IPA Newsletter

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‘Our IPA flag standing proudly amongst all national flags’



A beautiful moment captured during the recent IEB meeting at the IPA Education Centre Schloss Gimborn

WORD OF INTRODUCTION

Gimborn – or a few days in Paradise



The IPA International Executive Board met in Gimborn at the end of May. This second IEB meeting of the year gave us the opportunity to check the status of ongoing projects as well as draft the agenda of the forthcoming IPA World Congress and examine the motions from sections. All in all, it was an interesting agenda and working session, and a great chance to spend a few days together and reinforce our team spirit. Unfortunately however, the Secretary General and the Head of Administration could not join us this time.

I don't want to bother you with all the details of the meeting, but I am keen to let you know that the more often I go to Gimborn, the more I fall in love with this place. For those of you who don't know, Gimborn is an independent training centre located near Cologne, in Germany, a castle well hidden in the hills and woods. The IPA founded and continues to support this education centre where about 40 international seminars on all kinds of security and policing matters are organised each year.

For a start, Gimborn fulfils perfectly its primary purpose as training centre, offering great seminars with key speakers and the unique chance to meet participants from different countries, allowing exchange of best practice. Should you wish to organise a seminar or a meeting, this is also possible.

Secondly, the location of this facility, the peace and quiet you feel when entering the property and during your stay is amazing and certainly welcome in our busy times.

Last but not least, you realise just how much Gimborn is part of the IPA history and how important it is for all of us to ensure its future, as an essential guarantor of our values: friendship and service.

I had my doubts along the way about the necessity to keep supporting such a centre, thinking that it should find its own financial strategy. I was probably too blind then to realise the value of this institution and that what you can give also has the capacity to make things priceless.

You can become an individual member, and your IPA region/branch or section can also become a member if this had not already been arranged. Take the chance and sign up!

Thanks to René Kauffmann, the director of Gimborn, and to all his team, for running this place so well and with so much effort.

Try Gimborn, I bet you will 'adopt' it!

Servo per Amikeco,

Pierre-Martin Moulin, IPA President

AROUND THE WORLD

NEW NATIONAL PRESIDENT

IPA ANDORRA

Queridos amigos,



En primer lugar, me gustaría dar las gracias por todas las felicitaciones que he recibido con motivo de mi reelección como presidente nacional de la Sección Andora y a la vez agradecer a mis compañeros de la Junta Nacional que sin su apoyo y constancia no lo hubiéramos conseguido i por supuesto a los socios.

En esta nueva reelección como presidente ya van más de 12 años sumando las dos de vice-presidencias al frente de la sección, consiguiendo poder pasar de Agrupación Andorra, a Comité Fundacional y finalmente como Sección Nacional, han sido días muy largos, muchas reuniones y en definitivamente mucho trabajo que finalmente llego su fruto en Hungría 2005, cuando llegamos a ser Sección Nacional y lo mejor de todo es aprender día a día y crecer juntos.

Después de estos últimos años con la crisis económica que todo el mundo hemos pasado no ha sido fácil llevar la dirección, tanto a nivel personal como profesional hemos padecido muchas circunstancias ajenas a nuestra voluntad las cuales nos llevaron a perder capacidad de gestión y socios.

Es una Junta de continuación en un proyecto de trabajar en conseguir remontar la perdida de socios que sufrimos durante los pasados años y potenciar al máximo la hospitalidad de las visitas que tenemos por las características de nuestro país que cada vez son mayores.

Seguiremos aportando con nuestro trabajo, constancia y espirito todo lo mejor para nuestra gran familia que es IPA.

Gracias amigos

SERVO PER AMIKEKO

Toni Pujol, Presidente IPA Andorra

NEW NATIONAL PRESIDENT

IPA Österreich



Liebe IPA Freunde!



Vorweg möchte ich mich bei allen Delegierten des XIX. Nationalen Kongresses der IPA Österreich für das mir entgegengebrachte Vertrauen sehr herzlich bedanken. Es ist eine große Ehre für mich, zukünftig die verantwortungsvolle Funktion des Präsidenten der IPA Österreich wahrnehmen zu dürfen.

Ich bin 46 Jahre alt und begann bereits mit 15 Jahren als Polizeipraktikant meine ‚Exekutivkarriere' bei der Wiener Polizei. 2001 entschloss ich mich für einen Ressortwechsel in das Justizministerium und wechselte in das größte Hochsicherheitsgefängnis Österreichs. Nach verschiedenen Aus- und Weiterbildungen bin ich vor 3 Jahren in der Strafvollzugsakademie Wien angekommen, wo ich die Planstelle des stv. Leiters der Abteilung Grundausbildung bekleide und bei der Aus- und Fortbildung von Strafvollzugsbediensteten mitwirke.

