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Season's Greetings!

**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**
AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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We wish all IPA Newsletter readers a festive period full of joy!

WORD OF INTRODUCTION

Dear Friends,

December already!

“An end is always a new beginning in disguise”, some say...

Let's regard the Holidays coming soon as a transition time, a moment we can put on hold, a suspension between the year we are about to leave and the one ready to start, a cloud full of dreams, the ones already lived and the ones we wish for...

Let these Holidays also be the time when we will show our motto “Servo per Amikeco” at its best. There are so many ways to do so.



*Happy Holidays!
“A rose about to fade
for a new one”*

For now, allow me to:

- Thank all IPA friends across the world for believing in our Association, defending its values and for giving your time and energy for the development of the IPA. So much has been achieved around the world in 2019. Every single one of us is needed for the good of the IPA. Let's make 2020 an even better one than the current year.
- Extend to all of you my wishes for a Merry Christmas to those of you who celebrate it, and happy Holidays. May this time of the year give you an opportunity to share some unforgettable times with the ones you love.
- Present my sincere wishes of sympathy and courage to all our members who are suffering from illness, pain or from the loss of a loved one. This time of the year certainly sharpens the pain. But may the affection of relatives or IPA friends ease your pain.

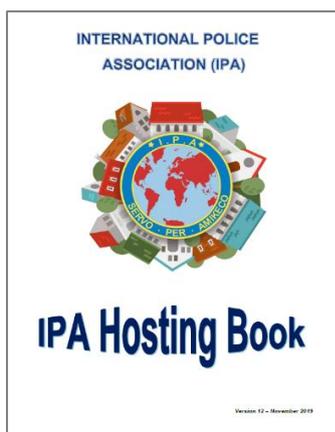
The IPA is what we make of it, and everyone is needed for the good of it. May the journey continue, and our association keep growing, in the true spirit of our founder, especially at the door of 2020, when the IPA will proudly celebrate its 70th anniversary.

Best wishes to you all.

Servo per Amikeco,

Pierre-Martin Moulin, IPA President

IPA Silver Medal Award – Congratulations to Vossie Vos!



Travelling and hosting are two important activities and concepts within the IPA. As you all know, a wonderful tool has been compiled and is at your disposal on our website, the 'IPA Hosting Book'.

Updated on a regular basis, this book aims to provide information and contact details regarding official IPA Houses in operation within the various IPA Sections, as well as other IPA Accommodation available in the respective countries.

The Hosting Book was put together during the last IEB term by a valued member of the Socio-Cultural Commission:

Vossie Vos, current President of the South African section. Vossie did a wonderful job, and he was meant to be awarded with the Silver Medal of the IPA during the recent 64th IPA World Congress in Croatia.

Unfortunately, I forgot to do so, and therefore, and while at the same time expressing my sincere apologies, I would like to officially and on behalf of the IEB award Vossie with the IPA Silver Medal, in order to thank him for his dedication and wonderful job.

Thank you my friend. Wonderfully done!

Pierre-Martin Moulin, IPA President



AROUND THE WORLD

3rd International Conference 'Security of Historic Cities' in Solin



Deputy Prime Minister Dr. Sc. Davor Božinović.

The third international conference 'Security of Historic Cities', which was organised by the IPA - RC Split-Dalmatia, the Croatian Association of Historic Cities, the Department of Forensic Sciences of Split University, and the Tourist Board of Split-Dalmatia in Solin, Croatia, which took place from 6-8 November 2019, closed its doors in an atmosphere of high expectations.

The opening event, attended by more than 200 representatives, confirmed the high interest for this comprehensive

subject of local security and joint care for a better quality of life in local communities.

In his opening speech, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of the Interior, Dr. Sc. Božinović, emphasised the importance of functional networking in the field of community security, stressing the important role of the police in the realisation of strategic and local priorities.

A key element to the conference's success was the presence of speakers and guests from a wide range of social life, from Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Slovenia, Germany, France, Spain and the United States. They gathered in Solin to share their experiences with other guests eager to acquire best practice.

The list of the representatives and the guests at the conference is a clear example of a list of the partners who should participate in community security: representatives of the regional and local authorities, the Police authorities, members of the IPA clubs from Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Germany and Slovenia, representatives of private security companies, officials from the tourism business, representatives of local companies, firefighters, representatives of the universities, expert bodies, civil associations and many other interested individuals.

Every participant was able to find something interesting in the presentations of the speakers, which is helpful in fulfilling the aims of their local community projects concerning security.

The second conference day was planned as a combination of field workshops, a field tour of the archaeological excavations in the area of ancient Salonam, followed by a voluntary blood donation by the conference participants, organised by the conference co-organiser, the Association of Blood Donors from the Police Administration Split Dalmatia, and volunteers from the AnaRukavina Association.



Project Manager, Slobodan Marenić

Besides the interesting programme, there was also time for friendly get-togethers. A gala dinner after the inspiring first conference day, opened by the President of the IPA RC Split-Dalmatia Mr Perica Orešković, was a perfect opportunity for a relaxed discussion on many common subjects and developing ideas for the next gatherings.

This conference confirmed the organisational and partnership potential of the IPA RC Split-Dalmatia. The club's volunteers and the student volunteers acted in a highly professional way.

