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## IPA Newsletter

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### 'When the Present reflects the Past'



A beautiful entry from our 2014 photo competition

## WORD OF INTRODUCTION

Happy Easter to all of you ☺

All around the world and in most of our sections, celebrations for Easter will take place over the coming weeks, marking the end of Lent. The world will welcome this happy time with many different customs and traditions: some will celebrate the return of the bells which were stuck in Rome for Lent, and will ring again on Easter Sunday; others will hunt for Easter bunnies and Easter eggs, entertaining both kids and grown-ups alike; many different cakes such as the 'Colomba' in Italy, the 'Mona' in Spain and the 'Kulich' in Russia will be placed on festive tables alongside traditional dishes such as lamb in many countries; fires will form part of the celebrations in Western Europe, the 'Virpominen' will haunt the celebrations in Finland, while the 'Smigus Dingus' will follow the 'Wielkanoc' in Poland. The Easter bilby will try to replace the Easter bunny in Australia while many countries will look forward to the flowering of the 'Pâquerette', this precious little flower that will announce the return of the spring and warm weather.

As so many traditions flourish around the world, many of you will also be holding your national assemblies, sometimes with elections. There will be celebrations, privileged moments to sit together, share memories, establish new contacts, spread the principles of our association, taste delicious dishes and spend unforgettable time together. May we all create a strong connection between the happy Easter time and the values that we defend. Let the magic of Easter take us on a creative journey, where our decisions, talks and projects reflect the true spirit of Arthur Troop and the IPA, with the will to develop our association and to lead it to its best.

If I could, I would send all of you a delicious Easter bunny made from Swiss chocolate. However, as this is impossible, I promise to taste a few on your behalf while I send you my best wishes for a prosperous season, in peace and happiness.

Servo per Amikeco

***Pierre-Martin Moulin, International President***

## 'NEW' NATIONAL PRESIDENT

**IPA France**



I am pleased to announce the results of the elections for the French national board which took place on 26 March 2015 in Besançon.

Two new members joined the board, one of which is a young colleague, Florent Deleglise, 27 years of age, who is in charge of the national commission for communication and development of IPA France.



Here are the members of the newly elected board:

Rose Lourme	National President
Alain Massou	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice-President, in charge of the national cultural and national internal commissions
Nathalie Luszcz	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice-President, in charge of the national professional commission
Florent Deleglise	3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice-President, in charge of the national commission for communication and development
Georges Lakser	4 <sup>th</sup> Vice-President, in charge of the national commission for social affairs
Roland Moreau	National Secretary General
Gilles Filleux and Paul Lourme	National Assistant Secretaries General
Michel Noisiller	National Treasurer
Jean Louis Dubois	National Assistant Treasurer

The National Council meeting 2015 of the French section has brought new wind to the section, mainly due to the presence and participation of young colleagues, new departmental presidents and regional advisers; all willing to share and commit themselves, without forgetting the achievements of former members, always faithful to their involvement in the IPA.

The members of the National Board have defined the outlines of a document aiming at recruiting new members. This will form the main objective of the coming term.



The sharing of best practices as well as exchanges on international, national, regional and departmental levels will be the other major priority of IPA France, together with the setting-up of new departmental delegations.

We were pleased to welcome two former National Presidents, Michel Zueras and Daniel Condaminas at our meeting, the National Presidents of IPA Switzerland, Ronald Wüthrich, and IPA Luxembourg, Fernand Grisius, as well as the Secretary General of section Germany, Patric Louis.

The International President Pierre-Martin Moulin was also present for the elections, and we would like to thank him for taking the time to pay us a visit. The members of the national council were pleased to have the opportunity to meet him and listen to his speech. As part of his visit, he awarded the former National Vice-President Pierre Suszek with a certificate of merit, thanking him for 45 years of membership and his outstanding dedication to the IPA.



Re-elected as National President, it is with great pleasure that I will lead this new team, to work for the development of our association for the 3 years to come.

I would like to thank everyone who supported me.

Servo per Amikeco

**Rose Lourme, President IPA France**

## AROUND THE WORLD

### 60 Years IPA Germany



*Official ceremony in Münster-Hiltrup*

During the opening ceremony for the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations of IPA Germany, Vice President Oliver Hoffmann welcomed numerous guests from Germany and abroad, amongst them the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Vice President Werner Busch as well as leading politicians and high-ranking police officers. As the motto for the celebrations was 'back to the roots of section Germany', the location chosen for the festivities - the University of the German Police in Münster-

Hiltrup, Westphalia - was significant: it was here that section Germany was founded exactly 60 years ago.

