



INTERNATIONAL POLICE ASSOCIATION (IPA) NEWSLETTER

IPA ICELAND - ON PATROL EVENT



From 18th March 2024, IPA Iceland hosted an “On Patrol” event for European participants. Read more on page 3

PLANT A TREE - GREEN IPA

Read about the Socio-Cultural Commissions new initiative to promote sustainability.

Get involved by planting trees for Earth Day between 14-22 April 2024.

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WORD OF INTRODUCTION

CHAIRPERSON SOCIO-CULTURAL COMMISSION

CHRISTOS PARGINOS



Dear IPA friends,

Having friends from all over the globe gives you a deeper understanding of the world we live in. It's been already some months since the 66th World Congress and it seems like yesterday. It will remain an unforgettable memory, having meetings with so many friends and living with them through unique experiences.

I am delighted to be part of the International Executive Board and appreciate the huge responsibility. Being the Chairperson of the Socio-Cultural Commission is a big challenge since you have multiple tasks to coordinate, and furthermore many goals to achieve. However, I'm not alone, since we have a great team in our Executive Board under the leadership of our International President Martin Hoffmann. Furthermore I'm very optimistic about the future, working with my new partners and all of the members of the different project working groups of the Socio-Cultural Commission.

Diversity will make us more creative and innovative and I'm confident that we will all positively contribute to the development of our Association.

Working on our strategy for 2024-2027 there have been new projects identified for the Socio-Cultural commission including Sports, Travel, Art and Culture and Green IPA. All of the projects are very popular among our members and thousands of them are involved.

I would like to encourage each one of you as individuals, and as Sections to be part of these projects because you are the ones responsible for shaping our future.

Starting with the most recent one, I would like to highlight that IPA GAMES 2024 will take place in Brasov, Romania from 19-24 May 2024 with the participation of hundreds of members from different countries.

Additionally, a variety of events and actions will take place in the early future.

I can ensure you that all of us are passionate with our work and will try to respond by giving our best. My intention, with your support, is to make IPA more visible and recognisable among our members and to the society. We deserve better and we can do it better, all together!

To conclude, I'll use a Socrates quote about friendship. "There is no possession more valuable than a good and faithful friend."

Christos Parginos

IEB Chairperson Socio - Cultural Commission

IPA ICELAND - ON PATROL EVENT

Read about the “On Patrol” event hosted in Section Iceland by President Baldur Olafsson.



I remember having a conversation with Philipp Kurz of Section Germany a few years ago about the “on patrol” events that had been hosted by a few Sections in Europe. He suggested that Section Iceland should give it a try and advised it didn't have to be a huge event. Some time passed and I had a conversation with Einar and our board and we started making some plans.

We decided that this would be an “invitational” event so we could better fit this within our capacity and control the number of participants. After some discussion with the Sections involved, the final version was put out for application.

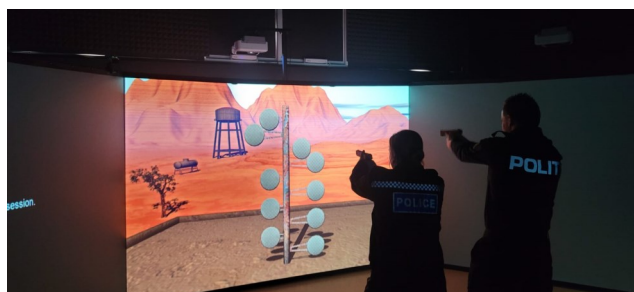
Heini and Kristiina from **Finland**, Anthony and Liam from **Ireland**, Christine and Jon from the **UK**, Trine and Sandra from **Denmark** and Thomas from **Norway**, were selected from their respective Sections and made the trip to Iceland.

For the past few years we have tried to make the most out of the week leading up to our annual national meeting which is held on a Friday at the end of March each year. We had already invited a guest speaker, Roy McComb, and made his presentation a part of the “on patrol” event.

