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The FIP Board of Directors at the lobby of Hotel Leon D'oro, Verona on 24 November, 2019, before the 129th FIP Board meeting.

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#### **Editorial**

We are expecting a busy 2020 with three FIP Patronage World Stamp Exhibitions, LONDON 2020 in May, INDONESIA 2020 in August and BULGARIA 2020 in September. For the 76th FIP Congress in Indonesia, there will be the election of FIP Vice-Presidents and Directors from America and Europe, as well as the election of the FIP Philatelic Commissions Bureaux. Interested candidates should inform your respective member federations to send in the nomination forms to the FIP Secretariat and copy the respective Commission Secretaries before the deadline (February 10, 2020).

The next Jury Academy will be in London, United Kingdom from 28-30 April, 2020. Jurors who are interested in this training please write in to FIP Secretariat to check for final vacancies.

In this issue, you will find the President's message; highlights of the FIP Board meetings in Buenos Aires, Argentina and Verona, Italy (the issues that were presented to the Board for discussion and / or approval were summarized for your pleasure reading); the report of the Associate Members – the FEPA Congress in Monaco, and FIAP Congress in Singapore; the Jury Academy in Toronto, Canada held in October; the report on FIP Recognition Exhibition SINGPEX 2019 and the FIP Sponsorship Exhibitions HUNFILA 2019 and Buenos Aires 2019.

Please take note in your calendar of the LONDON 2020 Specialized World Stamp Exhibition in London, United Kingdom, May 2-9, 2020. We believe that you will enjoy the great exhibits shown there.

We appreciate your comments, suggestions and advice on how to make FLASH more interesting.

Enjoy reading.

The Editors.

#### **Editorial**

Esperamos un año 2020 ocupado con tres exposiciones mundiales con Patrocinio FIP, LONDRES 2020 en mayo, IINDONESIA 2020 en agosto y BULGARIA 2020 en septiembre. Durante el 76º Congreso FIP a celebrarse en Indonesia habrán elecciones de los Vicepresidentes y Directores de América y Europa, así como la elección de los Buró de las Comisiones Filatélicas FIP. Los interesados deben avisar a sus respectivas federaciones para enviar los formularios de nominación a la Secretaría FIP y copiar a los respectivos Secretarios de Comisión antes de la fecha límite (10 de febrero 2020).

La próxima Academia de Jurados se realizará en Londres, Reino Unido, del 28 al 30 de abril de 2020. Los Jurados interesados en esta capacitación deben inscribirse ante la Secretaría FIP a fin de verificar los espacios disponibles.

En este número encontrarán el Mensaje del Presidente; aspectos destacados de las reuniones del Board FIP en Buenos Aires, Argentina, y en Verona, Italia (los temas que se presentaron al Board para su discusión y/o aprobación se han resumido para su lectura); el informe de los Miembros Asociados: el Congreso FEPA en Mónaco, y el Congreso FIAP en Singapur; la Academia de Jurados celebrada en octubre en Toronto, Canadá; el informe sobre la Exposición con Reconocimiento FIP SINGPEX 2019 y de las Exposiciones con Auspicio FIP HUNFILA 2019 y BUENOS AIRES 2019.

Tomen nota en su calendario de la Exposición Mundial Especializada LONDRES 2020 en Londres, Reino Unido, del 2 al 9 de mayo 2020. Estamos seguros que disfrutarán de las grandes participaciones que se mostrarán allí.

Agradecemos sus comentarios, sugerencias y consejos sobre cómo hacer que Flash sea mas interesante.

Disfruten su lectura.

Los Editores.

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I am penning this message at the commencement of the Anniversary of the Birthday of Jesus Christ - the season commonly referred to as Christmas. It has become the Season of giving or generosity to others. It is also a time of considerable reflection.

A time to consider what we have achieved in the past year; and our resolve to improve on the successes or failures of 2019, in the coming year of 2020.

In our Jury Courses we discuss if a Juror is a Leader or a Follower. What have you been this past year? Have you been a Giver or a Taker? Have you given of yourself and ideas for the betterment of philately! Or have you just followed everyone else and taken what you can for yourself; sought only to be restrictive? Or have you been inclusive of your fellow collector, and sought to broaden this great Hobby. Now is the time to ponder these questions. So, what have we achieved in the past 12 months?

#### Communication:

Directors Aldo Samame y Samame and Prakob Chirakiti were appointed to improve the communication links with the Website and the Flash Journal. We value your contributions and ask that you send us your thoughts on how we are doing in this area. Our next step must be to create informative Videos and information for our members in a Digital age. Reinaldo Macedo will be looking for Video Seminars and Lectures to place onto the Website as we progress into 2020. In London 2020 there shall be experimental Electronic Literature entries which I trust will become a permanent feature of all future FIP exhibitions. I thank the late Gary Brown, Frank Walton and Charles Verge for their assistance in this endeavour.

#### **Exhibitions:**

There was only one FIP exhibition in 2019, China. It was most likely the last of the BIG Exhibitions. Successful, but unlikely to ever be repeated due to the sheer size and cost. It was the first Exhibition to include Exhibits from the new experimental Class of Picture Post Cards. I do hope that in the 76th Congress in Jakarta you will approve a Picture Post Card Commission. In 2020 we have three FIP Exhibitions. London will be upon us very soon. I and many others would have preferred that the Venue had included sufficient space for the Exhibits to be erected only once and not twice. However the role of the FIP is to facilitate and advise, not to organise. I wish the Organising Committee every success; and all collectors a happy social event.

#### **Sponsored Exhibitions:**

This new innovation where FIP provides financial support for Regional Exhibitions has proved very popular. In 2019 there were such successful Exhibitions in Argentina, Slovenia and Hungary. In 2020 there will be sponsored Exhibitions in Italy, Ecuador, St. Pierre & Miquelon and Bangladesh.

#### Celebrations

We witnessed many Anniversaries throughout the Globe. Royal Philatelic Society of London (150), Korean Philatelic Society (70), São Paulo Philatelic Society – SPP (100) and the Italian Philatelic Federation (100). A sure indication of the health of our Hobby.

#### Connecting with our members:

The Board met in Russia, China, Argentina and Italy. This continues a positive Policy of meeting accross the globe, and not just in one geographic location. Additionally this gives both exhibitors and collectors the opportunity to meet with the FIP and share their ideas and concerns. New ideas are always welcome. If

we don't grow, we die!