On 3 March 1955, the former director of the institute, Herbert Kalicinski founded the German section with Dr Theodor Mommsen, Walter Schult along with the active support of the former President of IPA France, Max Florentin.

The guest speakers highlighted the national and international involvement of the IPA in Germany and throughout the world and emphasised in particular the peaceful co-existence of all IPA friends, which even in today's world is far from a day-to-day occurrence. The mayor of Münster, Beate Vilhjalmsson, began her speech with 'pax optima rerum' and continued by expressing that she was proud that the foundation certificate of IPA Germany had been drawn up in the very town that had witnessed the signing of the peace treaty after the Thirty Years' War.

Gerd Thielmann, Vice President of the University of the German Police and longstanding IPA member, stressed the role of the IPA as an extremely important institution in Europe and the world, and praised the excellent network of the association. The President of IPA Germany, Horst Bichl, thanked the founder of the association, Arthur Troop, as well as all men and women of the 'first hour' and added that without them, the organisation as we have it today would not have been possible.

Jürgen Klös, former International President and President of the German section reviewed the achievements of the German section, and the catholic police chaplain, Dr Michael Arnemann remembered all deceased IPA friends throughout the world in a minute of silence after his speech.

The festive gala evening started in Selm in the refectory of North-Rhine Westphalia's Office for Education and Training for the Police with the handing over of a cheque from the social fund by the Treasurer Rolf Schubert, thus providing rapid and unbureaucratic financial aid for an IPA family, enabling them to purchase vital equipment which is urgently needed for their disabled child.

Highlights of the evening included the well-received speech given by the International President of the IPA, Pierre-Martin Moulin, the recognition of dedicated members and the awarding of IPA Germany's Friendship Prize 2015 to the Secretary General of section Poland, Arkadiusz Skrzypczak.

Everyone commented on the lovely celebrations with good friends from Germany and abroad, and all were extremely pleased with their copy of the beautiful book '60 years IPA Germany', designed by Vice-President Hubert Vitt, which was handed to each guest.

***Horst Bichl, President IPA Germany***



Arkadiusz Skrzypczak receives the friendship prize

## Meeting of the Northern European Forum in the Netherlands



*Group photo of the NEF meeting*

The annual Northern European Forum (NEF) conference took place from 19 to 21 February in Nootdorp near The Hague.

This year twelve sections took part in the conference: Sweden, Finland, Russia, Estonia, Poland, Austria, Switzerland, France, Luxemburg, Belgium, the United Kingdom and the Netherlands. A number of sections could unfortunately not take part in the meeting for various reasons.

The IEB was represented by two of its members, the AISG Stephen Crockard and the AIT Wolfgang Gabrutsch.

The meeting of this forum was in fact a preparation for the World Congress taking place later this year in Cyprus. There were discussions regarding the candidacy for the IEB as well as debates about experience, best practices and other issues within the framework of the IPA.

Organising this conference for the NEF was a first test for the working group charged with organising the World Congress in the Netherlands in 2018, including the

transportation of the participants and organisation of excursions for partners, amongst other things.

It was a successful meeting, held in a very friendly atmosphere, aided by the excellent hotel accommodation.

During the gala dinner at the end of the meeting, Section IPA Netherlands received a certificate of merit from the IEB, for the organisation of the meeting.

All in all we can look back at a very productive meeting. A short video clip (in Dutch) and some photos can be seen on the IPA Netherlands website:

<http://www.ipa-nederland.Photos>

<https://NEF 2015 meeting youtube clip>

***Jaap Taal, President IPA Netherlands***

## IPA UK produces new promotional video

Section UK member Brian Kennedy has produced another video to help with membership recruitment.

In the video, Brian, who is the Publicity Officer for Section UK's 2 Region (Northern Ireland), explains how he has now changed his approach to answering the question posed by friends and colleagues curious about joining the IPA.

Brian reflects on a recent event at which he met and chatted to IPA members with 50 years' IPA membership under their belt. At the event, he learned how being a member had enriched their lives – through the friends they had made over the decades and from all over the world; they had anecdotes of the places they'd seen and the opportunities they and their families had experienced – opportunities that would never have been possible without IPA membership and IPA friendship.