Participants arrived on Monday and Tuesday (18-19 March) and myself and members of our board took care of airport transfers. We had an informal gathering on Tuesday night to go over the programme for the upcoming days. We had developed a two full day programme for Wednesday and Thursday. Friday we had allocated for Roy's presentation and the party following our national meeting.

The programme consisted of a “ridealong” with the patrol division, presentations from crime scene investigation, Civil Protection and the dispatch centre and special intervention unit. There was also a visit to the Icelandic Police Training Centre where participants underwent training in the shooting simulator and our board member Friðjón (Fiji) did some self defence training.

We also received a surprise presentation from a member of the Iceland Search and Rescue Team (ICE-SAR) that covered information about the volcanic eruptions in the Reykjanes peninsula and what ICE-SAR members have been dealing with during the past 3-4 years.



IPA ICELAND - ON PATROL EVENT



For Thursday night we had made dinner reservations for the group and Roy, plus a few members of our board. We had a nice dinner and then people explored the downtown scenery with a pint or two.

Friday started early with Roy talking about transnational organised crime. In attendance were approximately 60 police officers of all ranks plus representatives of the Ministry of Justice and prosecutors within the police departments. After that the team had free time.

As I have probably mentioned in some informal gatherings at previous World Congresses we brag about meetings not exceeding 30 minutes. At this meeting we had a fairly regular programme. To start with we take a moment to remember those that have passed away. That is followed by the presidents report. That then takes us to the accounts and then its time for elections. There were a total of ten positions with ten candidates present. This was the first time we vote in a board for a 3 year term. The levy stayed the same. We had a lottery and are inviting two members to joins us at the World Congress. For this we use our Friendship Fund that was initiated by former Sec.General Árni Pálsson, a great initiative by Árni that we have secured in our statutes. We have also adjusted the statutes so if we decide to increase the levy, the portion that goes to the fund will also increase.

The meeting lasted 19 minutes and a few seconds!

The venue was the same for the fourth year in a row. We have had a great cooperation with the owners so no need to fix something that isn't broken. Attendance was in excess of 150 people and this was a great ending of the week and first "Iceland on Patrol."

Section Iceland is very thankful for a great cooperation with the Reykjavik Metropolitan Police and the National Police Commissioner, as well as the many heads of various departments that we have gotten access to with our guests. I hope this will continue well into the future.

To close, I have to give a very special thank you to our participants in our first "on patrol" event. They were great representatives of their Section and have made themselves a part of Section Iceland history.

Best wishes to all and be safe

Baldur Olafsson

President

Section Iceland



IPA GERMANY - ENFORCE TAC 2024 TRADE FAIR

Enforce Tac 2024 trade fair in Nuremberg



For the second time, IPA Germany was represented with a stand at the Enforce Tac trade fair in Nuremberg. With the support of IBZ Schloss Gimborn, IPA Munich and IPA Nuremberg, we were present and visible on site from 26th to 28th February.

The exhibition stand was not only well attended by IPA friends from Germany. Guests from Belgium, Estonia, France, Great Britain, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Austria, Poland, Romania, Sweden, Switzerland, Slovenia, Slovakia, Hungary and even the USA visited our stand and informed themselves about current IPA offers and the new seminar programme of the IBZ Schloss Gimborn.

Many colleagues were curious about the unique opportunities in our network and decided to become members. We received almost 30 membership applications for six different national groups.

Our presence at the trade fair was not only covered on our own social media channels, but the trade fair's social media team also came along with their camera team to find out more about the International Police Association.

From everyone's point of view, our presence at the trade fair was a complete success and we are looking forward to Enforce Tac 24th until 26th February 2025. Hopefully we can be there again then.



Philipp Kurz
IPA Germany



IPA BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA - INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

International women's day marked in the Regional club International police associations Counties West Herzegovina , Grude, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Regional club IPA County Western Herzegovina organised the gathering of members on the occasion of March 8 International Women's Day in the beautiful atmosphere Agritourism " Marica Gaj" in Grude.