#### **Jury Training:**

There were three successfully completed courses in 2019. These were in Slovenia, China and Canada. A further one or two courses are planned for London in April 2020. The Board is now debating the creation of an Apprentice Jury College commencing in 2020. If this proposal is approved it will mean that from 2021 all FIP Apprentices will be required to attend such a course prior to being apprenticed to a FIP Jury. This endeavour ought not to imply that it will replace



Bernard Beston FIP President

members' own National Jury courses. These are essential in any Federation and must continue.

#### **Exhibition Frames:**

I have been concerned for some time that the lack of Frames in many countries is holding back the promotion of the Hobby; and thereby denying the opportunity for collectors to exhibit; and for national Jurors to practice their skills regularly. I currently have before the Board a proposal where the FIP will subsidise such frame purchases matching \$ for \$ for our members for purchases up to 100 Frames (200 sides). I am hopeful that this concept will find Board approval.

#### **Associate Membership:**

I was able to meet with the representatives of the Universal Postal Union and share our thoughts for mutual co-operation. Twice now I have delivered seminars to Postal Administrations to bridge the gap between the Hobby and the Postal Operators. In addition, I attended the Annual General Meeting of IFSDA, the first time in over 10 years that a FIP President has attended. The Smithsonian National Postal Museum will sponsor a meeting of Directors of Philatelic, Postal History and Communications Museum in London this coming May 2020, during London 2020 Exhibition. This organisation and other likeminded Bodies seek to partner with the FIP for the betterment of Philately.

#### 76th FIP Congress:

The next Congress will take place in Jakarta Indonesia following the Indonesian World Stamp Exhibition, on 11 August 2020. We are honoured that both the Exhibition and the Congress will be in such a prestigious location - The Indonesian Parliament Building. Thank you Dr. Fadli Zon, the Vice Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Indonesia - and Chairman of the Organising Committee.

May I take this opportunity to wish you a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Bernard Beston, FAP, FRPSV, FRPSL FIP President Estoy escribiendo este mensaje iniciando la conmemoración del Nacimiento de Jesucristo, la temporada comúnmente conocida como Navidad. Esta se ha convertido en una temporada de dar, o de generosidad a los demás. También es un tiempo de considerable reflexión.

Un tiempo para considerar lo que hemos logrado el pasado año; y nuestra determinación de mejorar con los éxitos o de los fracasos del 2019, para el próximo año 2020.

En nuestros cursos de Jurados discutimos si un miembro del Jurado es un líder o un seguidor. Qué has sido el año pasado? Has sido donante o tomador? ¡Has dado de ti mismo e ideas para mejorar la filatelia! ¿O terminas siguiendo a todos los demás y tomas lo que puedes para ti; busco sólo ser restrictivo? ¿O ha sido inclusivo con su amigo coleccionista y ha tratado de expandir este gran hobby? Ahora es el momento de reflexionar sobre estas preguntas. Entonces, ¿qué hemos logrado en los últimos 12 meses?

#### **Comunicaciones:**

Los Directores Aldo Samamé y Samamé y Prakob Chirakiti fueron nombrados para mejorar los enlaces de comunicación con el Website y la Revista Flash. Valoramos sus contribuciones y les pedimos que nos envíen sus opiniones sobre cómo nos va en esta área. Nuestro siguiente paso debe ser crear vídeos informativos e información para nuestros miembros en una Era Digital. Reinaldo Macedo estará en la busca de video seminarios y conferencias para colocar en el Website a medida que avanzamos en el año 2020. En London 2020 habrán participaciones experimentales de Literatura Electrónica y confío que se convertirán en algo permanente en las futuras exposiciones FIP. Agradezco al fallecido Gary Brown, Frank Walton y Charles Verge por su ayuda en este esfuerzo.

#### **Exposiciones:**

Hubo sólo una exposición FIP en el 2019, China. Probablemente fue la última de las GRANDES exposiciones. Exitosa, pero poco probable que se repita debido al tamaño y costo. Fue la primera Exposición en incluir participaciones de la nueva Clase Experimental de Tarjetas Postales. Espero que en el 76º Congreso en Jakarta se apruebe la Comisión de Tarjetas Postales. En el 2020 tendremos tres exposiciones FIP. Londres pronto estará con nosotros. Yo y muchos otros hubiéramos preferido que el lugar hubiera incluido suficiente espacio para que las participaciones se montaran en una sola vez y no en dos. Sin embargo, el papel de la FIP es facilitar y asesorar, no organizar. Le deseo mucho éxito al Comité Organizador; y a todos los coleccionistas una feliz evento social

#### **Exposiciones con Auspicios:**

Esta nueva innovación donde la FIP brinda apoyo financiero a las exposiciones regionales ha demostrado ser muy popular. En el 2019 hubieron exposiciones en Argentina, Eslovenia y Hungría. En el 2020 habrán exposiciones auspiciadas en Italia, Ecuador, San Pedro y Miquelón y Bangladesh.

#### Celebraciones:

Fuimos testigos de varios aniversarios en todo el mundo. Real Sociedad Filatélica de Londres (150), Sociedad Filatélica Coreana (70), Sociedad Paulista de Philatelia – SPP (100) y la Federación Filatélica Italiana (100). Una segura señal de la salud de nuestro hobby.

#### Conectando con nuestros miembros:

La Junta FIP se reunió en Rusia, China, Argentina e Italia. Esto continúa la positiva política de reunirse en todo el mundo, y no sólo en una ubicación geográfica. Además, brinda a los expositores y coleccionistas la oportunidad de reunirse con la FIP y compartir sus ideas y preocupaciones. Nuevas ideas son siempre bienvenidas.

¿Si no crecemos, morimos! Entrenamiento de Jurados:

Hubieron tres cursos completados con éxito en el 2019. Estos fueron en Eslovenia, China y Canadá. Se planean uno o dos cursos para Londres en abril del año 2020. Ahora la Juna FIP está debatiendo la creación de un Colegio de Jurados Aprendices que comenzaría en el 2020. Si se aprueba esta propuesta significará que a partir del año 2021 todos los aprendices de Jurado FIP deberán asistir a dicho curso antes de ser aprendices de Jurado en una exposición FIP. Este esfuerzo no implica que



Bernard Beston Presidente FIP

reemplazará los entrenamientos a los Jurados Nacionales. Estos son esenciales en cualquier Federación y deben continuar.

#### Marcos de Exposición:

Desde hace tiempo me preocupa que la falta de marcos de exposición en muchos países esté frenando la promoción de nuestro hobby; y negando así la oportunidad para que los coleccionistas puedan exhibir; y para que los jurados nacionales practiquen sus habilidades regularmente. Actualmente tengo ante la Junta una propuesta en la que la FIP subvencione dichas compras de marcos igualando \$ por \$ para nuestros miembros para compra de hasta 100 marcos (200 caras). Espero que este concepto encuentre la aprobación de la Junta.