'In my opinion', concludes Brian **'IPA will enrich your life.** In future, instead of telling people about the range of membership benefits on offer if they do join, I shall point out the experiences, friendship and quality of life they'll miss out on if they don't!'

You can see the video at: <http://www.ipa-uk.org/Video-Library>

***Elizabeth Jones, Communications Manager IPA UK***



*Brian at a recent IPA promotional event*

## IPA Poland co-organises memorial football tournament



*IPA players taking part in the memorial football tournament*

In 2010, Lt. Andrzej Struj, an off-duty police officer, intervened in an act of hooliganism in Warsaw. He was stabbed with a knife and died at the scene, leaving two children. Three months later his colleagues organised a football competition, with the proceeds of the event being handed over to his family.

2015 marked the sixth edition of this football tournament in memory of Andrzej Struj. From 12-13 February, four IPA teams from Lithuania, Moldova, Romania and Serbia competed amongst

43 teams formed from law enforcement agencies. Following the win of an IPA team from Moldova in 2014, this year, the competition was won by a Polish team.

***Jacek Michalkowski, Liaison Officer IPA Poland***

## ON THE TABLE OF THE IEB

### Take part in our IPA Cybercrime seminar in Gimborn!

By special request of IPA Denmark, our training and education facility IBZ Gimborn will be offering a seminar about: 'Cybercrime using digital media' from 31 August until 4 September 2015.

The seminar will cover the most up-to-date information and provide you with the necessary expertise to tackle cybercrime – an international topic which we believe is becoming increasingly important. The seminar will be held in English.

The International Professional Commission strongly recommends this seminar to all IPA members.

To register, please follow the link: [www.ibz-gimborn.de](http://www.ibz-gimborn.de)

***Kees Sal, Chairman International Professional Commission***



## Origins, tasks and working methods of the International Commission for External Relations (ERC)

IPA's first steps towards recognition as a non-governmental organisation (NGO) were taken in 1962 by initiating discussions with Raymonde Martineau, contact person for NGOs at the United Nations in Geneva. Subsequently, and following the proposal of several sections, a commission of observers was formed in 1963, with the task of reporting on the activities of the United Nations, and the idea to establish relationships with the FIFSP (International Federation of Senior Police Officers) was brought forward.



The following IPA friends were in charge of UN affairs:

- André Baumgartner (Switzerland)
- M. Wright (USA)
- Reverend B.C. Eckardt (Canada), who had many contacts within the UN and
- Georges Westerma, ambassador for Panama at the UN

Thank you to Georges Thulliez for providing this historical information.



*Franz Berger, UN Vienna*



*Rob Out, Europol, The Hague*



*Franck Stéphan, EU Strasbourg*



*Benoît Martinet, UNESCO Paris*

Nowadays, the ERC has its legal basis in the IPA's International Statute (Article 14.B) and the Directive for International Commissions, the latter of which in particular is concerned with the allocation of the commission's tasks. At present, the ERC has eight members and is led by the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Vice President, Werner Busch, assisted by the ERC Secretary, Steve Connor.



The Association is: an NGO with Consultative (Special) Status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations; in Consultative Status with the Council of Europe, the Organization of American States (OAS) and UNESCO; an International NGO maintaining operational relations within EUROPOL.

At times, there seems to be little awareness of the tasks of the ERC: the commission initiates new contacts and maintains existing relationships with international organisations and acts as a 'door opener' for the IPA in general and the commissions of the IEB in particular. Furthermore, the ERC provides advice for the IEB and information for all sections. All ERC members gather information from the life of the IPA and prepare annual and triannual reports. These reports are obligatory for all NGOs in order to maintain their respective status within the UN. Failing to submit these reports can relatively quickly lead to the withdrawal of the status.



*Philippe Antoine, EU Brussels*



*Jimmy Albrecht, UN New York*



*Georges Thulliez, UN Geneva*



*Charlie T. Deane, OAS Washington*

All ERC members attend meetings of the organisations where we have an NGO status. This status predominantly gives us the right to attend; oral statements can only be made to a limited extent. Therefore, for selected topics and issues, the ERC is now increasingly taking the opportunity to present the position of the IPA as an NGO as well as the largest police organisation, in written statements.