Guided by ours Esperanto with the slogan "Servo per Amikeco" and with the goal of raising awareness of the importance of the preservation of mental health and health anxiety, through the project "Care of the mental to health." IPA ŽZH implements the project with benefits of raising awareness of women and their role in society as daughter, mother, wife, sister or business associate. Antonija Bubalo presented his work as leaders project "PosloZena" and work in the Counseling Centre for famlies in Ljubuški, and the topic was "Relationships and setting borders".

Although some experiences are stressful in our business and private life, there are a numerous reasons for this and they depend on us and the situations in which we find ourselves.

Long-term exposure to stressful, challenging situations or business tasks can cause mental and physical exhaustion and these are just some of the triggers that contribute to the "burnout" syndrome.

Setting borders and the importance of borders in relations with others, allow us to communicate our needs, values and attitudes in full contrast with the

person across the street, explained Mrs Bubalo.

To live a quality of life where you take care of your own needs and in conditions, and are able

to achieve good relationships with others, it is necessary to set borders.

Mrs Bubalo thanked each participant for their actions and interaction during this interesting lecture.

At the end, President of the RK IPA ŽZH Mr. Damir Pandžić, took advantage of the occasion and congratulated members celebrating March 8 International Women's Day. Appropriate donated gifts were made to friends of TP " Drinovci", and he continued that he hopes that he will be able to work with this project and encourage the continued socialising in years to come.

IPA Bosnia & Herzegovina



IPA ITALY - 2ND NATIONAL MEETING



The 2nd National Meeting of the IPA in Campobasso, Italy

The 2nd I.P.A. National Meeting was a success, held in Campobasso at the end of last September with good participation from members, local managers and delegations. It was a good opportunity for the deputy president Alfredo Iasuozi to visit the "Giulio Rivera" State Police Student Agents School in the Molise capital, accompanied by the general secretary Milco Cipullo, the president of the XIX Molise Delegation Eros Galassi, and the deputy the secretary Vincenzo Robusto, as well as Alfredo Cagnazzo of the Giulianova Committee.

Waiting for the IPA managers was the Director of the School Giovanni Nunziata with the First Manager Giuseppina Pedicini.

The opening of the Meeting took place in the Congress Hall of the Centrum Palace Hotel, with the deputy president Iasuozi doing the honours. Iasuozi, after asking for a minute's silence to commemorate the late Nicolino Di Michele, former vice-president of the Molise delegation, wanted to underline the particular attention dedicated by the Central Executive to the organisation of the second edition of the Meeting, aimed at generating and developing new opportunities and useful meetings to resolve any divisions and difficulties, through comparisons and open discussions between members aimed at the common objective: The growth of our Association.

Pezzone's call to evolve in stepping with the times, addressed to new and old members, appeared strong, driven by rapid technological changes so as not to risk being left behind.

This was then followed by the speech of the Secretary General Milco Cipullo.

The appeal of the President of the Arbitrators, Antonio La Scala, was also heartfelt, aimed at encouraging behaviour among members based on the utmost respect for each and everyone.

In the words of the auditor Salvatore D'Elgidio, a prompt reminder also in this case, for greater punctuality in the compilation of the expected budgets.

The president of the Lombardy Delegation Domenico Faretra, accompanied by the vice president Luigi Credentino and the secretary Vincenzo Perotti, presented some proposals, including the dissemination among IPA members and members of the police forces, of the learning system to know the "The Language of lies" among the most diverse areas of the security sector. Meetings that the aforementioned Delegation has already tested via online connections on the zoom platform, receiving widespread approval. The psychologist Antonio Luce, who has long been dealing with external behaviours and manipulation of language by offenders, spoke with the members connected online. Subsequently, Faretra also suggested creating within the IPA-Italia magazine and in the spaces dedicated to the Delegations, "L'angolo della Cultura", a space that would allow the contributions of expert Associates to be published.



IPA SPAIN YOUTH VACATION JULY 2024

IPA Spain, on behalf of its IPA Madrid region, invites you to participate in:

IPA24 HOLIDAYS! FOR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN OF IPA MEMBERS

Young people between 12 and 17 years old will be able to live a unique experience sharing, alongside others, 10 days of nature, friends, laughter and adventure.