#### **Miembros Asociados:**

Pude reunirme con los representantes de la Unión Postal Universal y compartir nuestros pensamientos para una mutual cooperación. En dos ocasiones he impartido seminarios a las Administraciones Postales para cerrar la brecha entre el hobby y los operadores postales. Además asistí a la Asamblea General Anual de IFSDA, la primera vez en más de 10 años que un Presidente FIP asiste. El Museo Nacional Postal del Smithsonian patrocinará una reunión de Directores de los Museos Filatélico, de Historia Postal y Comunicaciones en Londres el próximo mes de mayo de 2020, durante la exposición Londres 2020. Esta organización y otros organismos de ideas afines buscan asociarse con la FIP para mejorar la filatelia.

#### 76° Congreso FIP:

El próximo Congreso FIP tendrá lugar en Jakarta, Indonesia, después de la Exposición Mundial de Indonesia, el 11 de Agosto de 2020. Nos sentimos honrados de que tanto la Exposición como el Congreso se encuentren en un lugar tan prestigioso: el Edificio del Parlamento de Indonesia. Gracias Dr. Fadli Zon, Vicepresidente de la Cámara de Representantes de la República de Indonesia y Presidente del Comité Organizador.

Aprovecho esta oportunidad para desearles un muy Feliz y Próspero Año Nuevo.

Bernard Beston, FAP, FRPSV, FRPSL Presidente FIP

### Number of qualifying exhibits for Commissioners 2020

Country	Category	General	Speciali.
Albania	A	3	3
Argentina	С	7	4
Armenia	A	3	3
Australia	F	18	10
Austria	С	7	4
Bahrain	A	3	3
Bangladesh	A	3	3
Belarus	A	3	3
Belgium	С	7	4
Bolivia	A	3	3
Brazil	В	6	4
Brunei	A	3	3
Bulgaria	A	3	3
Canada	С	7	4
Chile	A	3	3
China	F	18	10
Chinese Taipei	D	10	6
Colombia	C	7	4
Congo	A	3	3
Costa Rica	В	6	4
Croatia		3	3
Cuba	A A	3	3
Cyprus	A	3	3
Czech Rep.	A C	7	4
Denmark	C	7	4
Ecuador	A	3	3
Egypt	В	6	4
Estonia	A	3	3
Finland	C	7	4
France	D	10	6
Georgia	A	3	3
Germany	E	12	7
Greece	В	6	4
Guatemala	A	3	
Honduras	A	3	3
Hong Kong	D	10	6
Hungary	В	6	4
Iceland	A	3	3
India	C	7	4
Indonesia	C	7	4
Iran	A	3	3
Iraq		3	3
Ireland	A	3	3
Israel	A C	7	4
	C	7	4
Italy	E	12	7
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Korea (Rep.)	C	7	4
Kuwait	A	3	3
Latvia	A	3	3
Liechtenstein	A	3	3
Lithuania	A	3	3
Luxembourg	A	3	3
Macau	A	3	3

Country	Category	General	Speciali.
Macedonia	A	3	3
Malaysia	В	6	4
Malta	A	3	3
Mexico	A	3	3
Moldova	A	3	3
Monaco	A	3	3
Mongolia	A	3	3
Montenegro	A	3	3
Nepal	A	3	3
Netherlands	С	7	4
New Zealand	В	6	4
Nigeria	A	3	3
Norway	C	7	4
Oman	A	3	3
Pakistan	C	7	4
Paraguay	A	3	3
Peru	A	3	3
Philippines	A	3	3
Poland	В	6	4
Portugal	A	3	3
Qatar	A	3	3
Romania	В	6	4
RPD Korea	A	3	3
Russia	C	7	4
Saudi Arabia	A	3	3
Serbia	В	6	4
Singapore	В	6	4
Slovakia	A	3	3
Slovenia	A	3	3
South Africa	C	7	4
Spain	D	10	6
Sri Lanka	A	3	3
Sweden	D	10	6
Switzerland	C	7	4
Thailand	C	7	4
Turkey	В	6	4
UAE	В	6	4
Ukraine	A	3	3
United Kingdom	F	18	10
Uruguay	A	3	3
USA	F	18	10
Venezuela	A	3	3
Vietnam	A	3	3
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Category	General	SpecialI.
A	3	3
В	6	4
С	7	4
D	10	6
E	12	7
F	18	10

1/3 Youth exhibits allowed
3 One-Frame exhibits = 1 normal exhibit

<sup>&</sup>quot;General" means the number of exhibits you have to bring to a General World Exhibition to get commissioner's privileges.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Speciali." means the number of exhibits you have to bring to a Specialised Exhibition to get commissioner's privileges.

### FIP Board Visit to FIP Sponsorship Exhibition. BUENOS AIRES 2019 - Exposición Internacional de Filatelia

The FIP Board members visited Buenos Aires, Argentina, in conjunction with Buenos Aires 2019 – Exposición Internacional de Filatelia, organised by Federación Argentina de Entitades Filatelicas (FAEF) and held under the Patronage of FIAF and FIP Sponsorship, which took take place from 26 – 31 August, 2019, at the Centro Cultural Borges. Being the most important exhibition that has taken place in the city since 1998, it was participated by 18 American countries as well as Spain.



Exhibit frames. (Photo courtesy of Carlos Vergara.)



Mr Juan Pablo Aguilar working hard before the opening of the exhibition.



Visitors to the exhibition (Photo courtesy of Carlos Vergara.)

The official opening held on 26 August 2019 was attended by all members of the FIP Board. Speeches from Mr Miguel Casielles, FAEF President; Mr Luis Claudio Fritzen, FIAF President and Mr Bernard Beston, FIP President, were made, followed by the cancellation of stamped covers with the special commemorative "Tango" stamps issued by Correo Argentino.



FAEF President Casielles officiating the Opening Ceremony of the exhibition together with the launch of Tango stamps.
(Photo courtesy of Carlos Vergara)



FIP President Beston with FIAF President Fritzen and FAEF President Casielles at the ribboncutting ceremony. (Photo courtesy of Carlos Vergara)

On the morning of 29 August 2019, the FIP Board members, as well as the jurors and commissioners of the exhibitions, went on an excursion to experience traditional Argentinian culture. In the evening, the FIAF member federations were invited to the meeting with the FIP Board of Directors, followed by a cocktail reception hosted by FIP, at the Claridge Hotel.