The ERC should not be regarded as a foreign ministry of the international board, but rather as a link to the international institutions. This implies that any kind of intervention regarding the interests of sections or indeed states is not possible. We may be concerned about some countries, where the police is involved in the violation of human rights, or we may witness that the political leadership of a country works strongly against the IPA, but the ERC cannot under any circumstances get involved in such issues.

***Werner Busch, Chairman International Commission for External Relations***

## IEB Meeting Skopje, 17-21 March 2015



*The President of IPA  
FYRO Macedonia,  
Ljupco Andonovski,  
presenting an IPA wine!*

The IEB met for its March meeting in Skopje in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. Unfortunately, Kees Sal and Gal Sharon were unable to attend due to illness.

The IEB were well looked after by IPA FYRO Macedonia's President Ljupco Andonovski and his team, and we enjoyed 3 excellent joint meals, a tour of the city and visits to a winery and the Museum of the Macedonian Struggle.

The board members completed more than 20 hours of productive work and discussions on a range of important subjects. Each is an appointed liaison officer to a number of sections, and all reported on the updates supplied by their sections concerning activities and progress.

The new IEB job descriptions were discussed, and new forms were drawn up for the World Congress IAC registration, the forthcoming elections for the IEB, the internal auditors and for appointments to the commissions. These forms will be sent out to all sections at the beginning of May.

A large part of the meeting was concerned with work on the International Statutes, following the important decisions made in Potsdam. Board members carried out a brainstorming session regarding the financial side of the Association, a first step to establish for the mid-term a sound and balanced financial strategy. Work will continue by



*Thank you for the delicious meals!*

email for final agreement at the June meeting, which will be held at IBZ Gimborn.

The IP requested in December, that in the interest of openness and transparency, current IEB members declare their intentions concerning the 2015 elections at the Skopje meeting.

**Pierre-Martin Moulin** will stand for President.

**Gal Sharon** will stand for the Socio-Cultural Commission and Vice-President.

**Werner Busch** will stand for Secretary General.

**Kees Sal** will announce his decision by the end of April.

**George Katsaropoulos** will stand for Secretary General.

**Stephen Crockard** will stand for Head of Administration.

**Romain Miny** will stand for Treasurer Finances.

**Wolfgang Gabrutsch** will stand for Treasurer Social Affairs.

The IEB members held a short joint meeting with the members of the National Executive Board of IPA FYRO Macedonia. Following personal introductions and statements, matters of mutual interest were discussed. The IP then presented Ljupco Andonovski and his colleagues with certificates of merit for the excellent organisation of the IEB meeting and visit.

Our meeting in FYRO Macedonia was a success on all levels. We had a good and positive working session, and we got to know better our friends in Skopje and were pleased to offer our support to this young and vibrant new section of our Association.

Thank you IPA FYRO Macedonia!

***Stephen Crockard, Assistant International Secretary General***

## LAST WORD

Having recently returned from the IEB meeting in Macedonia, my desk is cluttered with the preparation of minutes, some last-minute articles for the IPA Newsletter as well as a variety of draft forms and documents for the next World Congress in Cyprus, to be sent out to you shortly. Which nicely leads me to remind all of you attending the congress or friendship week to **register with the organising Section, IPA Cyprus by 30 April 2015!**

Looking out of the office window right now, watching the trees bend in the strong storm and sitting at my desk still slightly wet from having been drenched during my lunch hour, I can honestly say that I cannot wait until October – the thought of warmth and sunshine is very appealing right now!

I will be there for work, of course, but you might just catch a glimpse of me early in the morning or late in the afternoon, enjoying a swim in the beautiful Mediterranean Sea...Feel free to join me ☺

*Elke*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Full details of all events, where available, have been sent to sections separately. Please find below a summary for the next 12 months:

<b>Section</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
Ireland	12-19 April 2015	60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Friendship Week
Cyprus	16-19 Apr 2015	ISC Liaison Officers Seminar
Switzerland	17-18 Apr 2015	60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations
Malta	23-28 April 2015	Dynamic Tri-Gun Competition
Austria	8-10 May 2015	30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Villach
Pakistan	3 May 2015	1 <sup>st</sup> Int'l Small Arms Shooting comp., Karachi
Croatia	9 May 2015	3 <sup>rd</sup> 1-day Tourn. of precise shooting, Stobreč
Greece	11-17 May 2015	50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Friendship Week, Chalkidiki
Germany	14-17 May 2015	60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary IPA Berlin
Portugal	19-23 May 2015	Copa del Mar Football Tourn., Loulé
Poland	22-24 May 2015	International Windsurfing Regatta, Kalisz
Spain	28-31 May 2015	IPA Motorcycle Tour, Pyrenees
Spain	28-31 May 2015	5-a-side International Football Torun., Salou
Poland	28-31 May 2015	XVI Int'l Football Tournament, Poznan
Canada	28 May-6 Jun 2015	Friendship Week Niagara Falls
Italy	3-7 Jun 2015	16 <sup>th</sup> Troph. dell'Adriatico Footb. T., Giulianova
Bulgaria	4-7 Jun 2015	17 <sup>th</sup> IPA-Conf. Mediterranean Region, Varna
Poland	11-13 Jun 2015	IV IPA Int'l Football Champ., Gdynia
Germany	11-14 Jun 2015	17 <sup>th</sup> IPA Flyin, Schwäbisch Hall
Italy	11-14 Jun 2015	5 <sup>th</sup> Motorcycle Rally, Dolomites
Belgium	15-22 Jun 2015	40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary IPA Charleroi
Estonia	15-19 Jul 2015	Estonian Summer Days
USA	15-25 Jul 2015	Region 57 See America Tour
Poland	19-26 Jul 2015 26 Jul-2 Aug 2015	Young Police Officers Seminar, Legionowo Friendship Week for YPOS participants
France	27 Jul-2 Aug 2015	Friendship Meeting Rhône-Alpes
Luxembourg	30-31 Jul 2015	1 <sup>st</sup> European Golf Tourn. for police officers
Spain	1-15 Aug 2015	International Youth Gathering
UK	8-15 Aug 2015	Friendship Week – A Taste of Scotland
Poland	23-31 Aug 2015	XV World Ind. Soccer Police Ass. T., Krakow
Italy	17-20 Sep 2015	2 <sup>nd</sup> Riviera delle Palma Trophy, Grottammare
Austria	17-20 Sept 2015	Biker Meeting, Steiermark
Austria	18-20 Sep 2015	30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations, Leibnitz
Austria	20-27 Sep 2015	Hiking Week, Nassfeld
Netherlands	12-16 Oct 2015	World Police Indoor Soccer Tourn., Marveld
Cyprus	12-18 Oct 2015 18-25 Oct 2015	XXI World Congress, Limassol Friendship Week
Spain	28 Nov 2015	XV Int'l Trader Show, Barcelona
Austria	4-6 Dec 2015	30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Oberkärnten + Krampuskr.

## FORTHCOMING GIMBORN SEMINARS

Please see below a 4-month summary of seminars with vacancies, offered by our international education centre IBZ Gimborn in Germany.

If you are interested in taking part in any of these seminars, please follow the link:

[www.ibz-gimborn.de](http://www.ibz-gimborn.de)



<b>Date</b>	<b>Seminar</b>	<b>Language</b>
13-17 Apr 2015	Usurpation d'identité et fraudes massives – une menace réelle pour notre sécurité financière	F
20-24 Apr 2015	Migration und Kriminalität	G
04-08 May 2015	Rechtsextremismus – Neueste Entwicklungen	G
18-22 May 2015	Islam and Islamism – History and culture of a world-religion between everyday-life and extremism Islam und Islamismus – Geschichte und Kultur einer Weltreligion zwischen Alltag und Extremismus	E and G
08-12 Jun 2015	Bezpieczenstwo bez granic? - Miedzynarodowa wspólpraca transgraniczna Policji w Europie - Przyklad Polska – Niemcy Sicherheit ohne Grenzen? – Internationale, grenzüberschreitende Zusammenarbeit der Polizeien in Europa – Bsp. Polen - Deutschland	G and Pol
15-19 Jun 2015	Terrorismus – politisch und religiös motivierte Gewalttaten in Europa	G
22-26 Jun 2015	Violenza Intorno alla Partita di calcio – Contro il teppismo (hooliganismo) e la Scorta della Polizia e di organizzazioni Gewalt im Spiel – Gewalttätigkeit und Kriminalität im Umfeld von Fußballspielen	G and I
12-18 Jul 2015	ASP Instructor Course	E