If you are interested and want more information, email:

secretaria@ipamadrid.es

Pre-registration at: <https://tinyurl.com/ym6e8qto>

Or visit the international website:

[IPA - Upcoming Events \(ipa-international.org\)](http://ipa-international.org)

IPA ITALY - 2ND NATIONAL MEETING

The IPA manager Lombardo then concluded the speech by illustrating two different commercial offers, the first concerning a WEBAPP for the FF.OO. with the “La Tribuna” publishing house of Piacenza which provides an online subscription lasting 12 months from activation for access to the current regulatory database which can be consulted on the PC. and devices via web browser access. The second commercial offer concerned the University Training Institute for enrollment in university courses at the University and Campus with the reserve of a 50-60% discount for interested IPA Associates.

Carlo Figliomeni, president of the Calabria Delegation, then took the floor and expressed feelings of approval for the great opportunity for meeting and friendship that the meeting offers and for the fact that we met for the second consecutive year, and this can be a good encouragement to continue in the same direction.

Finally, the excellent organisers of the XIX Molise Delegation organised a gala dinner in honour of the event, led by President Eros Galassi, to seal the second national event.

Mauro Nardella
IPA Italia



WOMEN IN IPA #sheisipa WEBINAR

Don't forget about the free webinar that will take place on Wednesday, 17 April 2024.

First in the series, #sheisipa, explores the world of women in policing starting with Kim Hiorth, a retired Norwegian police officer. Kim will talk about her amazing pioneering work among the female minority/indigenous population in Oslo, Norway. Gender equality, equal rights, education, and freedom for all is her mission.

[Register here](#)

IPA KENYA - NATIONAL CONFERENCE, NAIROBI

IPA Section Kenya Members Gather in Nairobi For The National Congress

The International Police Association, Kenya Section gathered for the Annual General Meeting on Friday 23rd February 2024 from 0900-1500hrs at the Lions SightFirst Eye Hospital Auditorium in Loresho, Nairobi.

Arriving from all eight Regions of Section Kenya, the more than 100 members were first offered free medical checks including visual acuity tests, blood pressure, tonometry, and blood sugar tests at the comprehensive eye care facility.

Before he made his address, Section Kenya president, Mr. Alfred Osur led the members in remembering the fallen heroes of Section Kenya, saying, "I wish to invite you to observe a minute of silence in commemoration of our departed colleagues, notably our former 1st Vice President, the late Mr. Patrick Wandare and Former Chairman of IPA Coast Region, the late Mr. Hudson Kere. We remember these two fallen colleagues for their faithful service to IPA Section Kenya and their true friendship with each one of us. May their Souls Rest in Eternal Peace.

He then highlighted the achievements of the previous year saying, "The last year was particularly eventful. We were able to assist many of our members in need, especially bereavement. This is a good spirit and should be encouraged."



Delegates following the proceedings

Some of the notable achievements in the previous year were: IPA Section Kenya Hosted 20 IPA visitors from Poland; a nationwide tree planting exercise; Donation of foodstuff and clothing to various children's homes across the country; and shooting competitions.

The Chief guest, Dr. Rizwana Peerbhoy, the General Manager of the Lions SightFirst Eye Hospital praised the healthy cooperation between IPA Section Kenya and the Eye Hospital saying, "We value the friendship between our two organisations because it is founded on mutual trust and common understanding; that of satisfying the immediate and urgent societal needs. This year, we are going to work together to provide free medical camps for our officers."

SUGGESTED CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024

1. Hiking event - March
2. IPA Shooting Competitions – April
3. Annual Tree Planting – April/May
4. Attendance of Ipa Games In Romania in May
5. Visiting Children's Home - Quarterly
6. School Visits – June & September
7. Training Seminar – July
8. Joint Medical Camps with Lions Eye Hospital–August
9. Recruitment and Sensitization Drive - Continuous
10. Sports Week- September
11. IPA Kenya International Friendship Week- October
12. End-Year Party (Annual Dinner) –November

Jared Ojuok Secretary General—IPA Kenya



The Chief guest, Dr. Rizwana Peerbhoy addressing the delegates during the National Congress

The President then addressed the members. "Dear IPA Friends, I take this opportunity to welcome you all to the 2024 AGM. This day is always special in our calendar of events. I appreciate each one's commitment to our Motto: Friendship. I want to call upon each one of us to be good friends, both in good and bad times, that way, we shall have the warmth of friendship."