Ein kleines Jubiläum hatte ich heuer mit der IPA zu feiern: am 14. Mai jährte es sich zum 30. Mal, dass ich der IPA beigetreten bin. Ich blieb 15 Jahre lang einfaches IPA-Mitglied und entschloss mich 2002 als Funktionär mitzuwirken, zuerst 2 Jahre als Sekretär, danach 13 Jahre als Verbindungsstellenleiter.

Anfang 2016 habe ich die Funktion des Generalsekretärs der IPA Österreich übernommen. Eine große Ehre und Herausforderung, die ich ich gerne angenommen habe, so mal ich jede Unterstützung von Otto König, dem vorherigen hervorragenden Generalsekretär erhielt. Vielen Dank, Otto, für deine außergewöhnlichen Leistungen für die IPA Österreich!

Reinhard Moser stellte sich aus gesundheitlichen Gründen sich nicht mehr zur Wiederwahl. Diese Entscheidung wurde selbstverständlich von allen respektiert. Herzlichen Dank, Reinhard, für Dein großes Engagement für die IPA Österreich in den letzten Jahren.

Weiters möchte ich mich bei allen IPA-Funktionären in den Verbindungsstellen, den Landesgruppen und den Sektionen für ihr ehrenamtliches Engagement für die IPA bedanken! Ich freue mich immer, wenn ich bei Veranstaltungen im In- und im Ausland neue IPA-Funktionäre und -Freunde kennenlerne und sehe, mit welchem Engagement und Freude dort gearbeitet wird. Diese positive Kommunikation und Zusammenarbeit will ich künftig im Sinne unseres Leitspruches stärken, nämlich in Freundschaft dienen!

Ein weiteres, mir besonders wichtiges Anliegen folgt Arthur Troop, dem Gründer der IPA 1950, der größten Wert darauf legte, dass die IPA eine soziale, kulturelle und

berufliche Verbindung unter seinen Mitgliedern ist, welche frei von Diskriminierungen aufgrund von Rang, Geschlecht, Rasse, Hautfarbe, Sprache oder Religion ist.

Auch in besonders schwierigen Zeiten wie diesen, wo Terroranschläge, Kriege und Flüchtlingsströme nicht nur die Nachrichten, sondern mehr und mehr unseren Dienstalltag prägen, sollten wir nicht den kollegialen Zusammenhalt und die Menschlichkeit außer Acht lassen.

Ich freue mich auf meine künftige Aufgabe und ein Zusammentreffen mit allen IPA Freunden im Sinne unseres Leitspruches: ‚servo per amikeco!'

Martin Hoffmann, Präsident IPA Österreich

IPA Bosnia & Herzegovina stage successful 'Bijeljina 2017'

On Saturday 29 April 2017, IPA Bosnia & Herzegovina held the second IPA meeting 'Bijeljina 2017', which was attended by around 200 participants from at home and abroad.



The day started with the slalom race 'Bijeljina 2017' for cars, which involved fifteen racers in three categories: up to 1200cc, up to 1600cc and over 1600cc. Placement by category can be seen in the table below.

The event was rounded off with a gala dinner in the evening where a fun cultural programme was performed for all participants.

AUTO SLALOM TRKA
II MEĐUNARODNI IPA SUSRETI "BIJELJINA 2017"
VOŽNJA 1

red. broj	start. broj	klasa	ime i prezime takmičara	ime ekipe	vozilo	pol	VOŽNJA 1 Vrijeme
			Klasa1 do 1200 ccm				
1	11	1	Milen Simić	Bijeljina	Zastava 750 ccm	M	00:41,243
2	8	1	Ivan Ivković	Smederevo	Lancia Logan 900 ccm	M	00:45,871
3	4	1	Zdravko Dačić	Bijeljina	Renault 4 850 ccm	M	01:03,212
			Klasa 2 od 1200 do 1600 ccm				
1	14	2	Dejan Stajić	Bijeljina	Citroen Saxo 1600 ccm	M	**00:40,932**
2	10	2	Predrag Simeunović	Sarajevo	Kia ProCeed 1589 ccm	M	00:41,126
3	12	2	Goran Čamur	Bijeljina	VW Cedy 1600 ccm	M	00:42,114
4	1	2	Ivica Malić	Jajce	Lancia Y-10 GT 1301 ccm	M	00:43,461
5	7	2	Dragan Mitić	Požarevac	Reno Scenic 1500 ccm	M	00:46,149
6	5	2	Dejan Raković	Bar	Volsfagen Kedi 1600 ccm	M	00:48,776
			Klasa 3 do 1600 ccm+				
1	9	3	Mile Rebrinović	Bijeljina	Audi A4 1988 ccm	M	00:43,766
2	2	3	Miroslav Pantelić	Ub	Škoda Fabia 1900 ccm	M	00:45,226
3	13	3	Marija Ivanović	Kruševac	Audi A4 2000 ccm	Ž	00:46,816
4	6	3	Radivoje Ković	Kruševac	Audi A4 2000 ccm	M	00:47,005
5	3	3	Novica Ivanović	Bijeljina	Mazda 626 2000 ccm	M	00:47,050