Meeting with the Presidents and Secretaries of FIAF member federations with the FIP Board of Directors.

On the morning of 30 August, the FIAF Congress was held at Centro Cultural Borges and the FIP Board members attended the opening session. The Palmares dinner was held on that same evening, which the FIP Board of Directors were also invited to attend.



FIP Cocktail Reception on 29 August, 2019 at the Claridge hotel.

On the morning of 30 August, the FIAF Congress was held at Centro Cultural Borges and the FIP Board members attended the opening session.



FIAF Board members on stage at the FIAF Congress held in Buenos Aires, Argentina on 30 August, 2019. F.l.: Mr Casielles, Mr Lorenzo, Mr Novoa, FIAF President Fritzen, Mr Kouril, Mr Junge and Mr Molina Chinchilla. (Photo courtesy of Carlos Vergara.)

The Palmares dinner was held on that same evening, which the FIP Board of Directors were also invited to attend.



f.l. FAEF President Casielles, Mr Christian Gabriel Perez, Colombian commissioner Mr. Manuel Arango who received the Grand Prix d'Honneur prize for Mr. James Johnson and FIP President Beston. (Photo courtesy of Carlos Vergara)

The FIP Board of Directors would like to congratulate the Federación Argentina de Entitades Filatelicas for organising such a successful exhibition and to also thank the Federation and President Casielles for their kind hospitality.

## Highlights of the 128th FIP Board of Directors Meeting in Buenos Aires, on 28 August, 2019

#### **JURY MATTERS**

It was agreed by the Board that the Jury Honorary President, as he is always present in the Jury Room as part of the Presidium, to be responsible for the submission of the report to the Jury members and to the FIP Board at the end of every exhibition. No point changes can be made to any exhibit unless the team leader has counter signed on the Change/Anomaly form again.

The Jury Honorary President and Jury Secretary have to ensure that the Commissioner General and Assistant Jury Secretary pass the hard copies of the breakdown scores to the Commissioner General to be given to the National Commissioners.

#### **EXHIBITIONS**

#### **ELECTRONIC LITERATURE**

The Board agreed that FEPA regulations would be used for the judging of Electronic Literature as experimental class, in the event that the Literature Philatelic Commission guidelines was not ready, for LONDON 2020, CAPE TOWN 2021 and IBRA 2021.

#### **TAIPEI 2020**

The Board approved the FIP Recognition granted to TAIPEI 2020 and agreed that Director Tan would be the FIP Liaison officer, as requested by TAIPEI 2020, concurrently as FIAP Coordinator.

#### FIP SPONSORSHIP - REGIONAL EXHIBITION

The Board approved the FIP Sponsorship of 5,000 USD for ALPE ADRIA TARVISIO 2020 as applied for by the Federazione fra le Società Filateliche Italiane.

#### **SEMINARS**

The Board members agreed that Vice-President Macedo to be in-charge of his proposal on the feasibility of recording the FIP Seminars and to make them available on the FIP website.

#### **COMMISSIONS**

#### HARMONISING OF COMMISSIONS' GUIDELINES

The Board approved the new guidelines as submitted by the Traditional, Thematic, Aerophilately and Maximaphily, subject to ratification in the 76th FIP Congress. The Commissions Bureaux will be advised by FIP President with the assistance of the Secretary General of the correct procedures to be followed in the future. The Revenue, Astrophilately, Postal History and Youth Commission would be advised by the respective Board of Directors to hold a Commission meeting at LONDON 2020. The President will also raise with the Commissions Bureaux of the problem of delegates with multiple proxies attending different Commissions meetings that might happen at the same time.

#### **76TH FIP CONGRESS**

The Board agreed that the Secretary General should send the First letter of the Congress to Member Federations, by mid October 2019 and a copy of the Convocation letter via registered mail before 16 April 2020 to reach the Member Federations by 10 May 2020. Attachments of the Congress documents and minutes of the 75th FIP Congress could be sent by Wetransfer for ease of downloading by members.

#### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Board meeting would be held in Verona, Italy, on 24 November 2019.

### FIP Board Visit to Veronafil 2019, Verona, Italy. 20-25 November 2019

The 133th Veronafil 2019 International Stamp Fair, a bi-annual event organized by Verona's Associazione Filatelica Numismatica Scaligera and European Championship for Thematic Philately (ECTP) were held from 22-24 November 2019. The FIP Board of Directors attended the exhibition, in conjunction with the 129th FIP Board meeting held in Verona.



FIP Board of Directors looking at the thematic exhibits.

ECTP 2019 was a philatelic exhibition opened to European exhibitors of thematic philately from member federations of FEPA (European Federation of Philatelic Associations). It was the 9th edition of the Championship, whereby all the previous exhibitions were held in Essen (Germany), with one exception held in Paris.



f.l. FIP Director Samamé with jurors FIP Vice-President Jimenez and FEPA immediate Past President Mr Moreno.





Huge crowd attending Veronafil 2019 daily.

On 23 November 2019, a FIP Seminar of Thematic Philately was held by Prof Peter Suhadolc in the exhibition hall. That evening, the Palmares dinner was held at Hotel Leon D'Oro. Jurors were invited on stage to declare real-time, each of their ranking for the best exhibit of each of the 9 catagories. The exhibit that obtained the highest total scores was the overall Champion of ECTP 2019. It was awarded to Francisco Piniella from Spain, for his exhibit "The Conquest of the Horizon" under the History & Organisations category. The 100th anniversary of the Italian Philatelic Federation – FSFI, was also celebrated.



FIP President Beston presented a congratulatory plaque from FIP to President Macrelli of FSFI in celebration of the Federation's 100th Anniversary



ECTP Champion Francisco Piniella receiving his award from Mr Moreno.

An appreciation dinner was held by FIP for the members of the Italian Federation on the evening of 24 November, 2019, at the I Maffei restaurant.

## Highlights of the 129th FIP Board of Directors Meeting in Verona, on 24 November, 2019

#### COMMISSIONS

#### HARMONISING OF COMMISSIONS' GUIDELINES

The Secretary General received the new Literature guidelines and would inform the Commission that they should first have it approved in an upcoming Commission's meeting in LONDON 2020 if possible, before the FIP Board could approve it in 2020. The Board approved only the new SREVs (2.2 c) for e-publications to be implemented on experimental basis with the approval of FIP Consultant Vice-President Jimenez for LONDON 2020.

#### TRADITIONAL COMMISSION

The Board acknowledged that Patricia Walker is now the Acting Chairman of the Traditional Philately Commission and the Bureau recommended Lars Jorgensen to serve as the Secretary until the 76th FIP Congress.

