

## Meeting Minutes

### MEETING IVV PRESIDIUUM IN IRREL (Germany)

8th September, 2012

Present : Giuseppe COLANTONIO, Graham FAWCETT, Walter MOTZ, Raymond CLAUDE

#### 1. Welcome of IVV President Giuseppe Colantonio

He congratulates Gerard WOHL, Uwe Kneibert and Raymond CLAUDE on the excellent organization of the first Europiade in Echternach/Irrel. It's a proof that the foundation of the Continental Confederations was an important step to advance the IVV. The second Europiade takes place in Marostica (Italien) 2014 and will also be a great success.

Giuseppe Colantonio thanks Graham Fawcett for the successful development of the new World Report and for his successful effort in founding IVV-AMERICAS. He also thanks Tanja Müller who has developed the new IVV Flyer.

#### 2. Statement of IVV Presidiums reg. organization and coordination of IVV Confederations (see enclosure)

The statement document of the IVV Presidiums was prepared and presented by Raymond Claude. There were the following remarks :

- IVV promotion worldwide must remain one of the main tasks of the IVV Presidium on their own initiative or on request of a Continental Association in cooperation with them. After presenting an IVV promotion project of a certain country, travel costs can be paid by the IVV Presidium, according to the financial means. Tourism organizations and other international organizations are to be contacted. One of the first activities will be to send an IVV introduction mail to TAFISA to have it distributed to their about 150 national and international member countries including a questionnaire, if they were interested in a cooperation. This will be done as soon as the new IVV Website has been finished.
- The rules of the cooperation between IVV Presidium and Continental Confederation must be defined more clearly to better meet statutes and IVV interests. This will be done in the next meeting of the Executive IVV Presidium and then forwarded to the United Presidium for their opinion. Normally, the IVV United Presidium meets once a year.

The IVV Presidium decides to send the document of the IVV Presidium statement to the member counties by e-mail.

#### 3. Communication

Changes in the area of communications continue to be very well received, as shown by the responses given in the World Report reader surveys. Each issue of the World Report takes about five to six weeks to prepare. The experiment to distribute the World Report by sharing a web link worked for some, but not for others. We will continue to look for other solutions. The Just One Minute! brief newsletter has also been well received. Work on revising the IVV web site is nearly complete, and we expect to have it ready by the Congress in China. Next year, a discussion forum will be added. An IVV FaceBook page will also be available soon. I must thank our Executive Secretary, Tanja Müller, for all her assistance in translating texts from English to German, and vice-versa.

#### **4. Finances:**

Walter Motz hands over the account statement, call date 1st Sept. 2012. It states lower assets which is normal as most of the earnings are received in the first half of the year. Most of the flights to China have been paid yet. On 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2012 the asset was lower by about 30.000 €. Obviously, some member countries have financial problems. There are still a lot of unpaid member fees. Walter Motz states that there is no right to vote in China if the member fee has not been paid. With the help of Tanja Müller open invoices are reminded. IVV Asia and the Turkish association have received a contract with the aim of financial support (limited credit). The contract hasn't been signed yet by the two organizations.

The IVV has currently accounts at the Postbank and Sparda Bank in Hamburg. The account at the Sparda Bank in Hamburg is hardly used and as of late demands account fees. Walter Motz suggests to cancel the account at the Sparda Bank Hamburg. The Executive Presidium agrees.

It is agreed to waive the daily allowance. Instead of that, accommodation costs for partners will be paid by the IVV.

#### **5. IVV Congress in China**

##### Arrival at IVV Congress in China:

Monday, 15th October: Giuseppe Colantonio,

Tuesday, 16th October: Graham Fawcett, Walter Motz, Raymond Claude

##### Departure:

Monday, 22nd October: all four Executive Presidium members

##### Leadership IVV Congress:

Giuseppe Colantonio will hold the welcoming speech, Graham Fawcett will lead the introduction and discussion of the general items of the agenda and Uwe Kneibert will lead all items regarding elections and submitted motions.

Raymond Claude

Secretary