Federation Executive Board Member and Chair of the AfHF Development Committee

Day 2 | Saturday 22 May 2021

This was the main Congress session day where the Congress agenda points were presented, more awards announced and voting took place for elections for the position of FIH President as well four EB Ordinary Member positions (2 men & 2 women)

[“FIH President Award” winner](#)

 **Mr. Nii Quaye-Kumah (Ghana)**



African Hockey Federation Vice President with a long history of service for hockey and numerous contributions to National (Ghana), Continental (Africa) and Global hockey (FIH)

FIH EB Ordinary Member

🌸 Ms. Hazel Kennedy (Zambia)



Has been re-elected to the International Hockey Federation (FIH) Executive Board

New National Association membership

🌸 The Hockey Association of The Gambia 🇬🇲



Membership application approved and admitted as a new member of the FIH & AfHF

CONGRATULATIONS 🎉 to all awards winners, FIH appointments and new NAs on board

FIH President Elections

CONGRATULATIONS 🎉 to Dr. Narinder Dhruv Batra



who has been re-elected as FIH President till 2024

The 2-day Conference sessions can be watched back in full on the Watch.Hockey app.

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