#### **EXHIBITIONS**

#### BULGARIA 2020

The Board approved that Director Nathaniel to be the FIP Consultant for BULGARIA 2020 Specialised World Stamp Championship Exhibition.

#### **CAPEX 2022**

The FIP Board would need a letter from the Canadian Federation to request for FIP Recognition for CAPEX 2022 as a one-frame exhibition which the Board had appointed Vice-President Macedo as the FIP Liaison officer.

#### FIP SPONSORSHIP - REGIONAL EXHIBITIONS

The Board agreed that the FIP Sponsorship program shall be extended for two more years 2020-2021, with a maximum sponsorship amount of 20,000 USD per annum. The Board approved 5,000 USD sponsorship for SPM EXPO 2020 to be organised by Club Philatelique SPM (CPSPM), as endorsed by the French Federation - Fédération Française des Ass. Philatéliques; and 5,000 USD to Guayaquil – Ecuador exhibition to be held by the Asociacion Filatelica Ecuatoriana.

#### **JURY MATTERS**

The Board approved the revised International Jury Team for LONDON 2020 on 24 November 2019 proposed by Vice-President Mr Jimenez.

#### **JURY ACADEMY 2020 LONDON**

The Board agreed to President Beston's recommendation to have a second class, Class #9, to be held concurrently with Class #8, for the London Jury Academy, subjected to a minimum of 14 registered participants for this second class, by end of December 2019, as Class #8 of 15 pax was now full and confirmed. This minimum requirement for Class #9 shall be conveyed to the 16th juror onwards who registered for the course and tentatively placed on waiting list.

#### PICTURE POSTCARD JUROR CRITERIA

The Board approved President Beston's proposal that the Secretary General send out his proposal on the Picture Postcard juror criteria to all member federations for i) their comments and ii) to write in to nominate Jurors for Picture Postcards at the same time. The FIP Board had to appoint Picture Postcard jurors who were existing FIP jurors in one of the philatelic classes.

#### **76TH FIP CONGRESS**

The first letter and nomination forms had been emailed and mailed to member federations before 15 October 2019. All nominations are to reach the FIP Secretariat by mail by 10 February, 2020.

#### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Board meeting would be held in NZ 2020 on two afternoons from 1- 6pm on 21 and 22 March, 2020. The non-judging Board members and Secretary General would arrive 18 - 23 March, 2020 for 5 nights covered by FIP.



## SELECTION OF PICTURE POSTCARD JURORS AT FUTURE FIP WORLD STAMP EXHIBITIONS – by FIP President Bernard Beston

As there were no FIP or Continental Federation accredited judges of Picture Postcards, the Organising Committee of FINLANDIA 2017 appointed two Nationally accredited Picture Postcard Jurors.

The issue of how such jurors became accredited and recognised needs to be considered and addressed before the Class is recognized, even as an Experimental Class. It would appear that there needs to be a selected number, chosen and initially appointed under what is commonly referred to as the "grandfather clause". Future appointments beyond this initial group could be chosen based upon standard criteria for all classes, with new Jurors being required to complete their usual apprenticeship and pass as Jurors.

The following are some suggested essential and desirable characteristics upon which such appointments could be considered.

#### **Essential Criteria:**

- i) An accredited National Picture Postcard Juror with 5 years experience.
- ii) Currently exhibiting in the Class and have obtained at least a Vermeil National Level medal in the last five (5) years.
- iii) Judged at least three (3) times Nationally in the last 10 years.
- iv) Judged in at least one National, Regional, Bi-lateral, or Continental Federation exhibition in a country other than his country of residence.
- v) Presented or co-presented a seminar; or published a Paper, on exhibiting or judging Picture Postcards.

#### **Desirable Characteristics:**

- Contributed towards the training of jurors in the Class at a Nationally held course.
- Authored or co-authored a book or substantial article on Picture Postcards.
- Contributed to the creation and/or refinement of exhibiting rules on the Class in their own country.
- Mentored prospective exhibitors in the Class.

#### IN CONCLUSION

This is not intended to be an exhaustive list but is presented in the interests of starting the creation of essential and sustainable standards. It is recommended that all members be invited to comment on:

- 1. Consider the proposed Juror appointments methodology and to invite nominations on a Form similar to the standard FIP Apprenticeship Application form.
- 2. Submit your opinions to the FIP Board via the FIP Secretary General no later than 1 March, 2020. All member federations would have received the email with the necessary attachments from the FIP Secretary General in January 2020.

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#### FIP JURY ACADEMY CLASS 7, 15 - 17 OCTOBER 2019, TORONTO

Thirteen FIP judges attended Class 7 of the Jury Academy held in Toronto, Canada from October 15 to 17, 2019. Trainers were Peter Suhadolc from Slovenia and Charles Verge from Canada who replaced Gary Brown who passed away a few weeks earlier and had been scheduled to teach the course. Bernard Beston, FIP President, acted as FIP observer as well as being a trainee.

The course curriculum remains fresh and up-to-date. Every class since the first has been forthcoming with ideas to improve the material presented. Toronto was no different and some very good ideas will be incorporated in the next class to be held in London, England, April 28-30, 2020, just before LONDON 2020.

The course was held in the meeting rooms of the Vincent Graves Greene Philatelic Research Foundation (Greene Foundation) in downtown Toronto (www.greenefoundation.ca). This is the first class not associated with an exhibition and also the first class which had access to a world class library. The Greene Foundation's library is a member of the Global Philatelic Library Network (www.globalphilateliclibrary.org). The Greene Foundation was the main sponsor of the event that had four other sponsors (Cavendish Auctions, Christopher Greene Philatelist, Eastern Auctions and the West Toronto Stamp Club).

The thirteen trainees who successfully complete the course and join 97 others who attended the six previous classes were:

AL-MANASEER, Akthem	(USA)	MOURITSEN, Henrik	(Denmark)
BESTON, Bernard	(Australia)	SCHUMANN, Stephen D.	(USA)
DIAZ, Luis Fernando	(Costa Rica)	TAYLOR, James R.	(Canada)
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Class 7 photo in the Vincent Graves Greene Philatelic Research Foundation library. Back row from left to right: Charles Verge (trainer), Akthem Al-Manaseer (USA), James Taylor (Canada), Peter Suhadolc (trainer), John McEntyre (Canada), Danforth Walker (USA), Ross Towle (USA), Stephen Schumann (USA), Henrik Mouritsen (Denmark), Kim Young Kil (Korea). Front row from left to right: Luis Fernando Diaz (Costa Rica), Kathryn Johnson (USA), Patricia Walker (USA), Bernard Beston (Australia) and Ed Kroft (Canada).