A special aspect of the conference is the summary of the conference's work, where IPA members and police officers can publish their expert and scientific works.

Project manager Slobodan Marenić, IPA RC Split-Dalmatia, Croatia

ARTIPA – a beautiful initiative by IPA France - Rhône



On 20 September 2019 a team of friends, colleagues and members of the IPA gathered in the City Hall of Lyon (8^{ème} arrondissement) to prepare our exhibition 'ARTIPA' on 21 and 22 September 2019. We welcomed all participants with great anticipation: 15 painters, 3 sculptors, 7 writers and 1 photographer, all from the security forces (gendarmerie, police, customs, transport police, prefecture).

The event started with an aperitif offered by the municipality of Lyon, in the presence of civil and military personalities, whom we thank for their presence. We presented our associations: the International Police Association (IPA), the International Museum of Police and Gendarmeries (IMPG), as well as the Lyonnaise Society of Police History (SLPH). Around 100 visitors came and were pleasantly surprised by the diversity, quality and beauty of this exhibition, allowing the public to discover a facet of our colleagues which was unknown to them: art.

I would like to express my gratitude to all exhibitors. Thanks to them, these 2 days were a full success. I spent two exceptional days full of friendship, solidarity, and I would even say of universal love, which brings together the police. It had been a long time since I had felt like this. Thank you, my friends.

My thanks also go to the Mayor, to his safety assistant Mr. Daniel Perez, and to the staff of the Lyon City Council, for their assistance during the preparations for this event.

Further thanks go to: Linda F. for the musical entertainment during these two days; Antonio Gomez Montejano, painter, photographer, writer and President of IPA Madrid (Spain), who honoured us with his participation in this exhibition; Robert L., Agnès A., Patrice A., Patricia B., Annick B., Thierry D'A., Pierre d'A., Hervé G., Philippe G., Ghislaine G. S., Lucien G., Michel L., Marie M., Bruno P., Florence R., Nora S., Virginie S., Dominique B., Julie C., Claude S., Philippe B. from Amiens (80), they will all know why they are mentioned...

Finally, a thank-you goes to Nelly Antoinette, who was at the origin of this initiative and a great help during this event. Thanks to her for donating her painting for the benefit of the tombola for the police orphanage, which was won by Frédéric Secondi, who decided to donate the painting to the orphanage.

Thank you to all the artists.

Until next year maybe.

SERVICE THROUGH FRIENDSHIP.

Jean-Claude Fleury, President IPA Rhône, France



A glowing review of IPA Ireland's Mass Casualty Seminar



In October I went to Dublin for a seminar on First Response to a Mass Casualty Incident, organised by the Irish branch of the International Police Association. It looked at how operations and challenges involved with them, and ways to enhance our response.

On arrival, I was picked up by Chris Cahill, the event organiser, and taken to the IPA House in North Dublin. Once there, I got talking to the other international delegates over a beer or three. As often happens in Ireland,

walking back from the bar after dinner, we accidentally ended up in another bar until 1am.

After a slightly hungover breakfast, the next morning we were taken to the training facility near Phoenix Park, operated by Civil Defence Ireland with an extensive urban training facility.

The first topic was delivered by a guest speaker, Chris from the BTP Firearms unit, who spoke about Counterterrorism operations in the UK. Following on, the Garda Special Tactics Operations Command (STOC) gave a talk on their armed capability. Every detective in the Garda has a sidearm, regardless of role.

Within the past few years they have rolled out additional armed capability within Dublin, bridging the gap between the unarmed/sidearm officers and their CT-SFO's. There is a lot of experience and skill in the unit, and they are hungry for learning. Their 'routine' jobs dealing with dissident terrorism & violence was anything but in my eyes.

The last input of the day was from a lead national negotiator, talking through how they respond to armed sieges, kidnappings and other high-risk situations.

Day 2 opened with a talk on public order incidents. It's a bread & butter thing in the UK, and it was interesting to see how Garda learning had progressed. I had gone into the course expecting a heavy CT focus, but it was good to focus on how mass casualty events can occur elsewhere. This led onto the continuing medical response to such incidents, with METHANE & JESIP being introduced across Ireland.

The Armed Support Unit visited briefly to show off their capabilities, and after lunch we had a visit from the Garda air support unit. One of the guest speakers was a Sgt. on the unit, who arranged for the helicopter to land at the training venue for a talk about its use. Very cool.

Following on from this, the Special Detective Unit spoke about their role in CT operations. We learnt about the terrorism threat level in Ireland and the actions they conduct for it. A massive eye opener again and some real insight into the threats we face in GB.

The next day started with a trip to the Dublin Metropolitan Region Communications Centre, then onto the Dublin Regional HQ, to meet assistant commissioner Leahy for

an overview on strategic response to mass casualty events. From a front-line supervisor's point of view, it was also interesting to see the type of things that would be going on at the top end, and how my role would fit into the big picture. After this, we went to Kevin St. Station, where they had a great IPA collection in the main foyer.

We also had a talk from a retired PSNI officer about his PTSD experience. I took away a few key points regarding how trigger events can crop up at unexpected times, and how it is important to take time to process one's experiences.

