



# The Coffee Break!

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Welcome to "The Coffee Break", an extended edition of Just One Minute!, intended to give IVV members headlines, important dates and reminders. Please also visit our website for other news and information about our international program of non-competitive sports.

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## Latest News and Information

1. **IVV Congress - Important Location Change:** The venue for the 2016 IVV Congress has been changed to **Rio de Janeiro**. The dates remain the same: Nov 24-27. Consult the [Congress website](#) for preliminary information. The final official program and pre-Congress tourism opportunities will be available soon.
2. IVV/IML: A copy of the new cooperation agreement between the IVV and the IML is available on our website under [News & Information](#) and [Documents and Resources](#). The IVV/IML Record Books are now available through the IVV Office.
3. In January, the members of the Executive Presidium were invited by the 'Schnelle Füße' of Koblenz to visit the city, facilities and walking trails that will be used for the June 2017 Olympiad. The opportunity was also used for an Executive Presidium meeting. [Short Report here](#).
4. In February, Vice-President Fawcett and Secretary Claude were invited by the Chinese Volkssport Association to attend important meetings and functions in Shenyang, Beijing and Nanning. As previously announced, the City of Shenyang has applied to organize the first IVV Winter Olympiad. Interim approval was given, conditional upon following the IVV Rules and Regulations concerning Olympiads, and approval by the Congress in Brazil in November. The proposed date for the event is to be in January of 2017. [Short Report here](#).
5. IVV Olympiad 2019: Applications to apply for the 2019 Olympiad must be received by the IVV Office on or before May 26, 2016.
6. IVV Congress 2020: Belgium has applied to hold the IVV Congress in 2020. Applications will be approved by the Congress in 2018.
7. World Walking Day: Certificates have been distributed to all National and Direct Members. The annual date for this event is May 8, but can be changed according to local need or custom if it will increase participation.
8. New Membership Information: Australia has applied and Romania will apply to change their status from Direct Members to National Associations. Members at the Congress in Brazil will be asked to approve. Also, an expression of interest to join the IVV has been received from a party in Iran.
9. New Walks Information: The following schedules have been posted on the website: (i) [Norwegian Hiking and Biking Games](#) in August, (ii) [Korea's program of walking dates and events](#) for the year, and (iii) the Marbella (Spain) [4Days Walking Experience for 2016](#).
10. New Contact Information: Information for the [Czech Republic](#) has been completely updated and their [Calendar of Events for 2016](#) published on the website.
11. IVV Website: In January 2016, the IVV website welcomed its 100,000th visitor. The top 5 countries for visits are: Germany, USA, Belgium, Canada, Luxembourg. Visits have come from 161 countries round the world.





## 12. IVV Website Updates:

- A. a new address for the [New Zealand Two-Day Walk](#) ;
- B. [Europa Cup Finishers](#);
- C. a new button for the IVV/IML Cup under '[IVV Events & Programs](#)'
- D. [Taiwan World Walking Days Program](#);
- E. [Norwegian Hiking and Biking Games](#);
- F. 2016 Events and Permanent Trails information for [France](#), the [Netherlands](#), [Slovenia](#), [Switzerland](#).

## Important dates and deadlines

1. **2016: Applications to apply for the 2019 Olympiad must be received by the IVV Office on or before May 26, 2016.**
2. **2016:** The third Europiad will take place in [Kitzbühel, Austria](#) from May 26-28, 2016. Precise information is available in this [document](#).
3. **2016:** IVV-Asia announces that the 3rd Asiapiad will be hosted in [Taipei, Taiwan](#) by the [Chinese Taipei Alpine Association](#) on Nov 12 and 13, 2016. It will be a joint walking event with the IML. An IVV-Asia Congress will be held on Nov. 11.
4. **2017:** The IVV Congress in Hamburg approved the application from the DVV and its member club "[Schnelle Füße](#)" to hold the 15th IVV Olympiad in [Koblenz, Germany](#). Dates: June 06-10, 2017. [FaceBook page](#)
5. **2018:** The fourth Asiapiad will be held in [Jogjakarta, Indonesia](#). Dates have not yet been announced.