IPA USA - IPI INTERNSHIP CITY OF MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT



The radio emits a long, high-pitched beep. Every colleague stops and listens. Twenty shots have just been heard in a neighbourhood. The "Shot Spotter" detected them and automatically forwarded an operation to the relevant department. Every free patrol drives to the scene, also the PST - the Problem Solving Team...

We are very proud that we were able to admit one of the best police internship programmes in the entire US during our study at the University of Applied Sciences for the Civil Service in Bavaria. After an extensive time of communication effort we succeeded in all steps of organisations and flew at the end of October 23 to Miami to start finally with the internship. Our schedule was amazing adjusted by Rachel. We were even able to switch stations on the schedule short termed.

We were truly impressed by the outstanding kindness shown to us by all of the Miami PD personnel. During our time we were able to take part in ride-alongs in the Northern District and Central. Furthermore we shadowed in the units Homicide, CSI, Marine Patrol, Real Time Crime Centre, Communication Desk (Operations Centre), Special Intelligence Section Sovereign Citizens, Bomb Squad, Violent Crime Detail Assaults, SIS Narcotics/ Gangs and the ADAPT Firearms (yearly class for the officers) and SWAT team.

You can imagine that our colleagues are confronted with more violence and weapons offences in their daily work than we are used to in Germany. This is reflected in the approach and implementation of traffic controls, for example. The probability of every driver carrying a firearm is relatively high. Accordingly, the scenarios are also held during operational training in order to ensure the highest possible level of personal safety. We were able to train this in person and also in a kind of virtual reality training, in the so-called MEGGIT (live-fire and virtual weapons training solutions for military and law enforcement).

In addition to the business aspects, our colleagues showed us beautiful restaurants and landmarks, some of which we visited together.

We had intense conversations and were able to share not only patches, but also interesting information and comparisons about the police service. We were able to get to know a variety of units and make direct comparisons not only with the way they work, but also with other police options. Did you know that there is a Mounted Patrol with several horses in Miami?



We were and still are very grateful that we were able to experience not only this police work, but also the way we were treated. Many thanks also to IPA, Southern Florida, Region 43 President Jerry Rudoff and Vice President Rich Samolowicz USA and IPA Germany,

without whom the internship would not have been possible.

Take care, best regards

Tabea, Lukas & Manu
IPA Germany Officers

GREEN IPA - SOCIO-CULTURAL COMMISSION

Due to environmental changes, we see there is a greater move within society towards sustainability and offsetting our carbon footprints.

As part of the 2023-2027 strategy for the IPA, the IEB made a commitment that as a global organisation, we will integrate sustainable practices into all our activities, aligning our operations with global efforts to protect the environment.

The Green IPA Project aims to:

- Contribute to combat climate change
- Work towards creating a safer, more sustainable world for everyone
- Engage with external stakeholders to collaborate on mutual goals
- Educate our members on the importance of environmental sustainability

Led by the IEB Chairperson, Christos Parginos, a project team has recently been implemented to help develop the initiatives and delivery of this important part of our strategy. Team members include:

- Biljana Dulovic (Montenegro) - Project Lead
- Jared Ojuok (Kenya)
- Asim Ali (Pakistan)
- Dierdre Mahony (UK)

Plant a Tree - Green IPA



April 22 is Earth Day. In celebration of this day the Socio-Cultural Commission Green IPA Project team is organising a global event "PLANT a TREE- GREEN IPA" to promote this project globally to local communities, schools/colleges, and at the same time bring our colleagues, their families, and friends together to participate in tree planting.

The idea is for all IPA members around the world to plant at least one tree in their regions, in partnership with governmental and non-governmental organisations on a scale determined by individual Sections/Regions.

