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The 1st task after being appointed as chairman of the IPC, was the selection of the other candidates for the Commission. Out of the 15 candidates for the IPC, 5 members were selected on the basis of their competences, ambition and motivation. Also a best possible balance of gender, experience and non-experience was achieved. The proposed members were appointed by the PEB.

United Nations UNICRI and ITCILO – Turin:

A joint visit by ERC – IPC chairs from 1st – 4th December 2012 to the United Nations – Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI) and ITCILO in Torino Italy, was arranged by Maurizio ZANONI of IPA Region Piedmont, Section Italy.

The UNICRI delegates were:

Jonathan Lucas, Director
Angela Patrignani, Head, Emerging Crimes
Barbara Rohmann, Head, Major Events Security Programme

A visit to the International Training Centre – International Labour Organization (ITC-ILO) and meeting with Robin Poppe, Chief, Learning and Communication Service was established.

The IPC supported both meetings with information about the offers of IPA concerning developing the professional skills of our members and drew attention to IBZ Gimborn as an international institute. The dialogue opened aspects for a future cooperation for the benefit of IPA and UNICRI. Unfortunately IBZ-Gimborn was unable to attend. Information and website links have been sent to the Director, Mrs G. Bischoff.

At a social gathering with members of IPA region Piemonte, IP Pierre-M. Moulin awarded certificates to various members.

IPC reports:

We thank the 49 Sections that have sent in their IPC reports for 2012.

Worldwide there has been a diversity of activities ranging from professional workshops and representation for IPA at the police academies. It is encouraging to read that many sections are active on this part of “recruiting” for the benefit of our Association. Some sections stimulate and promote IPA at their police academies by presenting an award or plaque for the best recruit of their class.

We are extremely pleased with the extra internal support from sections for their members for the 2nd IPA World Seminar in Australia.

The present report form for the IPC reports will be reviewed into a more practical one. It will be available from the beginning of 2014 from the website documents.

Suggestions from sections for Gimborn seminars were:

- Traffic security and Road Policing in different European countries
- multi cultures education program

Police Placement Programme:

Studying the IPC reports the IPC has identified that clarification of this subject, would improve sections understanding /interpretation. During the meeting in Australia it was suggested we define the terms of Internships and Police Placement Programmes. Currently the two terms mean different things to different sections.

Arkadiusz Skrzypczak will survey all sections to determine and assess if they want to initiate and work actively in police placement programme. This will give a clear view of the present status.

Some Sections have their own internal programmes that contribute to their development. Others say that they use this but do not go into details and unfortunately abstain from stating or explaining any details. They are willing to exchange officers from neighbouring sections. Other sections want to start this up but are encountering the lack of cooperation from their police forces/organisations.

There are suggestions to start informal and formal talks with police authorities about the Police Placement Program and to clarify the differences. This will enable police academies to identify what exactly is meant.

Reports also indicate there are already on-going exchange programmes between Section Ireland, Poland, Germany, England, Ireland, USA, Romania, Hungary and Turkey.

In some sections the policies implemented by the current government do not allow the possibility of any such activity. We recommend and ask that sections, apart from those that have stated this in their report, come with suggestions to the PEB/IPC as to how they in the past have dealt with this “problem”.

A workshop/presentation on the subject of Police Placement Programme and Internships will take part during the IEC Copenhagen.

Other professional issues:

Section Latvia has particularly stated they are interested in **cybercrime** related programmes and issues.

IBZ-Gimborn will have a cybercrime seminar, which we recommend to all sections.

The IPC is also pleased to announce that during this Congress, section The Netherlands will present the topic Cybercrime and issue a free version of a publication and survey concerning Cybercrime and the police in The Netherlands. Co-author and initiator is Henk Klap, former ERC member 2009-2012.

We recommend this interesting topic to all Sections.

Relations with police service:

Unfortunately relations between IPA Sections and Branches are still diverse and different. Some hardly have any, other sections do a lot of work in conjunction with their police service which we welcome.

There can be no doubt that we need to be in contact with our Police Forces. It is of great importance that we continue to create, establish and maintain (new) contacts.

A point of concern is the practical/professional connection between Sections and their Regions with the police academies and the national and local police forces.

It appears that due to lack of new and younger recruitments into Regional and National Boards, the direct connection to these police forces is fading.

Identifying ourselves and connecting to our future members is what we are about and want to be. Investing in meetings where professional related subjects are spoken about or presented in the form of workshops on common topics, is a key to open up and establish awareness, of what IPA does on Social, Cultural and Professional activities and External relations.

Awareness of our International network is growing, in particular amongst younger officers. Borders, except from a geographical point of view, are disappearing.