This included folklore group performances and the promotion of the book 'Putešestvija' by the writer Špejtima Sojeva. During the festive dinner, a Charter of Cooperation between IPA RK Bijeljina and IPA RK Nis was signed.

The board of IPA RK Bijeljina is grateful to all guests and participants for visiting and taking part in the event.

If you would like to get an impression of the day, you are invited to have a look at the following video: Bijeljina 2017

Miro Sučić, President IPA Bosnia & Herzegovina

IPA Malta: News from a busy section!

Time passes quickly, and here we are celebrating our 53rd Anniversary. An anniversary is not just a celebration which is organised on an annual basis, but it is a yearly milestone which the association achieves together with its members and friends.



IPA Malta Thanksgiving Mass

We try to make the IPA experience an unforgettable one where our members enjoy their time in a safe and healthy environment. With the kind of job we have, everyone needs those relaxing times amongst friends. Events organised by IPA Malta have become very popular and are attended by the majority of our members and their families.

This year, as Malta is also holding its turn for the presidency of the Council of the European Union, we tried to spread our events over a whole month so as not to disrupt police operations whilst giving the opportunity for our members to attend during non-busy periods. These past months have been very busy for the Malta Police force and it was not very easy to fit all events into the calendar, but I am happy to say that we managed, and all events were successful.



IPA Malta Pistol Shooting Competition

Activities started on 17 April with a Dynamic Pistol Shooting Competition at the Police Shooting Range where a good number of IPA members participated. This competition also paved the way to start our preparations for an International Pistol Shooting Competition being planned to coincide with our next anniversary in 2018, to which all IPA (worldwide) members will be invited to attend.

For this important milestone, IPA Malta has teamed up with the Easy School of Languages www.easysl.com who will be assisting IPA members and their relatives visiting our island to study English. IPA Malta, in collaboration with the Easy School of Languages, will also organise an innovative event next summer to which all of you will be invited to attend, have fun and learn English.

As is our custom, on Sunday 27 April, a Thanksgiving Mass with refreshments was held at the Police headquarters. A Buffet Dinner was also organised on 5 May, to round off our events.

In September 2017, IPA Malta will be organising a weekend-break to Sicily. IPA members, who wish to join us or have further information, may send us their interest on ipamalta@gmail.com. This will be our final event for this term before our National Executive Committee elections planned for October.

Finally I wish to inform you that as from July, we should return to normal business (as the Maltese Presidency term for the Council of the European Union will be over) and will once again be able to assist members visiting our wonderful island.

Neville Mercieca, President IPA Malta

Section Lesotho holds successful IPA Structures Workshop

From 21-22 April 2017, IPA Lesotho held a structures workshop for the National Executive Council, regional committees as well as district secretaries at the Lakeside Hotel in the district of Maseru.



Group photo of participants with the president

A total of 26 IPA members had the opportunity to receive a refresher on a variety of topics, including the purpose of the IPA and its benefits, roles of IPA structures, communication and report channels, report writing and presentations, the IPA logo and its protection, as well as IPA merchandise production and IPA work plans.

In addition, the constitution of IPA Lesotho was reviewed, and amendments will come into force after adoption by the national conference in November 2017.

The objectives of the workshop were to assist the IPA structures with recruitment strategies, provide a 'refresher' regarding IPA roles, increase knowledge of merging IPA and police cultures and to review the constitution.

Furthermore the action plan of IPA Lesotho for 2017 was produced, detailing a variety of events and actions throughout the year. To give an impression of what IPA Lesotho has planned for 2017, here are a few sample events:

On 28 April, IPA Lesotho organised a cleaning campaign in the streets of the Maseru district; from 26 July – 2 August an educational tour of Botswana (Gabarone) has been planned; there will be sports competitions on 25 August at the Police Training College in Maseru; retired IPA members will be honoured and celebrated from 21-22 October during an event hosted in the South Region in Mohale's Hoek district; plus there will be fund raising activities – Back to School – Thaba Tseka – on 27 October.