Canada now joins the Czech Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Peru, Slovakia and Slovenia who have all their philatelic judges trained.

The trainee certificates and Jury Fellow pins were presented by the trainers at an excellent dinner at Brownes Bistro. Thirty friends and family attended this event. Throughout the training, the organizers ensured that the trainees were treated to Canadian food including a buffet catered, on the first night, by NishDish, an Ojibway native restaurant. They had an offering of five Canadian desserts shown on a recent series of Canadian stamp series called "Sweets". Amongst other dishes were Arctic Char and, for some, a typical Canadian Thanksgiving dinner of turkey and all the trimmings.



Class work entails sharing social events. Dinner in the Wince Cellar at Spiga Restaurant, Toronto.



A special envelope issued to all participants of Class 7 with the logos of the sponsors and the Blueberry Grunt stamp.



FIP President Bernard Beston (middle), a graduate of the Jury Academy Class #7 in Toronto, Canada, received his pin and certificate from the trainers, Peter Suhadolc and Charles Verge

Charles Verge, Jury Academy Trainer

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## SINGPEX 2019 ASIAN INTERNATIONAL STAMP EXHIBITION HELD UNDER FIP RECOGNITION

SINGPEX 2019, commemorating Singapore's Bicentennial and 100 Years of First Airmail in Singapore, was held at the Suntec Singapore Convention and Exhibition Centre on 31 July to 4 August 2019, after 2 years of preparation.

Hosted by the Association of Singapore Philatelists (ASP), this was the fourth time that Singapore had organised an Asian International Stamp Exhibition. Singapore previously hosted the Federation of Inter-Asian Philately (FIAP) exhibitions in 1987, 1994 and 1998 and the World Stamp exhibitions in 1995, 2004 and 2015.

Held with the Patronage of FIAP and FIP Recognition, SINGPEX 2019 showcased more than 200 years of postal history and philatelic display from the Straits Settlements era to the modern Singapore. The Court of Honour Display which included the FIAP Grand Prix Club and invited exhibits from the Singapore Philatelic Museum, added excitement to the 1200 frames of competitive exhibits from more than 26 countries.









The official Opening Ceremony of SINGPEX 2019 held on the morning of 31 July 2019 was graced by Mr S Iswaran, Singapore Minister for Communication and Information, who was the Patron of SINGPEX 2019 and Guest of Honour. Minister S. Iswaran was accompanied by Mr Richard Tan, Chairman of Singpex 2019 Organising Committee and Dr Prakob Chirakiti, FIP Liaison Officer, together with other invited guests to tour the exhibition area, including the Court-of-Honour.

On the evening of opening day, all the delegates were brought to visit the flower dome and watched the special light shows at Gardens by the Bay.











Top left photo: SINGPEX 2019 Chairman and FIP Director Tan addressing at the Opening Ceremony; top right photo: Entourage with Minister Iswaran; middle photo: school children meeting Minister at the exhibition; Bottom: f.l: Ong Tong San, IMBA Senior Director; Aileen Chia, IMDA Director-General; Marjorie Ooi, SingPost Head Financial Service; Director Richard Tan, Minister Iswaran and FIP Liaison Officer Dr Chirakiti; Vincent Phang, Singpost CEO Postal Services; Peggy Teo, Singpost Asst. Vice President (Philatelic & Stamps), at the entrance of Suntec Convention Centre.





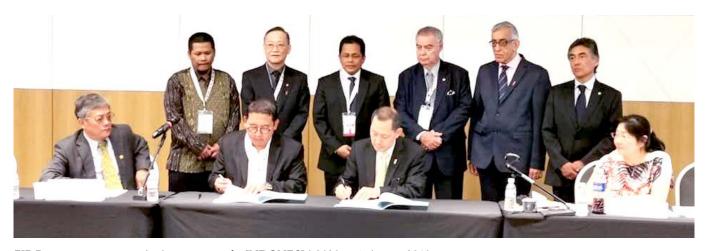
The exhibition had 45 trade booths including Postal Administrations, which were all well visited.

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The FIAP Grand Prix Winners: 3rd from left Dr Kazuyuki Inuoe, Japan (GPI winner); 4th from left Mr Michael Ho, Chinese Taipei (GPH winner) and 5th from left Mr Tan Ah Ee, Singapore (GPN winner).

The FIP Patronage agreement for INDONESIA 2020 World Stamp Championship exhibition was signed on August 3, 2019 after the SINGPEX 2019 Exhibition and witnessed by FIP President Beston, together with FIP Directors Yigal Nathaniel, Aldo Samamé and Richard Tan. The Organising Committee of INDONESIA 2020 would also hold the 76th FIP Congress on 11 August, 2020.



FIP Patronage agreement signing ceremony for INDONESIA 2020 on 3 August 2019.

Edited from the original report by Ms Sharyln Neo, Secretariat, Association of Singapore Philatelists

#### Verona 2019 FIP Qualifying Seminar for Thematic Philately

During the FEPA recognized 2019 European Championship of Thematic Philately, held in Verona, Italy, November 22-24, the FIP Commission for Thematic Philately organized an FIP approved Qualifying Seminar. A total of 32 participants, lecturers included, attended the Seminar. During the morning session, five introductory lectures by the present and past members of the TH Bureau: namely Peter Suhadolc, Koenraad Bracke, Paolo Guglielminetti, Jari Majander and Damian Läge, were given.

Peter Suhadolc presented the new Thematic Commission Guidelines approved by the delegates at the Commissions meeting in Bangkok in December 2018 and approved by the FIP Board to be ratified at the 76th FIP Congress. The powerpoint, available on the TH Commission webpage, contained only the highlights of the most important changes adopted. Those regarding Presentation and One-frame exhibits have been harmonised among the various FIP Commissions. An important issue was the division of the postally non-appropriate material into two categories – i) in the first items are listed that continue not to be allowed in a thematic exhibit; ii) in the second items are listed that can be used in the thematic treatment, albeit in a limited number and to be fully justified. In the chapter on Evaluation of thematic exhibits the basic requirements to be fulfilled in order to get 80% of the points and the achievements that progressively lead to higher points have been defined for each criterion.

Koenraad Bracke discussed the issue of appropriate material, to be used in describing thematic details in an exhibit, and showed examples of unappropriate material. The other lecturers covered in more detail all the main evaluation criteria. Similar to the 2017 Seminar in Brasilia, during the Verona session, there was a practical training in front of the frames which took place in the afternoon. At the end, the former Thematic Commission Chairman Giancarlo Morolli gave a lecture on the problematics of evaluating sport Olympics exhibits.