IPC website:

This has undergone several improvements. There are now extra tabs within the IPC tab, professional and education links have been established. The new links are:

- Unicri,
- The International Association of Chiefs of police
- International police executive Symposium
- CRC Press Online
- Stockholm Criminology Symposium
- 2nd IPA World Seminar for Young Police Officers
- Europol
- Leonardo da Vinci programme

Reports from Arthur Troop Scholarship participants are displayed.

We would welcome any other suggestions from our sections for improvement of our website on these issues.

IPC supports PEB

The support for the Virtual Global Task Force Conference concerning combating online child sexual abuse took place from 11th till 13th December 2012 at the Fairmont Hotel in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

More than 450 participants from 46 countries took part in the event. There were a lot of members of the VGT including the Australian Federal Police, the Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre (Royal Canadian Mounted Police) delegates, the U.S Immigration and Customs Enforcement representatives, the Italian Postal and Communication Police Service officers, Ministry of Interior of the United Arab Emirates employees as well as New Zealand Police officers. Delegates from INTERPOL and EUROPOL also took part in the conference.

During the conference, as the International Police Association, we had the opportunity to promote our Association by distributing different materials including IPA magazines from all around the world, posters advertising IPA opportunities, IPA letter openers, tie clips and pendants. A brand-new IPA flyer created by the IPC was displayed.

Many of participants from such countries as: Brunei, Thailand, Bahrain, Fiji, Cambodia, Philippines, Malaysia, Republic of Korea, India, Indonesia were very interested with our idea “Servo per Amikeco” and declared to show interest in the IPA family.

On the last day of the conference, Arkadiusz Skrzypczak, had a meeting with Major General Nasser Salem Lakhrebani Al Nuaimi, Secretary General of the Office of Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior concerning future membership of the UAE police officers in IPA. The IPC would like to express our appreciation to Jonathan McCauley and VGT for their initiative, as well as IPA United Kingdom and IPA Netherlands for their support.

Swedish Symposium

IPC member May Britt represented the IPA with an information desk/stand with the assistance from Anja Hoog Antink from Section The Netherlands. She is an IPA member and Master in Social Media and supported May-Britt and also promoted her theses on this subject.

Arthur Troop Scholarship:

The selection of the candidates for 2013, proposal document and the unanimous agreement by the PEB was a rewarding result and we were able to publish them after the PEB meeting in Nottingham. (December 2012). The PEB motion concerning the AT Scholarship at this IEC, reviews the present application form, which has been “united” from 3 into 1.

Each applicant can now follow the document and send it in. In the past, several forms have been missing from applications or were not included at all. This proposed new form contains all necessary details from the applicant, the confirmation that he/she is an IPA member for more than 1 year and contains an estimated amount for the required course.

This estimate will allow the IPC and the IT to determine how many applications can be awarded, before recommending the outcome to the PEB. The number of 10 can therefore be removed from the present Rules and allow more flexibility in awarding Scholarships to more members.

Included also is a motivation from each applicant, the connection and value of the required course in relation to the applicants present or future job.

A significant step is the fact that the individual IPA member is applying for the Scholarship and not the section.

A trial for a system on selecting candidates for awarding an AT Scholarship will be used parallel to the present procedure. If this proves to be more effective and transparent it will be implemented in the Rules and put before the IEC in Germany.

The AT procedure has been restructured to create a clearer oversight of specific details and information. The various articles, to make these changes possible, have been revised and are subject to the PEB motion for this Congress.

We also realize and accept that improving the procedure and process is a continuous process. It will always be subject to change because of experience and best practice.

Reading the IPC reports, we identified that in particular sections from outside Europe are finding it (financially) difficult to take part in Gimborn seminars.

The improvement of the ATS procedure and letting go of the maximum number of participants, but keeping within the same budget, will create more places for members to not only take part in Gimborn but to expand the ATS to neighbouring academies, education centres and symposiums to attend.

The motion concerning the AT Scholarship, the proposed changes and restructuring of the procedure and form, will create more flexibility and allow more members to participate,

Asian Pacific Forum:

The IPC intends to initiate an Asia Pacific Forum. This group would have multiple purposes. The primary purpose and goal being internships and professional development courses for IPA members (this already occurs with Singapore) and other Malaysian Countries that are not yet members of the IPA. There have already been informal discussions with some key sections that share a similar view regarding recruitment, education and participation of the countries in the Asia Pacific Region.

This is a medium to long term project but with the sections that have already indicated their willingness to participate, we believe it will be successful and will grow in strength and provide quality educational experience.

The secondary purpose and goal being recruitment of new sections and increasing overall membership as a result of these events. The Asia Pacific Region is drastically underrepresented within the IPA fraternity.

We intend to activate and work on the following actions including specific questions:

- Recruiting more sections.
- Japan, Hong Kong, Macau, New Zealand and Australia (Asian Pacific) to gather informally at Copenhagen.
- Discuss and evaluate mutual subjects and interests.
- Where courses exist, what developments are there?
- Is there scope or a good working relationship?
- From existing exchanges create sponsorship sections.