Later in the afternoon we had a tour of the Teeling Whiskey distillery with a couple of samples to wash down. Lastly was a visit to the Garda Memorial Gardens at Dublin Castle. Several of the Garda had friends, family or acquaintances listed on the memorial, and there were many stories of incredible heroism.



Day 4 began with a talk from one of the Garda officers regarding epileptic seizures, and how they could be misinterpreted as aggressive actions. Everyone in the room learnt something from it, and I have started showing the presentation to my own team back in London.

Following on, the Garda Emergency Response Unit visited to talk about their integration of medics onto units. Working in partnership with the Irish Ambulance Services, they have integrated highly trained medics for high risk operations. They talked us through some initial life-saving interventions to major trauma and haemorrhage control, with some practical exercises.

Civil Defence Ireland broke out their drones to demonstrate their search and rescue capabilities. The challenges, and benefits, of these drones were discussed – there is a real wealth of knowledge in their operations in policing environments. Lastly, what would a visit to Dublin be without a tour of the Guinness brewery!



Alas the week came to a close all too quickly. We began the final day with a trip to Garda HQ in dress uniforms for pictures and a meeting with Assistant Commissioner McPartlin.

A few confused faces from people at HQ to see the wide range of uniforms knocking about...

The course was fantastic - I learnt a huge amount that goes straight back into my day job. I have huge respect for my Garda colleagues, the situations they

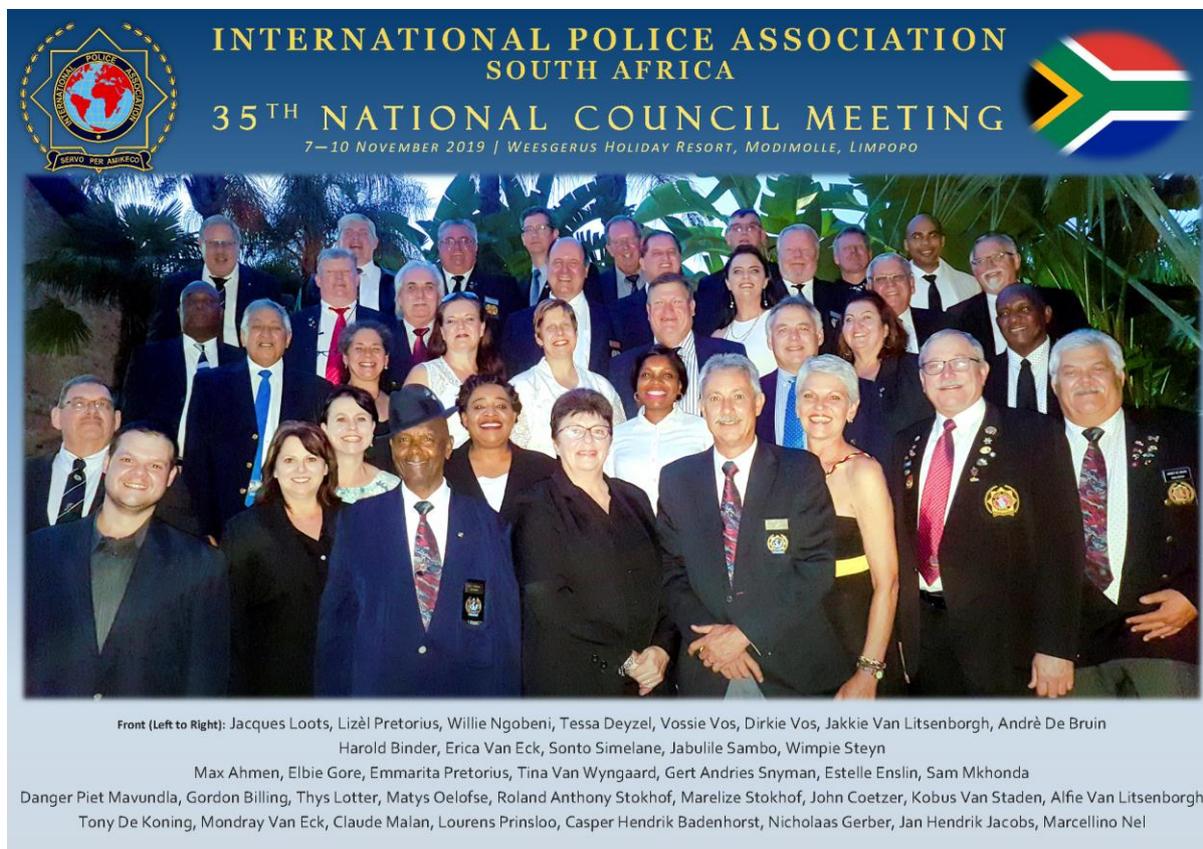
deal with day to day rivals anything we get in London.

Chris Duncombe, member IPA UK

News from IPA South Africa

34th National Council Meeting

Section South Africa held its 34th National Council Meeting from 7 to 11 November 2019 in Modimolle, a town 140 km north of Pretoria.