Presentation by Peter Suhadolc (Photo by R. Prange)

Report by Peter Suhadolc, Chairman of FIP Thematic Commission

## HUNFILA 2019 BUDAPEST International Stamp Exhibition held under FIP Sponsorship

FIP Sponsorship was garnered for this multilateral exhibition as a new initiative, thereby helping the development of stamp collection in the given geographical territory. FEPA also gave its recognition for the exhibition.

As an added plus, to our great honour, the President of FIP elected last year, Mr. Bernard Beston; FIP Director for Europe Mr Yigal Nathaniel and in the representation of the FEPA President, Mr. José Ramón Moreno, Mr. Bojan Bračič, the Secretary of the organization visited the exhibition.

The venue of this philatelic event was the same Stefánia Palace that hosted the exhibition of 2017, commemorating the 150th anniversary of the issue of the first Hungarian stamps.

At 3 pm on 4 October 2019 the big ground level hall of the Palace was totally full of people. Bernard Beston, FIP President; Tibor Benkő, Minister for National Defence; Sára Hegmanné Nemes, Chairman of the Board of the Hungarian Post, were main patrons, plus Brigadier General Ernő Baráth and Colonel József Aulelcha, chiefs of the Stefania Palace and last but not least Géza Homonnay, President of MABÉOSZ.

The President of the Organizing Committee, István Glatz greeted everybody and expressed his thanks to the 11 foreign countries that had sent exhibits and enhanced the international standards of the exhibition.

Speeches were given by Dr. Géza Homonnay; Dr. János Áder, President of Hungary and Dr. László Kövér, President of the Parliament, followed by the Defense Minister who greeted the guests in the name of the Ministry. FIP President of Beston stressed the importance of the exhibitions, providing a platform for the collectors to share their knowledge, meet, make friendships.

The Chairman of the Board of the Hungarian Post greeted the guests and presented the two stamps and the block, issued for the occasion of the 92nd Stamp Day. Then these were officially put into circulation by the aid of the Minister of Defence and the President of MABÉOSZ, who both signed and stamped a cover.

The President of MABÉOSZ opened the exhibition and accompanied the guests to view the exhibition.



Opening of the exhibition, the cutting of the national ribbon (from left to right Tibor Benkő dr. Defence Minister; Sára Hegmanné Nemes, CEO of Hungarian Post; Géza Homonnay dr., President of MABÉOSZ; Ernő Baráth Brigadier General and Bernard Beston, FIP President)



Youth Day – children's group activity with adult leaders.



During the "Stamp Day", results of HUNFILA 2019 were announced. István Glatz, the President of the Organizing Committee greeted the audience, among them Bernard Beston, FIP President; Yigal Nathaniel, FIP Director; Bojan Bračič, Secretary of FEPA and Ildikó Panulin, spokeswoman of the Hungarian Post. The greeting speech was held by László Leitold, Vice-President of MABÉOSZ, stressing the endeavours of the Board aiming at the development of our beloved hobby.

At the prize giving ceremony of HUNFILA 2019, Dénes Czirók, President of the International Jury read the Jury report both in Hungarian and English language, and then the best exhibitors received their prizes.



The International Jury with the FIP President and FIP Director (from left to right: Károly Szücs (Hungary), Vojtech Jankovič (FIP-Slovakia), Bedřich Helm dr. (FIP-Czech Republic), Bernard Beston (FIP President), Dénes Czirók (FIP-Hungary), István Glatz (FIP-Hungary), Yigal Nathaniel (FIP Director), Adriano Bergamini (FIP-Switzerland), József Vendel (Hungary), Sándor Fülöp (Hungary), Lóránt Ürmös (Consultant-Hungary)

Very strong collections were presented by the Portuguese and Spanish collectors, the Germans brought plenty of youth material, while a number of new Hungarian exhibits were shown mainly in the one frame class.

In the Honorary Class we saw the most successful Hungarian collections of the past decade and also the collections of some jury members, and in the Official Class the material of the Stamp Museum, the Post Museum and the ANY Security Printing House.

Many activists have helped the organizers to produce a memorable event, I have to thank them for their excellent work.

Leaders of the international organizations and the jury members, commissioners and exhibitors representing the foreign countries all praised this most important event of Hungarian philately. The HUNFILA 2019 further enhanced the acknowledgment of Hungarian philately.

Edited from the original report by István Glatz President of the Organizing Committee of HUNFILA 2019 BUDAPEST

#### **CAPE TOWN 2021**

The signing of the FIP patronage agreement for CAPE TOWN 2021 Specialised World Stamp Exhibition with Philatelic Federation of South Africa, took place on 25 July, 2019 at the Official Hotel. The exhibition would be held from 17-21 March 2021. Visit the official website https://capetown2021.org/ for more information.



Signing of the CAPE TOWN 2021 patronage agreement between FIP President Beston, who is also the FIP Consultant, and President Emil Buhrmann.



Official hotel for Cape Town 2021, "The Cullinan".



The venue for the exhibition is the Cape Town International Convention Center.

#### MULTILATERALE BRIEFMARKENAUSSTELLUNG LUXEMBURG 2019

The exhibition of the "Multilaterale Briefmarkenausstellung Luxemburg 2019" was held from November 8 to 10, at the Exhibition hall LUXEXPO in Luxembourg, under patronage of His Royal Highness Grand-Duke Henri and under the auspices of the Prime Minister of Luxembourg, of the City of Luxembourg and of FEPA.



The presidents of the member federations of the Multilaterale (German speaking federations): f.l. Kraaibeek Hans (NL), Suhadolc Peter (Sl), Schmidt Alfred (D), Wolff Jos (L), Kogler Helmut (A), Leuthardt Rolf (CH). One member was not present: Liechtenstein.

Jos Wolff, RDP, FSPL President, FIP Honorary President and President of the Organising Committee, welcomed the guests at the opening ceremony. He reiterated that philately knows no bounds and promotes international friendship. Stamp collecting is a real source of joy, knowledge and relaxation at the same time. It is our wish that this exhibition should contribute to further consolidating the solidarity of the Multilateral Associations and thus documenting the will of our peoples for peace and togetherness.