The annual congress of IPA Lesotho will take place from 22-25 November 2017 at the Mmelesi Lodge – Thaba Bosiu. Further information can be circulated to IPA members interested in celebrating together with IPA Lesotho.

Thato Mokoteli, Secretary General IPA Lesotho

IPA Poland holds successful Table Tennis championships

The 5th IPA Polish Open Championship in Table Tennis was held from 29-30 April 2017 in Radom in the Municipal Sports and Recreation Centre Hall. As always, the event was a great opportunity for 'IPA integration', as well as making table tennis as a form of active recreation more popular, and for selecting best IPA teams and players. In Poland, the IPA brings together exclusively police officers and border guards. The championship, however, was open to all 'uniformed services'. Therefore, we were glad to welcome teams and individual players from the Radom Fire Brigade and Regional Directorate of State Forests. IPA teams came from all over Poland, and Teams from Ireland, Russia and Romania had also shown an interest. Eventually, we hosted two new colleagues from Nicosia, Cyprus: Stavros and Marinos.







Top left: the draw; top right: Stavros in action; bottom photo: the closing gala

As usual, the tournament was organised by the Radom Region of the International Police Association together with the Provincial Board of the Police Trade Union and the Radom Table Tennis Integrative Club.

Fans were able to cheer for 13 teams and 32 competitors (including two women). Following an initiative of our Cypriot colleagues, an international IPA team was also formed, with the participation of the main organiser, the 'godfather' of the event, Mirosław Guziński.

The competition had been entered into the sports event calendar of the Polish Table Tennis Association. This time we were honoured once more by the patronage of the Provincial Police Commander, the President of the Polish Section of the IPA and the Mayor of Radom, who were also the donators of the cups.

The organisers had made every effort to conduct the competition safely, in accordance with the rules of fair play and to provide a pleasant stay in Radom for all players. I dare say that we faced up to the challenge!

As always, we were able to count on the logistical and financial support of our supporters and sponsors. Without them, organising the event would not have been possible.

We would like to invite interested foreign teams to contact our IPA colleagues from Cyprus to find out if it was worthwhile for them to come to Radom.

A special thank-you to our friend, the President of Section Cyprus, Michael Odysseos, former International President of the Association, for making the participation of the IPA Cyprus representatives in the championship possible.

Individual and group results can be found on our official website at www.ipa.org.pl.

Text by Krzysztof Kapturski, chairman IPA Radom

Photos by Dama Bajbak and Krzysztof Kapturski

With the help of a simple travel form: IPA UK member enjoys Hong Kong friendship



A couple of months ago I decided I would go and see a mate of mine who was living and working in Hong Kong.

Despite having been an IPA member for quite a few years, I had never sent a travel form or asked for assistance. On this occasion I decided that, because my friend was working for a few days when I was out there and I'd have a bit more time on my own, I would see if any like-minded locals wanted to meet up and sent the form.

The response from Hong Kong section was fantastic!

I was met at the airport by a couple of IPA members, who made sure that I got to my friend's apartment in my jet-lagged state. A few days later, I was honoured to accept their offer of a dim sum lunch at the Hong Kong Police Recreation Club; the sort of facility that British policing could only dream about.

Following this, I was taken to the Hong Kong Police HQ and made a visit to their Cyber Security and Technology Crime Bureau. As a Cybercrime trainer, it was great to learn that the issues around investigating cybercrime and training non-specialist officers are common across the globe.

We agreed to stay in touch and maybe even do some work together in the future!

All this from just sending off a simple form.

Generally Hong Kong is an exciting and fascinating place and I had a fantastic week out there and would recommend it, and the hand of friendship offered by the IPA, to everyone.

Steven Atkin, member IPA UK

XI Encuentro de coleccionismo de la Sección Andorra

El 6 de mayo, celebramos el XI encuentro de coleccionismo de la Sección Andorra, con una gran participación de socios venidos de diferentes países.



Foto de familia, con los escudos de la parraquia d'Escaldes-Engordan y IPA

Dicho evento se celebro en el Prat del Roure, un centro deportivo-socio-cultural, en la parroquia de Escaldes-Engordany.

Fue un dia especial, a parte de las visitas de curiosos y interesados que aprovecharon para visitarnos, recibimos la visita de la Cònsol Major, Sra. Trini Marin (maxima autoridad en la parroquia), a la cual des de la Sección Andorra queríamos agradecerle la colaboración recibida des del Comú en la session de la sala para la realización de este evento durante mas de ocho años.