Critical discussions centred around where we as a Section are finding ourselves pertaining to our three key strategies, namely:

- Social and cultural aspects – Are our activities drawing new members, and are they of such a nature that existing members are being excited by what we have to offer?
- Our social and welfare obligations – As a Non-Profit Organisation (NPO), are we fulfilling that objective and are our adding value to those in need?
- Marketing and recruitment – Do we understand the needs of our target market, the younger members, and are our offerings aligned in being able to recruit new members as well as to retain the existing membership base?

From the in-depth discussions, we identified four critical success factors that will direct the Section's path forward:

- What is the IPA product – Do we know and truly understand our offering as an Association, what is it that we can offer our members and why should they join the IPA or remain a member?
- Where do we want to be in 5-10 years from now (our vision)?
- How can we improve communication and marketing?

- How can we ensure that more members become involved and take part in IPA activities? What activities should we focus on?

For this purpose, we established four working groups comprising of all Delegates present with the objective for the working groups to provide a consolidated overview of the assigned topics over the next few weeks, in order for us to finalise our 2020 Strategy.

There has been great excitement that we as a Section can take the IPA to the next level through “out of the box” initiatives.

IPA South Africa Community Outreach Program

The National Executive Committee had earlier in 2019 taken a decision that during future National Council Meetings (NCM), such NCM’s will coincide with a Community Outreach Project that is aligned to our Strategic Objective pertaining to Social Welfare & Wellness - directed at supporting private and policing social welfare & charity projects.

This year our first NCM Community Outreach Project was directed at supporting the **Abraham Kriel Children’s Home (Orphanage)** in Modimolle on Saturday 9 November 2019.



The Home accommodates 170 children aged from newly born to 18 years of age.

IPA South Africa selected Abraham Kriel Children’s Home due to the fact that it takes in children from all denominations, and cares for them according to the holistic approach, taking the constitution of the country into account so that the physical, educational, welfare and social needs of the children may be met.

For our project, we targeted the Baby House, accommodating 8 babies and which we identified as the most in need for support.

IPA South Africa donated 1600 Euros that comprises of cash, baby products and a microwave to the Baby House.

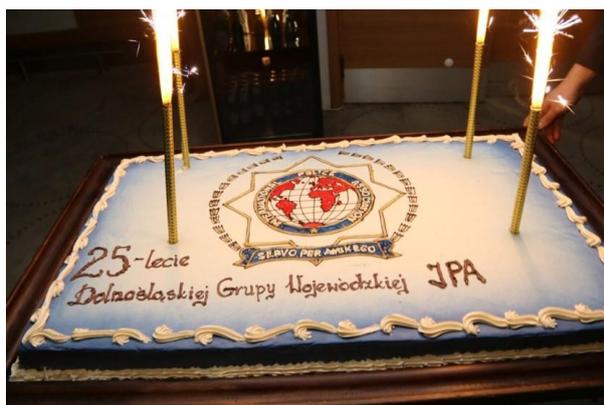
Coordination of the project was driven by Tessa Deyzel, the Secretary General of IPA South Africa.

Hendrik (Vossie) Vos, President IPA South Africa

25th Anniversary celebration of the IPA in Lower Silesia, Poland

On 26 October 2019, the IPA Lower Silesia Provincial Group in Wrocław celebrated its 25th anniversary in Szklarska Poręba.

The ceremony was attended by, amongst others, the representative of the Lower Silesian Voivode; the Director of the Department of Security and Crisis Management; the President of Jelenia Góra; the Mayor of Piechowice; the Commander of the City Police in Jelenia Góra; the County Police Commander in Kłodzko; the Deputy Commander of the Border Guard Post in Kłodzko; representatives of the police unions in Lower Silesia Province; delegations of foreign police officers from Ireland, Italy and Wales; and representatives from the world of science from the University of Wrocław.



Among the invited guests were also representatives of IPA Poland, representatives of IPA provincial groups and IPA regions which are befriended with Lower Silesia.



A quarter of a century of an organisation's existence is always an opportunity to summarise, but also to present its achievements. Therefore, the jubilee celebrations began with the presentation of a brief historical outline of the IPA in Lower Silesia and projects carried out by the association. On this occasion, special thanks were given to the representatives of the offices and

institutions with which the IPA cooperates on a daily basis.

During the ceremony, and on behalf of the Minister of Sport, the representative of the Lower Silesia Province presented our colleague Fryderyk Orepek with the honorary medal for 'Services to tourism'. In addition, certificates for 20 years of membership were handed to two colleagues from IPA Region Kłodzko – Ryszard Szczucki and Leszek Szczucki.

During the ceremony the President of IPA Poland announced that our colleague Tomasz Lewicki from IPA Region Głogów had won 1st place in The International IPA Photo Competition, in which 600 participants from 65 countries took part.

25 years is a perspective that gives satisfaction to both creators as well as to all those who shaped the organisation and its activities over the years.