The motto of the event will be: "PLANT a TREE- GREEN IPA"

There is no limit to the number of tree seedlings you should plant, we encourage you to plant as many as you can! However, every Section/Region should set a target to achieve.

As part of the event, we propose that sections arrange to partner with schools, and local communities to provide the labour and for the long-term sustainability of the projects.

The event will take place all over the world (in all 68 IPA Sections) during the week commencing **14 April 2024** until Monday **22 April 2024**.

Sections may print merchandise to support the event such as t-shirts, banners, badges, or any other promotional items, using the new IPA logo and the motto "PLANT a TREE-GREEN IPA"

Sections should print the motto in English and may also print in their own language if they wish.

Please share your photos and videos of the event by email to SCC as we will be creating a beautiful video, to be presented during the World Congress in Ohrid, North Macedonia.

Please also provide us with the following details:

- Number of members who participated
- Number of trees planted
- Local organisations/groups that participated/supported

Two members of the Section that planted the most seedlings will be rewarded with a three-day stay in Montenegro, the first ecological country in the world, at the five-star Hotel Splendid.

Special recognition will be awarded to sections with the greatest number of participants.

Let's come together to make the world greener while promoting the ideals and values of IPA.

Please send your reviews, photos, and videos (via we transfer) to: greenipaproject@gmail.com before 15 June 2024.

IPA MOLDOVA - FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

UAE SWAT CHALLENGE—DUBAI

Between February 3-7 2024, 7 protection officers from the State Protection and Guard Service, 3 of whom are members of the International Police Association - Republic of Moldova Section participated in the most renowned international competition - UAE SWAT Challenge, in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, alongside another 72 special intervention teams from over 40 countries around the world. The protection officers from the Republic of Moldova ranked 31st out of the 73 participating teams in the general ranking.



Links :<https://fb.watch/qCzsVdh0CG/> <https://fb.watch/qCzsa0lc6/> <https://fb.watch/qCzrdF5JuK/> <https://fb.watch/qCzqb1pFZm/> <https://fb.watch/qCzcstvo8Q/> <https://fb.watch/qCzcstvo8Q/>

IPA SRI LANKA - 50th ANNIVERSARY FRIENDSHIP TOUR 2024

IPA Sri Lanka have extended the final registration date until 20th April, 2024 and the final payment date to 15th May 2024.

IPA Sri Lanka invite you to join their 50th anniversary friendship tour from 28 August 2024 - 3 September 2024.

You will have the opportunity to visit this tropical island, in southern Asia and experience the culture of Sri Lanka.

Watch the video here to find out more: [fw 2024..mp4 - Google Drive](#)

Please click here to view the [Programme](#).

To register, please complete the registration form and email to ipasrilanka2@gmail.com.

[Registration Form](#)



IPA MOLDOVA - FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES



Between February 8 and 11, 2024, at the Cheile Gradiștei Complex in Romania, initiated by the National Executive Committee of the International Police Association (IPA) - Republic of Moldova Section, the Meeting of the Executive Committees of the Romanian and Republic of Moldova Sections of the International Police Association was held. During the meeting, various matters of common interest related to the activities of both sections were discussed, such as:

- the organisation and holding of an international practical-scientific conference by IPA Republic of Moldova with the support of IPA Romania on the tactics and methodology of investigating cybercrime, with the invitation of a group of experts from the European Union countries, including from IBZ Gimborn;
- establishing a communication channel between IPA Romania and IPA Republic of Moldova regarding the exchange of delegations to enhance the efficiency of these visits: organising and carrying out joint activities regarding the provision of humanitarian aid to children from the families of IPA Ukraine members, where one of the parents died as a result of the undeclared war by the Russian Federation against Ukraine;
- examination of the possibilities by IPA Romania with reference to extending the provision of balneary and health assistance to for IPA members from the Republic of Moldova, who suffered during the performance of their duties, including during the war for the independence of the Republic of Moldova in 1992;

- organising and participating together in the works of the Regional Conference of the IPA national sections of the Balkan states, scheduled for October 2024 in the city of Sighetul Marmăției, Romania;
- organising and conducting the joint meetings of the Executive Committees of IPA Romania and the Republic of Moldova annually, on a rotational basis both in Romania and in the Republic of Moldova;
- organising joint activities to promote tourism culture with elements of national culture, traditions and customs.