Nacho Zuñia de IPA Barcelona, obsequio a la Hblé. Cònsol Major, con una taza de la Guardia Urbana de Barcelona

Que sin su colaboración y la participación de nuestros compañeros no hubiéramos llegado a la XI edición.

El Presidente le hizo entrega de una placa de cerámica y un pin de plata con el emblema de l'asociación, por su parte la Hblé. Cònsol Major, hizo entrega de un libro de la parroquia y el pin de plata de la parroquia d'Escaldes-Engordany.

Tuvo un bonito detalle por parte de la Hblé. Cònsol Major, entregando un libro a todos los participantes en el encuentro de coleccionismo.

Finalmente en agradecimiento a participación la sección IPA Andorra, ofreció un pica-pica a todos los presentes.

Toni Pujol, Presidente IPA Andorra

5th IPA RC Split-Dalmatia Sharp Shooting Competition held in Stobreč, Croatia



On the 15th anniversary of the establishment of the IPA Regional Club Split-Dalmatia, the club continues with its ambitious annual plan. Following a series of successful events earlier this year, the Regional Club organised the 5th International Sharp Shooting Competition on 6 May 2017 in Stobreč, Croatia.

The competition attracted 72 competitors, representing 6 IPA sections and 10 IPA clubs. They were joined by representatives from the Ministry of Interior of the Herzegovina-Neretva County, Mostar (Bosnia and Herzegovina) and the sharp shooters from the Special Police Unit BATT Split, Croatia, the 2nd Police Station Split and the Border Police Station Trilj (Croatia).

The German Section was represented by 2 teams from Stuttgart, Section Slovakia and the Czech Section sent 1 team each, Section Bosnia and Herzegovina was represented by 6 teams, besides the above-mentioned representatives of the Ministry of Interior of the Herzegovina-Neretva County, Mostar. In addition, IPA Montenegro was represented by the IPA Shooter Club, while the Croatian Section was represented by a further 3 teams.

For the teams representing the Ministry of Interior, the IPA RC Bijeljina and the IPA RC Banska Bystrica this marked their first participation in the competition, helping us to spread the idea of the sport gatherings even further, with the final aim of sharing experiences and knowledge, as well as increasing international connections between colleagues working in the same everyday jobs.

Showing high-quality marksmanship and handling of police weapons, all competitors displayed a responsible and disciplined attitude towards the shooting sport's rules. Winners were awarded in three categories: women, men and teams.

The women's category included 10 competitors and was won by Jelena Božić from Croatia. Gold and silver were won by Jasmina Halapić and Mila Anić from Bosnia & Herzegovina.

In the men's competition, Adrian Eliaš, a police officer member from Slovakia won the gold medal. It was Adrian's first participation with his Slovak team, and the performance of all three Slovak participants highly improved the quality of the tournament. The ranking between the 2nd and 4th place had to be decided by a shoot-out, with Željko Krpan and Stipe Barać from Croatia winning silver and bronze respectively.

As for the team competition, the results showed changes in the ranking in comparison with the previous tournaments, with the team from IPA Montengro, who had won last year's bronze medal, winning gold this year. The representatives of the IPA RC Western Herzegovina County, Livno (B&H) became silver medallists and last year's winners IPA RC Zagreb from Croatia won the bronze medal.

After the competition, the evening was reserved for a dinner and gathering around a table in the hotel Fanat in Split. In a relaxed atmosphere, with the fire arms safe and listening to the Police *à Capella* band Saint Michael, all participants had a good time and an opportunity to exchange their experiences and enhance their knowledge in the areas common to all of them. Clubs' souvenirs and memory plaques were exchanged led by a famous journalist and friend of IPA, Sandra Barčot.



The 15th anniversary of the Regional Club and the 5th anniversary of the competition presents an excellent opportunity to express gratitude to all those who are responsible for the success of this project, and our gratitude goes to the Shooting Club Centar Split, to the shooting instructor in the Police Administration Split Dalmatia Mr Joke Matković and to our tireless member Mr Jadranko Rusić.

Special plaques of this 5th tournament were issued to the best competitors, and a 'gratitude plaque' was presented to Damir Gabrić, representative of the Split-Dalmatia County, which supported the organisation of the competition. In addition, the Secretary General of IPA Croatia, Željko Turk, who had also competed in the tournament, received a special jubilee competition plaque as a competitor participating in all five competitions so far.

An added value of the competition was the opportunity to establish good working relations and contacts and to be able to share new ideas for future projects in accordance with a motto 'something for everyone'.