Text: Bartłomiej Majchrzak; Translation: Michał Sługocki, IPA Poland

Photos: Tomasz Lewicki

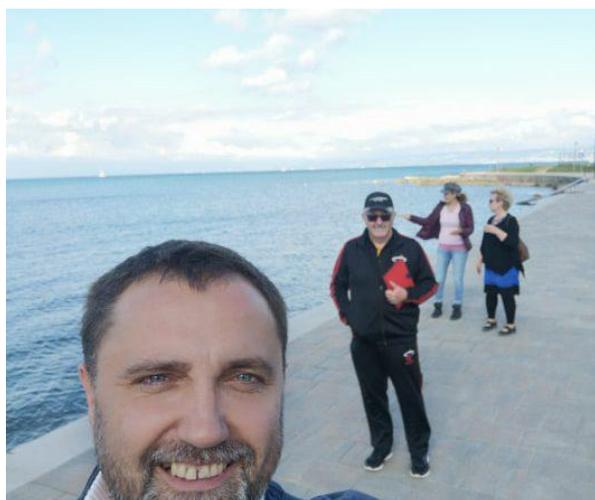
Australian guests hosted by IPA Slovenia

IPA Australia member Ian Hicks and his wife visited Slovenia in October, and Viktor Zupančič, a long-time member of IPA Slovenia, who works at the Operation and Communication Centre of the General Police Directorate in Ljubljana took great care of the visitors.

Our guests had travelled to Ljubljana from Dubrovnik, where the 64th IPA World Congress took place. Fortunately, Slovenia is small enough, so that in a short amount of time one can visit the majority of attractions. Viktor and his wife

Nina prepared an interesting programme for our Australian guests, which was full of activities. The day after their arrival they visited the wonderful landscape of Gorenjska. 'First, we made a stop at a church in Brezje, then we visited Šobčev bajer. We continued towards Bled, where we took some photos and enjoyed the famous Bled cream cake (kremšnita) with an amazing view of the castle. We also drove to lake Bohinj and Kranjska Gora, all the way to lake Jasna. We finished off the trip at waterfall Peričnik in Mojstrana'.

Our guests also visited the coastal region (Primorska), where they stopped at the Socerb castle and enjoyed the sea view. 'In Izola we took a walk at Simon's Bay, we visited Strunjan above Moon's Bay and rested our eyes on the blue sea. Afterwards, we also took a turn past Piran, Portorož, and Lucija, before returning to Ljubljana. They concluded their day with the visit of a salt room (salt therapy) in Ljubljana, which was their first experience of that kind', Victor reported.



The visit from our Australian friends was short, but they still managed to explore most of the country. Of course, we could not miss out the Postojna cave. In the Štajerska region Karl Petelinšek and Anita Kovačič Čelofiga welcomed them in the name of IPA Slovenia. As it is a tradition, they stopped in Trojane and had an opportunity to taste our largest doughnut. Karl showed the guests his home with beautiful views, many animals, and a huge collection of medals, won at different sport events. Anita waited for our IPA friends in Maribor, where they exchanged gifts and

then visited one of the largest wine cellars in Europe. As it is a custom in the Štajerska region, wine tasting was of course included. On the way to Ljubljana there was a compulsory stop at a beer fountain in Žalec, and kranjska klobasa (kranjska sausage) went great with the beer.

Saturday was dedicated to exploring Ljubljana. Firstly, a photo with a Slovenian policeman in a uniform in front of the Ministry of the Interior was taken. Afterwards the

walk around town included the Triple Bridge, the market, Dragon bridge, and the old town. The sightseeing finished with a cup of coffee at Skyscraper with a view of Ljubljana castle, where Victor presented Ian and Nina with some Slovenian products and souvenirs. In the afternoon, it was already time to say goodbye, but with a promise that they will meet again. Happiness and satisfaction were mutual.

Fell in love in sLOVEnia! Why visit Slovenia?

This hidden gem of Europe has all the history and culture of the old world, yet there is no mass tourism. Slovenia is home to hospitable people, wonderful nature and excellent food.

Besides traditional touristic attractions, it is also worth visiting numerous other places and events, such as the traditional Ptuj carnival. Postojna cave with the olm is very well known, and you should not overlook lake Bled (especially recommended for romantic souls), our highest mountain Triglav and Idrija, a town famous for handmade lace and a mercury mine that is listed in the UNESCO world heritage list.



Maribor, where tourism is still developing, is the home of the oldest wine in the world, and people of this region often joke that alcohol can be felt in the air. The small seaside town of Piran will amaze you with exceptional architecture and excellent local cuisine.

Despite being one of the smaller countries, Slovenia is hiding numerous intact nature spots– more than half of its surface is covered in forest! When going on a hiking tour, do not forget the traditional Slovenian cuisine that is particularly delicious in the Prekmurje region.

Viktor Zupančič, IPA Slovenia

Anita Kovačič, Public Relations IPA Slovenia

IPA UK member Chris Heathcote enjoys travelling around Europe with a little help from the IPA

Back in September 2019, I submitted two travel forms to Section UK HQ, one for Slovenia and one for Germany.

On 17 October 2019, my partner Sarah and I landed in Slovenia. IPA member Marjan Prah-Podborški, Vice-President of the section and a retired detective, very kindly met us at Ljubljana airport and took us on a driving tour around the capital and then ensured that we were settled into our hotel.

The next morning we met him and also his IPA Slovenia colleague, Mihael Burilov, at their office and we were taken on a tour of one of the city's police stations, and introduced to two more colleagues who were supervising officers from the response and patrol team, who showed us the police vehicles and prisoner cells.