Additionally, the host of the meeting organised several tourist visits for the guests from the Republic of Moldova to local sightseeing, including the Cheile Gradiștei Complex, Bran city, the Bran Castle, the rustic church, the Black Church, the old center of Brașov, Sfaturui Square, Făgăraș Citadel, Bucium Monastery, Ohaba Water Mill, Ursitelor Temple and Transilvania Amphitheater.

The atmosphere during the meeting was described as friendly, welcoming, and spiritually uplifting.

Link:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/7aLBFshemqasasoDr/?mibextid=oFDknk>



IPA Moldova

IPA MONTENEGRO - MIMOSA FESTIVAL

Mimosa Festival in Herceg Novi, Montenegro



In February, IPA Section Montenegro-Region South organised international meetings of IPA members on the occasion of the Mimosa Festival in Herceg Novi. Mimosa Festival is a traditional tourism-promoting ceremony honouring mimosa flower, one of the most significant and long-standing festivals in our region. It was established in 1969 by Tourism Alliance of Boka Bay and the Herceg Novi Municipality. The Festival comprises a wide array of programmes with the most attractive ones being: carnival parades, costume parties for children and adults, Mimosa, Fish and Wine Festivities, the International Flower Exhibition and promenade concerts of brass orchestras and majorettes. For a half a century, this festival has become the pride of locals who wish to welcome to spring and people of good will, who will find a warm welcome in Herceg Novi all year round.

Mimosa flower which blossoms and defies winter, transforming the whole coast of Herceg Novi into a splendid garden, is a symbol of the festival and winter tourism of Boka Bay and Montenegrin coastline.

This event was attended by members and friends from the Sections: Serbia, Macedonia, BiH, Croatia and Bulgaria. About 170 guests gathered at the final dinner, during which representatives of the South Region signed 5 agreements on cooperation with colleagues from the region.

Dragomir Pejovic

Secretary of the South Region
IPA Montenegro



IPA LITHUANIA - 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE IPA LITHUANIAN SECTION

IPA Lithuania invites you to celebrate their 30th anniversary to be held in Vilnius from 21 to 23 June 2024.

The meeting will take place on Friday 21st June and Excursion to Trakai Castle and Lithuanian Police Museum will take place on Saturday followed by a gala dinner.

To register, click here: [2024 30th IPA Registration Form \(ipa-international.org\)](https://ipa-international.org/2024-30th-IPA-Registration-Form)

More information can also be found on our website: [IPA - Upcoming Events \(ipa-international.org\)](https://ipa-international.org/Upcoming-Events)

IPA ROMANIA - IPA GAMES ORGANISING COMMITTEE



pistol shooting, chess and running 5,000.

The first meeting of the sport project group had as the main topic on the agenda this event, but also what are the most appropriate measures and means to create an effective visibility of the IPA Games.

Christos Parginos underlined that everybody has to bring his own contribution and in the end to deliver as a team, starting with this may.

Sport always was and it will always be an extraordinary ambassador for any country, for any socio-professional category, a fabulous binder and a beautiful way of communication that combines passion, fair play and a healthy lifestyle.

IPA Games is the biggest project developed worldwide bringing together police officers from so many countries. This year, between 19 and 24 of May the 3rd edition of the IPA Games is organised in Romania, one of the largest National Sections, but also a land of wonderful fairy tales and legends.

Located right in the heart of the country, in Braşov county, the location chosen for the 9 competitions offers all the conditions to spend an unforgettable week. Of course, organising this event raised a lot of challenges, so the representatives of the host country, together with the chairman of the Socio-Cultural Commission had to work on every detail to make sure that the activity will be reflected to a great level.