IPA Regional Club Split-Dalmatia, IPA Croatia

XIX. Nationaler Kongress der IPA Österreich

Vom 20. bis zum 23. April 2017 fand in Pörtschach am Wörthersee unter dem Motto ‚35 Jahre Prävention der IPA in Österreich' der XIX. Nationale Kongress der IPA Österreich statt.



der neugewählte Bundesvorstand

Kongressteilnehmer und Gäste wurden auf den Pyramidenkogel, Kärntens schönsten Aussichtspunkt, gebracht, wo die Polizeimusik Kärnten sie empfing. Mit einem hervorragenden Abendessen im Hotel Werzer's klang dieser Tag aus.

Am Freitag wurde der Kongress feierlich im Kongresszentrum in Pörtschach eröffnet. Zahlreiche Ehrengäste aus dem BM für Inneres, dem BM für Justiz, der kath. Kirche, dem Land Kärnten, der Bezirkshauptmannschaft Klagenfurt, dem BFA, der LPD Kärnten, dem IBZ Gimborn sowie Vertreter von IPA-Partnern konnten begrüßt

werden. Weiters konnten Abgesandte des IEB und der Sektionen Deutschland, Italien, Polen, Rumänien, Schweden, Serbien, Slowakei, Slowenien und der Tschechischen Republik willkommen geheißen werden. Die Veranstaltung wurde musikalisch vom Polizeichor Kärnten mitgestaltet.



Verabschiedung Reinhard Mosers

Am Nachmittag trafen einander die Delegierten aller neun Landesgruppen zur Delegiertenversammlung. Die Funktionäre des Bundesvorstandes erstatteten ihren Rechenschaftsbericht über ihre Tätigkeiten der vergangenen drei Jahre. Einige Änderungen der Statuten (Zusammensetzung des gf. Bundesvorstandes, Änderung der Funktionsdauer und Ausschluss von Mitgliedern) wurden beschlossen. Die Ehrenpräsidentschaft für den aus gesundheitlichen Gründen zurückgetretenen Präsidenten Reinhard Moser, sowie die Ehrenmitgliedschaft für Otto König und Herbert Stammer wurden beschlossen. Anschließend wählten die 80 Delegierten den neuen gf. Bundesvorstand und die Rechnungsprüfer. Bei der konstituierenden Sitzung am Samstag wurden die Vizepräsidenten sowie die Vertreter des gf. Bundesvorstandes gewählt

Im Laufe des Festabends übergaben der neue Präsidenten, Martin Hoffmann, der LGO von Kärnten, Wolfgang Gabrutsch, und der Vorsitzende der Sozialkommission, Friedrich Herzog, einen ansehnlichen Betrag an die Mutter eines schwerst-behinderten Mädchens. Mit einer Saxophon-Musikgruppe und dem Kärntner Polizeichor klang der Festabend aus. Während der Eröffnung, der Delegiertenversammlung und des Festabends wurden zahlreiche Funktionäre der IPA Österreichische Sektion für ihre Verdienste geehrt.

Am Samstag stand eine Schiffsrundfahrt auf dem Wörthersee mit Begleitung eines Polizeibootes auf dem Programm. Beim Abendessen wurden bestehende Freundschaften gepflegt und neue geschlossen. Am Sonntag erfolgte nach dem Frühstück die Abreise der Gäste.

Besonderer Dank gebührt der Landesgruppe Kärnten für die Ausrichtung des XIX. Nationalen Kongresses der IPA Sektion Österreich in Pörtschach am Wörthersee

Robert Neumann, Generalsekretär der IPA Österreich

Interested in Public Relations?

Anita Kovačič Čelofiga is a Police Public Relations officer in Maribor, Slovenia.

She would like to hear from you, if you are also a Police PRO, or Press Officer, with the aim of perhaps forming an IPA interest group.

You can contact her at: anita.kovacic.celofiga@policija.si



ON THE TABLE OF THE IEB

Meeting of the External Relations Commission in Vienna



ERC members with John Brandolino (5th from left) and Tofik Murshudlu (2nd from right)

The IPA External Relations Commission (ERC) meeting, chaired by Alexey Gankin was held in Vienna, Austria, from 6-9 April 2017.

Andreas Niesser, with support of the executives of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Austria, took good care of all participants, and we would like to express our thanks to him for his efforts and hospitality. We would also like to congratulate Martin Hoffmann, President of IPA Austria on his recent election.