At the police station in Ljubljana, Slovenia - from left to right: myself; the Station Inspector; Marjan Prah-Podborški, my partner Sarah; the Station Sergeant and Mihael Burilov

After that, we were treated to a delicious and hearty traditional Slovenian lunch of sausages and buckwheat, with local beer, and we were given plenty of advice and information about other activities that we could do in our time in Slovenia. We took up on the suggestion of walking the Vintgar gorge, which was stunningly beautiful.

Finally, Marjan really helped us out, and went above and beyond what we could have expected, driving us from Ljubljana to Bled, in the north west of the country, showing us the lake, helping us claim our hire car and settling us into our hotel there. It was a brilliant start to five fantastic days in Slovenia, where we later hiked in the Triglavski National Park and visited the Skocjan caves and Soca Valley.

We are so grateful to IPA Slovenia and Marjan in particular. If I had known beforehand, I would have taken up Marjan's offer of staying in the IPA Slovenia guesthouse in Ljubljana.

On 22 October 2019, we travelled on to Germany. In Baden-Württemberg, an IPA member from the Rastatt & Baden-Baden branch, and almost retired traffic officer, Tom Eck, had already been helping us to find campsites in the Black Forest. We met him on our first morning in Germany, and knowing our love of hiking, he took us walking above the city of Baden-Baden to the Hohenbaden castle ruins and the Battert rocks, which, once the fog had cleared, afforded some brilliant views.

We then drove to the state police's nearby shooting range and met the instructor Roland Herr and IPA colleague Uwe Greinacher. Amazingly, they let us fire a few live rounds on the range using their standard Heckler & Koch service pistol. Sarah put me to shame by totally out-gunning me on the target practice, despite never having fired a weapon before!

After that Tom put his local knowledge to good use and took us on a walking tour of the city centre of Baden-Baden. He gave us many ideas of where we should visit both

there and in the Black Forest, where we were taking our camper van next. At his suggestion we drove along the Black Forest Highway for stunning autumn scenery and climbed Mount Feldberg, the highest in the region.



At the shooting range in Germany, with – amongst others – Roland Herr and Tom Eck

I really would recommend that more IPA members and Police colleagues should make contact with our colleagues overseas and enjoy the tremendous opportunities that exist to meet and socialise with them.

Marjan and Tom - thank you so much for your wonderful and warm welcomes to your countries. I have offered to reciprocate for them to come and visit me in London.

Chris Heathcote, member IPA UK

ON THE TABLE OF THE IEB

Good progress with Memorandum of Understanding between the IPA and the World Association of Detectives



In August 2019, the IPA and the World Association of Detectives (WAD) signed a Memorandum of Understanding, in which both organisations agreed to promote membership in each other's associations. On 7 November 2019, the newly elected President of the WAD, Mr Dan Rusu, handed over a framed copy of the MOU to the National President of IPA Romania, Florin Olaru.

Both parties agreed to support each other's associations in accordance with the MOU's outline, and hope to present new tools and programmes for members, as well as attract young police officers to join the IPA. Retired police officers are invited to join WAD where they will be able to enjoy a warm welcome. It was also agreed to arrange joint seminars on topics of interest for both organisations.

The collaboration between the IPA and WAD is open to all sections worldwide.

May-Britt V.R. Ronnebro, Secretary General

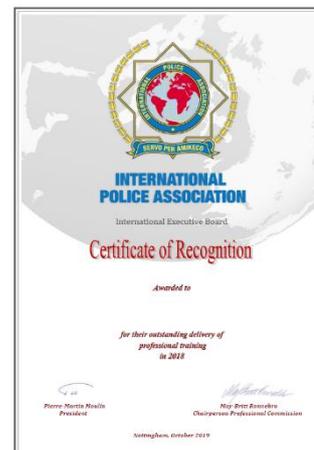
Dan Rusu, President WAD

Professional Recognitions at the World Congress 2019

Congratulations to the following IPA sections on their recognition for delivering high-quality Police and IPA Professional Seminars/Conferences in 2018:

Police Professional Seminars/Conferences

IPA Austria	IPA Argentina
IPA Bosnia & Herzegovina	IPA Croatia
IPA Greece	IPA Hungary
IPA Italy	IPA Moldova
IPA Poland	IPA Romania
IPA Serbia	IPA Spain
IPA Ukraine	



IPA Professional Seminars/ Conferences

IPA Israel	IPA Mozambique	IPA Sweden
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During the Gala Dinner of the 64th IPA World Congress in Cavtat, Croatia, the Chairperson of the Professional Commission 2015 – 2019, May-Britt Ronnebro, presented Certificates of Recognition to sixteen IPA sections who had organised outstanding seminars and conferences. Each section is invited to clearly report their number of seminars and participants in seminars, including the topics for the training events in their Progress Report each year.

Three IPA sections reported national and regional IPA board member training in community skills and meeting techniques.

Thirteen of the recognised sections had delivered further training for IPA members and in some cases other law enforcement officers, on topics that can be identified as new or of outstanding interest within the police community in their part of the world. In addition, several other sections not mentioned above had reported further training options for IPA members at national or international venues. The vetting of the seminars has been conducted by independent lecturers at five police universities/colleges in Europe, USA and Australasia.

