



## MEETING MINUTES of IVV UNITED PRESIDIUM MEETING

**Koblenz, June 6, 2017, 10 am**

**Present:** Giuseppe COLANTOINIO, Graham FAWCETT, Walter MOTZ, Raymond CLAUDE, Uwe KNEIBERT, Mitsumasa MIYASHITA, Flávio FERREIRA, Tanja MÜLLER

### 1. Welcome and Introduction

Giuseppe Colantonio welcomed all present United Presidium Members, especially Flávio Ferreira who attended the United Presidium Meeting for the first time. He wished the IVV Olympiad in Koblenz great success and assured the support of the IVV.

### 2. Finance Report

Walter Motz made a short financial report. He will prepare a short written report for all Presidium members.

### 3. Communication

Graham Fawcett reported about his last very interesting trip to China. China uses Volkssport for the development of their tourism. The Vice President will publish a short report about the trip on the Website.

Raymond Claude suggested publishing a new brochure to introduce the IVV and its activities to be used at official visits. An online brochure is also to be prepared; the paper version and online version should be complementary. The IVV could also be promoted in a neutral walking magazine.

Uwe Kneibert suggested establishing standards for IVV walks, e.g. family-friendly, easy to walk, year-round walk etc. However, the standards should not be too high.

The new IVV Website was nearly finished and will go online soon. Much feedback was received from the associations. The countries will be asked to give their feedback every two months to keep the website up to date.

The new „Coffee Break“ will be published in July.

### 4. IVV-Europe Report

Uwe Kneibert explained that the unavailability of the chairman of „Schnelle Füße Koblenz“ led to big problems in regard to the organization of the IVV Olympiad.

IVV-Europe has sent their invitations after the Congress in Brazil for the IVV-Europe Congress in Denmark together with the announcement for the Congress 2019 and the 2020Europiad. Up to now, no applications have been received.

IVV-Europe will introduce its new website in Koblenz, it will go online within the next few days.

#### 5. IVV-Asia Report

Mitsumasa Miyashita reported about the IVV-Asia Congress in Taipei that was attended by the IVV President and IVV Vice President. Mr. Fujimoto was appointed to be the contact person for the south- east Asian countries. The 2018Asiapiad will take place in Jogjakarta in Indonesia. The direct member club Ginseng of Vladivostok that is located at the border to southeast Asia can affiliate with IVV Asia, given that it is a direct IVV member. This membership was confirmed after the Congress.

#### 6. IVV-Americas Report

Flávio Ferreira had already introduced himself during the meeting in Brazil in November 2016 where he presented his priorities. In the subsequent months, IVV-Americas has tried to find new promotion possibilities.

Before introducing the activities in Brazil and South America, he wants to indicate the big problems in Brazil, in politics and social matters. Therefore, the current model cannot be used in all Latin-American countries.

Advertising opportunities on the internet and facebook were planned, at the moment financial means are missing, so these should be received through sponsorships. In the Ecobooking System currently 150,000 walkers are registered. The goal is to have 500,000 walkers before the end of 2017.

#### 7. 50th IVV Anniversary and IVV Congress 2018 in Sicily

Giuseppe Colantonio asked for suggestions and ideas for the „Sicilian week“ at the Congress of Delegates, 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and 4<sup>th</sup> Europiad. He introduced the temporary program.

The countries were asked to send photos for the exhibition. The brochure will be made in four languages, looking for sponsorship is planned.

Giuseppe Colantonio was authorized by the FIASP, accepted by Alberto Guidi, to coordinate the organization of the „Sicilian week“.

#### 8. Survey for IVV-Member Associations

The survey is to be presented at the next Congress in Sicily and discussed in a working group in the afternoon.

The countries were reminded that answering the survey is obligatory. Deadline is the end of 2017.

## 9. IML/IVV Event 2018

Besides the IVV Europiad and the IVV Asiapiad, the following event was chosen for the IML/IVV Event 2018:

- IVV-Luxembourg offering a 24-hour walk in Luxembourg-Kirchberg on August 31 and September 01, 2018.

## 10. Discussion about IVV promotion in different countries of the Continental Confederations

This item was postponed.

## 11. Miscellaneous

There was a problem with the flags of China and Taiwan. In Koblenz, there will be no flag from Taiwan, but as at the official Olympic Games, only a neutral plate. At the Olympic Games, Taiwan walks under the Olympiad flag. As this is copyrighted, it is not possible at the IVV Olympiad.

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