Alexey Gankin opened the meeting with a short initial speech and voiced his hope for creative work of the Commission present as follows:

Alexey Gankin	ERC Chair
Sofya Delaporta	ERC Secretary
Alex Sosnin	ERC Legal Advisor & IPA Rep. at the CoE (Strasbourg)
Jared O. Ojuok	IPA Representative at the at the UNON (Nairobi)
Andreas Niesser	IPA Representative at the UNOV (Vienna)
Judy Duff	IPA Representative at the OAS (Washington)

All ERC members introduced themselves and confirmed their readiness to work for the benefit of the IPA. Subsequently, the attendees approved the operating procedures and practical arrangements pertaining to the functioning of the commission.

A. Gankin presented the strategy of further work & development of the commission and the new prospects of this strategy, which had become available due to the upgraded IPA status in a number of International Organisations. He also indicated the new prospective lines of IPA cooperation with International Organisations and introduced the main strategic projects focused on further enhancing the IPA external relation development. Furthermore, he presented the smart data pertaining to the main trends of further development of the IPA ERC international cooperation strategy.

Following this, the ERC took part in a meeting with Mr. Gogolashvili, Chief of Protocol of the UNOV, who briefed everyone on the mission and objectives of the UN Office in Vienna. Mr. Gankin was advised that all discussions had been very

productive and Mr. Gogolashvili had been pleased to receive the high level delegation of the International Police Association.

In addition, ERC Members had a meeting with Mirella Dumar-Frahi, Executive Director of UNOV Liaison Department, who expressed an interest in cooperating with our organisation, signing an initial Protocol of Intent and a partnership agreement. She also expressed her willingness to have an initial visit and meetings at IBZ Gimborn for potential cooperation and utilising the site under UN auspices with the call of funds raised for implementation of the UN law enforcement-related training programmes.

The following meeting with Mr. John Brandolino, Executive Director of the UNOV Legal Department was crowned with success as well, resulting in a proposal for future multilateral cooperation with the IPA. This meeting was also attended by T. Murshudlu, Executive Director of the UNOV Law Enforcement Programmes Department.



The dove of peace in the ERC chair's hands

During all meetings at the UNOV, Mr Gankin informed all attendees about the IPA, its fundamental goals and objectives and tentative projects in the sphere of external relations cooperation. Commemorative IPA medals and souvenirs were presented.

In the main session of the ERC meeting, the commission members discussed questions of the current agenda, including the development of all items of the ERC programme. Regarding the 'IPA Partner Status' project, a working group (WG) with the following initial participants was established:

Alexey Gankin	WG Chair
Wolfgang Gabrutsch	WG Deputy Chair
Hong Po Lei	WG Curator of the project for Asia
Andreas Niesser	WG Curator of the project for Central Europe
Eamon Lynch	WG Curator of the project for Northern Europe
Alex Sosnin	WG Curator for the project for Southern Europe
Sofya Delaporta	WG Curator for the project for Eastern Europe
Jared O. Ojuok	WG Curator of the project for Africa
Judy Duff	WG Curator of the project for America and Canada

Finally, we would like to thank everyone involved in the organisation of the ERC meeting. Part of our hearts has been left in beautiful Vienna!

Servo per Amikeco!

Alexey Gankin, Chair of the External Relations Commission

IPA HOUSES – YOURS TO DISCOVER!

IPA Biggesee, Olpe, Germany

The IPA House, Biggesee stands alone on a hillside plot and is located directly on the Biggesee Lake, close to the town of Olpe which can be reached easily by Motorway via the Olpe Intersection or the Federal Highway 54/55. The region is ideal for those seeking relaxation, hikers and winter sports enthusiasts.



The IPA House comprises 7 rooms and accommodates 18 people. Room arrangements are as follows: 2 x four-bed-rooms, 1 x three-bed-room, 3 x double bed-rooms and 1 x single-bed-room. Some bedrooms offer a view of the lake.

IPA Biggesee is fully equipped with bathrooms, shower, toilets, kitchen, central heating and there is a sheltered grill outside.

Bed linen is available at a small extra charge or you may bring your own.

Additionally, the IPA House has a clubroom, a large reception, bar and barbeque. Swimming pool facilities are available nearby.

From October to May an additional cost is charged for the heating.

IPA House Biggesee is ideally situated for walking, water sports, cycling, as well as fishing, and ski slopes are within easy reach.

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Hubert Vitt, 1st Vice President and Editor IPA Germany

LAST WORD

This month, I am really quite proud regarding the contents of the IPA Newsletter, as I feel it shows a good representation of what IPA stands for: Internationality and Friendship.



In the 'Around the World' part of the Newsletter we have articles from 9 IPA sections in 3 IPA languages, covering several continents. The topics range from new presidents introducing themselves to car racing, from a table tennis tournament to the general activities of a section, from national congresses to a shooting competition, from the experience of being hosted abroad to organising a collectors' fair, and last, but not least, we have an IPA member looking for contacts.