A cordial thank-you to all sections who support the professional pillar of the IPA!

I am extremely pleased that in 2018, more than 30,000 IPA members received further training through IPA sections, plus an additional 1,000 members participated in further training at our education centre IBZ Gimborn. This is a notable increase of 12,000 people who received training, compared to the previous year.

May-Britt V. R. Ronnebro, former Chairperson of the Professional Commission

World Class Policing Awards



I was delighted when I received an invitation to attend the first World Class Policing Awards Gala held at Grosvenor Hotel Ballroom in London on 11 November 2019.

The imagination, innovation and drive of policing around the world was on display during the evening. Police officers, who are always looking at new ways to tackle problems and for making the public's lives safer.

Stephen Kavanagh QPM, DL, the former Chief Constable of Essex and Chair of the World Class Policing Awards Steering Committee started the evening's proceedings and gave a brief overview of the background to the awards. Nearly 200 nominations had been received. Mike Bush, Commissioner of the New Zealand Police announced that the committee had chosen 6 out of the 54 finalists to receive the "Highly Commended" recognition:

- **Community Peer Mentors** by Durham Police, Crime and Victims Commissioner and Durham Police, UK
- **Local Policing Review 2018 – Public Consultation** – Police Service of Northern Ireland in partnership with Northern Ireland Policing Board, UK
- **First Drinks: First Impressions – Harm Reduction Through Police Engagement** – Queensland Police Service in partnership with Griffith University, Australia
- **Exeter City's partnership response to the terrorist attack on its Synagogue** – Devon and Cornwall Police, UK
- **Operation Limelight and the "US/UK FGM Law Enforcement Proclamation"** – Metropolitan Police Service with UK Border Force, Homeland Security Investigations and the FBI
- **Operation Stalker** – Anti-Narcotics Dubai Police, Dubai



The host for the rest of the evening was BBC broadcaster Jeremy Vine.

Award Winners:

- **Mobility Programme – New Zealand Police**; award presented by James Slessor, Accenture Global Public Safety Managing Director. The Mobility Programme was presented at the IPA World Congress in Auckland, New Zealand 2016. The Mobility programme uses smartphones and police specific applications to enable front line officers to be better informed, and share information quickly and securely. The programme was introduced in 2013. The 10,500+ mobile devices issued to officers have resulted in productivity gains of over half a million hours per year.
- **Moonshot – Disrupting Criminals and Protecting Communities – Norfolk Constabulary**; award presented by Chorus Intelligence CEO Boyd Mulvey. Operation Moonshot employs tactics that combine innovative use of intelligence, specialist training and technology such as mobile working and ANPR, to achieve instant results. Within six months 1,084 arrests were made, 1,179 vehicles seized, 827 intelligence submissions and 1,450 traffic offences reported; over £1 m of stolen property was recovered.
- **Operation Polarity – Bedfordshire Police – Eastern Region Special Operational Unit**; award presented by Paul Grady, head of Police at Grant Thornton. A cyber-attack of PlayStation and Sony in the US over Christmas 2014 affected costumers globally. The three-year international investigation was ground-breaking, and resulted in the creation of several national units and databases to support similar future cases.
- **Aid project – Queensland Police Service**; awarded by Andy Lea, Head of Policing at KPMG. The development and implementation of Tactic First Aid Training for approximately 11,000 front line police in Queensland have saved more than 15 people, and medical recovery has been improved for many more.
- **Poisonings 2018 – Wiltshire Local Resilience Forum Strategic Coordinating Group, UK**; awarded by Nick Macdonald, Head of Consulting (Emergency Services Group) at Sopra Steria. They were recognised for their outstanding response to the 2018 Novichok attacks in Salisbury and Amesbury. The Novichok poisonings of former Russian spy Sergei Skripal and his daughter Yulia in March 2018, and the subsequent poisoning of local residents Charlie Rowley and Dawn Sturgess, attracted global attention and scrutiny.



Overall Winner:



Operation Encompass – Devon and Cornwall Police in partnership with the Operation Encompass charity; award presented by Allan Fairley, Managing Director of Public Safety at Accenture. Operation Encompass is partnership working at its most effective, allowing police and schools to ensure that children exposed to/or affected by domestic abuse receive the earliest possible support. In the 17 police forces who adopted the operation, 46,500 children have been supported.

The evening was truly inspiring. The World Class Policing Award is a superb way to recognise the best of international policing and frontline driven programmes including evidence-based policing.

I met IPA members and police officers from Australia, New Zealand, Dubai, Ireland, Chile and the UK who had an interest in joining our association. The IPA is now invited by the founder Bernhard Rex to become a partner of the World Class Policing Awards 2020. A potential project that will be discussed by the IEB.

May-Britt V.R. Ronnebro, Secretary General

LAST WORD

As 2019 draws to a close, I am pleased to say that this year, we saw a 7% increase in the number of articles submitted by sections, with 9 more sections contributing to the Newsletter this time round– thank you very much to each of you!