The Director General of POST Luxembourg, Claude Strasser, conveyed the greetings of the Luxembourg Post and stated that it was a great honor for him to welcome all guests at the opening of this exhibition that would not have happened if the Luxembourg Federation and Post Luxembourg had not become member of the Multilateral a few years ago. This membership, which includes the organisation of a national exhibition, was a challenge for both the Federation and the POST Luxembourg. He welcomed the fact that the FSPL had part of the exhibition frames available for Luxembourg collectors "out of competition" to show exhibits according to their own ideas. He then handed Jos Wolff the traditional souvenir frame with the stamp block "Kaiser Karl V." and the first day envelope, issued on this occasion.



The jury of the Multilaterale: f.l. F. Krack (L), L. Boettger (L), P. Suhadolc (SI), C. Montandon (CH), R. Thill (L), H. Wenz (D), A. Trommer (L), A. Schmidt (D), J. Wolff (L), J. Vermeule (NL), J. Graffé (L), C. Feck (L), H. Horin (A) L = Luxembourg

Sl = Slovenia

CH = Switzerland

D = Germany

NL = Netherlands

A = Austria

In 400 frames, exhibitors from six member federations of the "Multilaterale", from Austria, Germany, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Slovenia and Switzerland showed their exhibits in competition out of all classes of philately: Traditional Philately, Postal History, Postal Stationery, Aerophilately, Astrophilately, Thematic Philately, Maximaphily, Revenues, Picture Postcards, Youth Philately and Philatelic Literature. The Jury awarded 23 Large Gold (22 SP), 21 Gold (10 SP), 29 Large Vermeil (6 SP), 14 Vermeil, 7 Large Silver, 4 Silver and 1 Bronze medals. The Luxembourg exhibitors got 4 Large Gold (+ SP), 9 Gold (5 + SP), 7 Large Vermeil (1 + SP), 4 Vermeil, 2 Large Silver and 2 Silver medals. POST Philately showed 5 exhibits in the Court of Honour. 27 exhibits were shown out of competition by exhibitors from Luxembourg philatelic associations.

Jos Wolff, RDP, FSPL President, FIP Honorary President and President of Multilaterale Briefmarkenausstellung Luxemburg 2019

### Updating on the newly elected Presidents of Member Federations

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#### PCI National Stamp Show INPEX 2019, 18-22 December 2019, Mumbai, India

The PCI National Stamp Show INPEX 2019 was a 900 frames National Philatelic Exhibition organized by the Philatelic Congress of India (PCI) under the active support of Department of Post, Government of India and other PCI Member Philatelic Societies. The event also commemorated the 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. The exhibition had all the classes and was judged as per FIP Guidelines.



18 December, 2019 Inauguration and Book Release by Chief Guest Mrs. Rajashree Birla, Mrs. Swati Pandey, Post Master General, Mumbai Region, Mrs. Damyanti Pittie, President-PCI, Mr. Madhukar Deogawanka- Vice President-PCI and Author, Mr Rajesh Kr. Bagri – Secretary General-PCI, Mr. Dhirubhai Mehta, Past President





Audience attending the opening ceremony.





Youth activities.

Seminar by Mr Piyush Khaitan on "1948 Air India Airmail Flights"

There were a number of activities specially planned for the youth, which included letter writing, letter folding techniques, philatelic quizzes and treasure hunts.



Seminar by Mr. Maxwell Smith on "Indian Mails & Express by Trans Pacific Routes".

INPEX 2019 was a successful exhibition that received great interest from the Press and appeared in the national and local newspapers, as well as in the social media.

Report by Rajesh Kumar Bagri Hon. Secretary General, PCI



#### Bill Hedley elected as the new President of FEPA

The FEPA Congress was held in Monaco on Saturday, November 29, 2019, after MonacoPhil 2019. After a successful eight-year period serving as President, Mr José Ramón Moreno stepped down. The Congress elected Bill Hedley, from United Kingdom, as the new FEPA President for a four-year period. Mr Igor Pirc is now the new Secretary for FEPA



FIP President Beston (2nd from right) greeting His Serene Highness Albert II, Sovereign Prince of Monaco at Monacophil.



Honorary President José Ramón Moreno congratulates his successor President Bill Hedley. (Photo courtesy of Ari Muhonen.)

Mr. José Ramón Moreno was unanimously elected as the Honorary President.



Members of the Congress showing their gratitude to the Honorary President Mr. José Ramón Moreno (Photo courtesy of Ari Muhonen)

#### 22nd FIAP Congress held in Singapore on 3 August 2019



The 22nd FIAP Congress was held on 3 August 2019 in Singapore.

The following agenda was brought up at the congress:

• The membership application from Myanmar Philatelic Society was approved unanimously. A thank you speech from Mr U MyaThaung, President of Myanmar Philatelic Society was delivered by his delegate Mr Toe Kyaw Kyar. Myanmar Philatelic Society was founded in 2011, starting with about 30 members from Yangon. Todate they have more than 100 members coming from different townships throughout Myanmar. They thanked FIAP for the support in welcoming Myanmar Philatelic Society into FIAP family.

• The financial report for both 2017 and 2018 was approved unanimously. The 4 main sources of annual income come from a) membership subscription, b) patronage/auspices fee, c) donations from members and d) dividends derived from investment in shares & bonds

The re-appointment of FIAP Grand Prix Club office bearers for the term 2019-2021:

President Mr William Kwan
Vice President Mr Gary Brown
Secretary Mr Michael Ho
Assistant Secretary Mr Prakit Foongvanich

 Re-appointment of FIAP Auditor Thomas Tan & Co was approved unanimously.







Article by Ms Jasmine Soh FIAP Secretariat

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## INDONESIA 2020

World Stamp Championship

Jakarta, 6 - 11 August 2020





Venue

### **INDONESIA 2020**

It will be Specialized WSC Exhibition under the Patronage of FIP and the Auspices of FIAP, covering:

World Stamp Championship Class
Traditional Philately
Postal History
Postal Stationery
Aero Philately
Thematic Philately
Revenues
Modern Philately
Open Philately
Picture Postcards
One-Frame Exhibit
Philately Literature
Youth Philately

Indonesian Parliament Building, (DPR / MPR RI) Jalan Jenderal Gatot Subroto, Senayan Jakarta Pusat 10270

This event is organized by:
The Indonesian Philatelists Association

#### Supported by:

- ▶ The Ministry of Communication and Informatics,
- ▶ The House of Representatives of the Republic of Indonesia (DPR RI),
- ▶ The Government Province of DKI Jakarta and
- ► The Indonesian Post (Pos Indonesia), on the 75th Anniv. of Indonesian Indepandence Day. We are expecting for 2500 frames display.

We Invite the National Philatelic Federations to Participate in World Stamp Championship "INDONESIA 2020".