The whole breadth of IPA activities displayed on 11 pages!

I would like to thank all those who not only have taken the effort to organise these events, but who have also in addition chosen to write an article about it, thus enabling me to share their activities with the rest of the IPA world.

Thank you – Danke – Merci – Gracias ☺

And keep your articles coming!

Elke

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Please find below a list of IPA events for the next 12 months:

Section	***Date***	***Event***
Moldova	1-6 Jun 2017	Mediterranean Sections Meeting, Chişinau
Estonia	2-4 Jun 2017	Nordic Baltic Meeting
Spain	2-4 Jun 2017	Moto Pirinaic's motorbike event, Pyrenees
Bosnia & H.	3 Jun 2017	IV Football Mini-Tournament, Posušje
Austria	10-17 Jun 2017	Hiking Week, Nassfeld
USA	11-16 Jun 2017	Young Police Officers' Seminar, Green Bay
Czech Rep.	11-17 Jun 2017	Prague Friendship Week
Italy	15-18 Jun 2017	7th IPA Motorcycle Rally, Dolomites
Spain	15-18 Jun 2017	II Champ Intern. Football 7, La Coruña
USA	19-28 Jun 2017	Pacific Northwest Tour
Romania	21-26 Jun 2017	1st Int. Police Women's Mtg 'Danube Delta'
Germany	23-25 Jun 2017	22nd FlyIn, Bonn
Germany	24 Jun 2017	2nd IPA March, Stuttgart
Russia	29 Jun-2 Jul 2017	Northern European Forum, St. Petersburg
Estonia	14-16 Jul 2017	IPA Estonian Summer Days
South Africa	29 Jul-13 Aug 2017	International Youth Gathering
Mauritius	30 Jul-4 Aug 2017	Friendship Week (250 years police Mauritius)
Germany	11-13 Aug 2017	1st Int. Motorcycle Gathering, Hamburg
Germany	18-20 Aug 2017	18th Int. Biker Meeting, Speyer
Poland	24-27 Aug 2017	19th Int. Football Tournament, Poznan
Russia	27 Aug-2 Sep 2017	Moscow Friendship Week
Germany	29 Aug-3 Sep	IPA Motorcycle Tour, Southern Black Forest
France	30 Aug-3 Sep 2017	Rhône / Alpes Motorcycle Meeting
Spain	1-9 Sep 2017	Catalunya Motorcycle Tour
Poland	3 Sep 2017	Int. Open Police Cup Half-Marathon, Piła
Spain	7-10 Sep 2017	IX Champ. Int. 'Ibérico de Fútbol, La Coruña
France	10 Sep 2017	Collectors' Fair, Lyon
Italy	14-17 Sep 2017	4th Trophy Riviera della Palme, 5-a-side football tournament, Grottamare
Netherlands	18-23 Sep 2017	IPA Netherlands Experience, Limburg
Bulgaria	19-24 Sep 2017 24 Sep-1 Oct 2017	62nd IPA World Congress, Albena Friendship Week
USA	1-6 Oct 2017 6-10 Oct 2017	NDC Meeting, Charleston Friendship Tour Charleston and Savannah
Netherlands	9-13 Oct 2017	35th WPIST, Eibergen, Groenlo/Lichtenvoorde
Hong Kong	7-12 Nov 2017	Hong Kong Friendship Week
Spain	2 Dec 2017	17th Int. Trader Show, Barcelona

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:

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Date	***Seminar***	***Language***
09-11 Jun 2017	Motorradkultur und Sicherheit – Training für verantwortungsbewusstes Motorradfahren	G
19-23 Jun 2017	Islamismus – Mit dem rechten Glauben gegen den Rest der Welt	
23-25 Jun 2017	Fortbildung 2017 Funktionäre IPA Deutsche Sektion	G
26-28 Jun 2017	Zeitalter der Populisten	G
26-30 Jun 2017	Interkulturell kompetent in der Zuwanderungsgesellschaft	G
03-07 Jul 2017	Aktiv in den Ruhestand	G
05-07 Jul 2017	Eurasische OK in Deutschland	G
10-14 Jul 2017	Prostitution in Europa / Prostitution in Europe	E and G
01-03 Sep 2017	Motorradkultur un Sicherheit – Training für verantwortungsbewusstes Motorradfahren	G
11-19 Set 2017	Flüchtlinge in Europa und das Schengen Abkommen // Refugiatii în Europa si Acordul Schengen	G and Ro