Most of these articles are about events and show an immense variety. I was delighted last month to be able to take part in one of these, while I was accompanying my daughter Isabelle to a speedskating competition in Lausanne. Vice President Jean-Claude Gilliard from IPA Switzerland and his wife Béatrice came to watch the competition, and then whisked me off to the annual 'Soirée Choucroute' of IPA Vaud. I have to admit that I had not eaten sauerkraut for around 10 years, and it seemed funny for a German living in England to attend a sauerkraut event in Switzerland 😊 – but it was a fabulous evening, showing the joy and conviviality of IPA social events everywhere around the World.



Merci pour cette très sympathique soirée !

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Section	Date	Event
Spain	12-15 Dec 2019	1 st Intern. 7-a-side Football Tournament for Police, Tenerife
Russia	13 Jan 2020	Road Safety Conference, Moscow
Austria	25 Jan-1 Feb 2020	32 nd International Ski Week, Nassfeld
UK	30 Jan-2 Feb 2020	Ceilidh Weekend, Kingussie, Scotland – FULLY BOOKED -
UK	14-17 Feb 2020	Devon Branch Spring Friendship Weekend, Exmouth
Germany	28 Mar 2020	60 th Anniversary IPA Würzburg
Japan	7-14 Apr 2020	Japan Friendship Week
UK	22-28 Apr 2020	Caravan & Camping Club Rally, Spalding
Montenegro	10-15 May 2020	IPA Games, Bar
Spain	11-24 May 2020	Grand Tour – Barcelona to Paris
Germany	14-17 May 2020	50 th Anniversary IPA Bamberg
Austria	14-17 May 2020	XX National Congress + 60 th Anniversary, Seefeld (Tirol)
France	20-25 May 2020	IPA Nord 'Discovery of the Hauts de France' Friendship Week, Lille / Flanders
UK	26-31 May 2020	DTG Personal Safety and Tactics Training Week, Wales
France	29 May-3 Jun 2020	3 rd Friendship Week, Nîmes
UK	5-8 Jun 2020	Lincolnshire Friendship Weekend
Kenya	7-13 Jun 2020	Friendship Week with the Lions of Masai Mara
UK	7-18 Jun 2020	British Isles Cruise, departing from Liverpool
Spain	11-14 Jun 2020	V Torre de Hercules Football Tourn., Galicia
Sri Lanka	9-12 Jun 2020	Hosting Sections' Meeting, Negombo
Sri Lanka	11-17 June 2020	Sri Lanka Friendship Week
Austria	13-20 Jun 2020	Hiking Week, Nassfeld
Ireland	July 2020	Aran Islands Event + Galway 2020
UK	1-8 Aug 2020	Friendship Week, Northern Ireland
UK	8-15 Aug 2020	Friendship Week, Scotland
UK	25 Aug-2 Sep 2020	Liverpool & Merseyside Friendship Week
Belgium	31 Aug-7 Sep 2020	45 th Anniversary IPA Charleroi
Spain	3-6 Sep 2020	XII Iberico Football Tournament, Galicia
Germany	3-6 Sep 2020	Young Police Officers' Weekend, Münster
UK	13-20 Sep 2020	70 th Anniversary of the IPA – Mayflower 400 Iconic Event
Spain	13-18 Oct 2020 dates to follow	65 th IPA World Congress, Lloret de Mar Friendship Week, Barcelona & Madrid
UK	27-29 Nov 2020	Mini-Friendship Week, Ayrshire

FORTHCOMING GIMBORN SEMINARS

Please see below a 4-month summary of seminars, 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
02-06 Dec 2019	Demonstration und Protest – Eskalation und Deeskalation und die Rolle der Polizei	G
09-13 Dec 2019	Terrorismus – Bedrohung von Freiheit und Sicherheit / Terrorism – A Threat to Freedom and Security	G and E
27-31 Jan 2020	Rocker- und Motorradbanden – Gesichter organisierter Kriminalität	G
31 Jan-2 Feb 2020	Qualifizierung ‚Konflikttraining für Jungs‘	G
03-05 Feb 2020	Demonstration und Protest – Eskalation und Deeskalation und die Rolle der Polizei	G
06-08 Feb 2020	Qualifizierung Selbstsicherheitstraining für Mädchen	G
10-12 Feb 2020	Frauen in Stress- und Konfliktsituationen – Synergien zwischen Körper und Psyche wiederherstellen	G
10-14 Feb 2020	Deal with Current Political Issues and Brush up your English	E
14-16 Feb 2020	Qualifizierung „Mut tut gut“	G
17-18 Feb 2020	Taktische Einsatzmedien für Polizeibeamtinnen und -beamte // Tactical First Aid for Police Officers	G/E
19-21 Feb 2020	Yoga – Hilfe im Alltag und kein „Verbiegen für Ziegen“	G

<i>Date</i>	<i>Seminar</i>	<i>Language</i>
24 Feb-01 Mar 2020	Fasten? Trau Dich! – Heilfasten im Oberbergischen Land	G
09-13 Mar 2020	Was Sie schon immer über Facebook, Twitter, YouTube und Co. wissen wollten, aber noch nie gefragt haben – Social Media für Einsteiger	G
21-22 Mar 2020	Qualifizierung ‚Soziales Lernen‘	G
30 Mar- 03 Apr 2020	Terrorismus – Bedrohung von Freiheit und Sicherheit // Terrorism – A Threat to Freedom and Security	G/E