We had already meetings with the local authorities, with the people in charge with each discipline: football, volleyball, table tennis, biatlon, basketball, judo, 9MM

Of course, not only the sports programme represented a property for the organising group: The social component is essential because even in this context, sport remains only a way to bring people together from all over the world. Trips for free days, SPA, adventures are just a few hints for the people who decided to join this experience.



IPA ROMANIA - IPA GAMES ORGANISING COMMITTEE

The home of IPA Games 2024 is Brasov, in Cheile Gradistei Resort & SPA, 19-24 May 2024: one sport base, 3 swimming pools, 22 hotels & villas, 650 parking spaces, 10 sports fields 3 SPA Centers, 16 event halls, 5 pubs & restaurants and more then 50 sports and leisure activities for the entire family. The location is near by the Bran Castle and Rasnov Fortress.



I would like to thank Christos Parginos and the members of the organising committee Cătălin-Ştefan Bălteanu, Ion Melinte and Marius Mureşan for their hard work until now!

We are convinced that this activity represents a new step in this process of restoring the brilliance of the IPA

brand, of recalibrating our organisation regarding the needs and the expectations of our people.

Mihai-Liviu Tărtăreanu

President of IPA ROMANIA

IPA BARCELONA - POLICE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT & SUPERFUN WEEK

IPA Barcelona present police football tournament and IPA superfun week from October 7 to 11, 2024, which combines and includes, the following:

International Police football 7-a-side tournament

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Barcelona Oktober fest (Beer Festival & Party)

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" Barcelona by Night " at Disco Club PACHA Barcelona

More information can be found in the attached brochure or on the website

www.barcelonaipacup.com




CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 IPA Netherlands - Lowlands on patrol
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22	23	24 IPA Bulgaria - IPA Management Academy	25 IPA Bulgaria - IPA Management Academy IPA Switzerland - North European Forum 2024	26 IPA Bulgaria - IPA Management Academy IPA Switzerland - North European Forum 2024	27 IPA Bulgaria - IPA Management Academy IPA Switzerland - North European Forum 2024	28 IPA Bulgaria - IPA Management Academy IPA Switzerland - North European Forum 2024
29	30					

GIMBORN SEMINARS APRIL 2024

24 10	08.04.–12.04.	■	Violences subies par les forces de l'ordre		495 €	IPA 365 €
24 11	15.04.–19.04.	■	Strafraum Internet – Polizeiliche Ermittlungen im virtuellen Hotspot		495 €	IPA 365 €
24 12	22.04.–25.04.	■	Aktiv in den Ruhestand		495 €	IPA 365 €
24 13	26.04.–28.04.	■	Motorradkultur und Sicherheit – Training für verantwortungsbewusstes Motorradfahren		365 €	IPA 295 €
24 14	29.04.–30.04.	■	Überbringung von Todesbenachrichtigungen		365 €	IPA 295 €

You can find a copy of the programme on our website: [IBZ-Seminarprogramm-2024.pdf \(ipa-international.org\)](#)

The programme has been tailored to the requirements of the International Police Community.

MARKETING

Social Media Photo Campaign

Please be reminded of the topics for the coming months of the Photo campaign. Sections are encouraged to continue to send content to be shared via our social media channels.

- APRIL – IPA Houses / accommodation
- MAY – IPA Publications / Archives
- JUNE – Environmental / CSR in line with our mission to become more sustainable and to coincide with World Environmental Day 5th June 2024

Photos and videos should be sent to iac@ieb-ipa.org. Please ensure you have the permissions to use any images submitted.

Marketing Project Team

We are delighted to confirm we have recently established an internal marketing team for the IPA. Led by IEB Vice President Mick Walsh, with the assistance of the IAC: Hana & Lisa. The first marketing meeting took place during March. Look out for further communications and the development of a marketing strategy in the near future.

Meet the Team

- Kees Jongh (Netherlands)
- Konstantinos Bouklis (Greece)
- Raphael Hermann (Switzerland)
- Sibel Gaicki (Germany)
- Stephen Omondi Okong'o (Kenya)