Goal: Create and initiate the work and establish another 3 to 5 sections..

An informal meeting with the involved sections will be held during this conference.

Coppra:

The COPPPRA project (**C**OMMUNITY Policing and **P**REVENTION of **R**ADICALISATION) started during the Belgian EU Presidency 2010 and was set up to develop tools to prevent terrorist acts, through the early detection of possible signs of radicalisation.

It is the result of the cooperation between 11 EU Member States and the Belgian integrated police was leader of the Coppra project. The project was funded by the European Commission through ISEC.

We also see a change from groups and organisations to individual acts that may or may not be related directly or indirectly to terrorism. In her IPC report, Moldavia has expressed to look at the topic Countering terrorism in any form of expression.

A presentation for the IEC Copenhagen was initiated by the IPC and supported by Rob Out, Commissioner of Police and currently member of the ERC. He and Commissioner JP Devos, who is the Project manager CoPPRa and Commissioner of the Federal Police Belgium will be presenting this topic during this week.

A train the trainer course shall be an International seminar in Gimborn in 2014. Sections are invited to show interest and promote this one opportunity only within their own communication network.

Information about CoPPRa will be available during this IEC. The course is specifically intended for officers involved and active in training and teaching. They will receive a qualified trainer's certificate and be validated to train their officers and students on this specific subject.

Peacekeeping missions:

For many years officers from all over the world are involved in and sent on (peacekeeping) missions. It being Afghanistan, Kosovo, Cyprus, Timor or Sudan. This subject has been in a Gimborn seminar for a few times now.

However, the selection and training of these officers require a specific and specialist approach and method.

There is diversity in the World and a lot of best practice available. The IPC has initiated an International Seminar to be held in Gimborn in the 2nd half of 2014. Its target group is to invite officers from all over the world that are involved with recruiting and selection of these officers. To share best practice, discover different approaches and survey the field of expertise.

IPC meeting Australia:

The IPC met in Australia from 24th-29th April 2013. The timing of the meeting enabled IPC members to meet the 60 participants of the 2nd IPA World Seminar for young police officers.

Topics on the agenda were:

- The work program for the IPC 2012-2015
- The Arthur Troop Scholarship, structure, process and Rules.
Result: Motion for change and progress is on the table
Pending PEB decision in Brazil.
- A new promotion folder.
Result: Will be printed and become available. The digital version will be on the website.
Pending PEB decision and choice in Brazil.
- A promotional Film/DVD for recruiting and highlighting our Association
Result: PEB has decided to develop this as soon as possible. All footage will and shall be used to make this new film. The ISC and ICC chairs have expressed their views in the Brazil meeting and were invited with their input. It is however obvious that this must be a film with a professional standard and input. As IPA promotion it has been long due and needs to be developed as soon as possible, being the reason that PEB has decided to start development and ask the IPC (member Kevin Gordon) to continue on this project.
Pending decision by PEB Brazil.
- History Document of the IPA in PDF file....
Result. The discussion on this topic in Brazil has resulted in the PEB decision to..... (**Pending PEB decision**)
- An Asian/Australia forum
Result. IPC will initiate further steps to develop internship and professional development courses. Also contacts and network will be intensified for recruitment of new sections in the Asian Pacific region. PEB has received a proposal from Malaysia to hold a forum in 2013. The course is set to have this forum in 2015. Informal talks and a meeting are being held during this IEC. It is the intention to prepare a motion to this extent, which will be ready at the IEC in 2014 Germany. **PEB decision Brazil**

- Police Placement Program
Result: IPC wil initiate further steps as mentioned.
- Future World Seminars for young police officers
Result: A guideline for Sections will be drafted and set up as a result of evaluation of the first two seminars in The Netherlands and Australia. This will be a PEB proposal for the IEC 2014.
- Bibliography of police works
Result:PEB to decide on Brazil
- New IPC form.
Result: New Form for 2013 wil be available from 1-1-2014.

IPC facebook page:

The IPC meeting in Australia discussed an IPC facebook page. IPC member Kevin Gordon has been in touch since then and has been asked to initiate this. He has taken this upon one of his tasks and IPC have now their own FB page that it followed and edited by Kevin.

Résumé:

This report reflects and states what the IPC has initiated and achieved up to now in our first year term within 2012-2015.

We are pleased with the enormous amount of activities that are initiated, organised and performed by many sections, not only in relation to our professional occupation but including all social, cultural activities and external relations.

We also promote the integration of issues that are connected to more than one commission.

I want to thank my fellow members of the IPC, for the good and hard work they have performed and shown throughout our first year. We will continue to work for the benefit of our Association as best we can and hope that we can rely on the confidence and trust of the sections, that (sections that or sections which) have put this on us.

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