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## IPA Newsletter

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## Season's Greetings!



We wish all IPA Newsletter readers a most wonderful time!

# WORD OF INTRODUCTION

Dear friends,

The last newsletter of the year! Already! And almost time to close the 2018 books.

When you mention that the end of the year is getting close, you receive many different comments in return, such as: 'May the next year come fast'; 'I don't like Christmas time'; 'I am happy to leave this year behind'; or 'I hope that next year will be better'.

I don't know why, but it seems to me that we always hear more negative than positive comments when approaching this time of the year. Not for me to judge though.

Personally, I think that everything is going too fast, and that time is definitely getting shorter and harder to seize, like a hare that we run after trying to catch! With the added disadvantage that when getting older, we can't run as fast anymore, and the hare seems to accelerate ☺. What a contradiction!

In any case, reaching the end of 2018 gives me the opportunity to deliver three messages:

- Thank you to all of you for giving so much of your time, energy, motivation and ideas to our Association in 2018. The calendar of events proved once more that the IPA is alive and active in so many parts of the world. With so many successful events and projects gathering us all, we can rest assured that the IPA is developing in the true spirit of friendship.
- Merry Christmas to all of you who celebrate it, and best wishes for the holidays. If you are able to, stop for a few days and take the opportunity to gather and enjoy spending time with the people you love.
- Finally, my sincere wishes of sympathy and courage to all our members who are suffering from illness or pain of any kind, those who have lost a loved one this year, or who are experiencing the grief of separation or the suffering of someone else. May this special time of the year and the spirit of Christmas be a balm to soothe your wounds, as deep and painful as they may be.

Best wishes to you all, and thank you for believing in the ideals of the IPA.

Servo per Amikeco

***Pierre-Martin Moulin, IPA President***

# AROUND THE WORLD

## International Youth Gathering 2019 Join us for 2 weeks in Croatia – the Land of Friendship!

It is with great pleasure that IPA Section Croatia is organising next year's International Youth Gathering 2019 from 3-17 August 2019.

We look forward very much to receiving applications from many IPA sections around the world. Every year young people from across the globe - children and grandchildren of IPA members, are invited to visit another country and participate in an unforgettable event - the IPA's International Youth Gathering (IYG).

For the participants it is an opportunity to experience travelling to another country and meeting people of a similar age from different cultures and backgrounds, whilst gaining a deeper knowledge of the history, social character, nature and family life of the hosting country.

Participation in the programme is open to the children or grandchildren of current IPA members. IYG participants must have reached their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday, but not have exceeded their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday at the start of the IYG. There are a maximum of 50 spaces available, and sections are invited to send up to 2 applications which will be dealt with on a first-come-first-serve basis.

The IYG encourages young people irrespective of gender, race, language or religion to participate.

Here are a few highlights to look forward to during next year's IYG:



The Pearl of the Adriatic - Dubrovnik, Lokrum Island sea kayaking, the Elaphites Islands cruise, the historical city of Šibenik, the unforgettable Plitvice Lakes National Park, the unique peninsula of Istria, the ancient city of Pula and the Brijuni Islands National Park, the adrenalin-packed Aquapark Istralandia, the city of Rijeka - European Capital of Culture 2020, Trsat Castle, the capital city of Croatia - Zagreb, Zagreb Zoo, Medvednica Nature Park, the award-winning Museum of Neanderthals in Krapina, Takošćan Castle, Tuhelj Thermal Water Park, plus a visit to the Maritime

Police, the Special Police Counter-Terrorist Unit, the Croatian Police Academy, the Primorsko-Goranska Police Department, a gala dinner with entertainment and much more.

The full programme and registration details have been circulated to all national sections and is available to download on the dedicated IYG 2019 page of IPA Croatia's website at <https://ipa.hr/iyg-2019/>, or alternatively at <https://www.ipa-international.org/International-Youth-Gatherings>.

Not sure whether to apply?

Why not have a look at what is on offer at <https://www.youtube.IYG 2019> !

You are welcome to join in an unforgettable IPA adventure travelling side by side with fellow young people from around the world in the land of friendship ... Croatia!

Servo per Amikeco!

**Miljenko Vidak, President IPA Croatia**

## Download the new joint IPA app from Sections Austria, Germany and Switzerland



Dear IPA friends,

As announced during the IPA World Congress in Rotterdam, Sections Austria, Switzerland and Germany started a project to launch a joint IPA App.



We proudly announce that the App is now available at the Google and Apple store for download, free of charge. Please search for 'IPA App' or scan the QR Code.

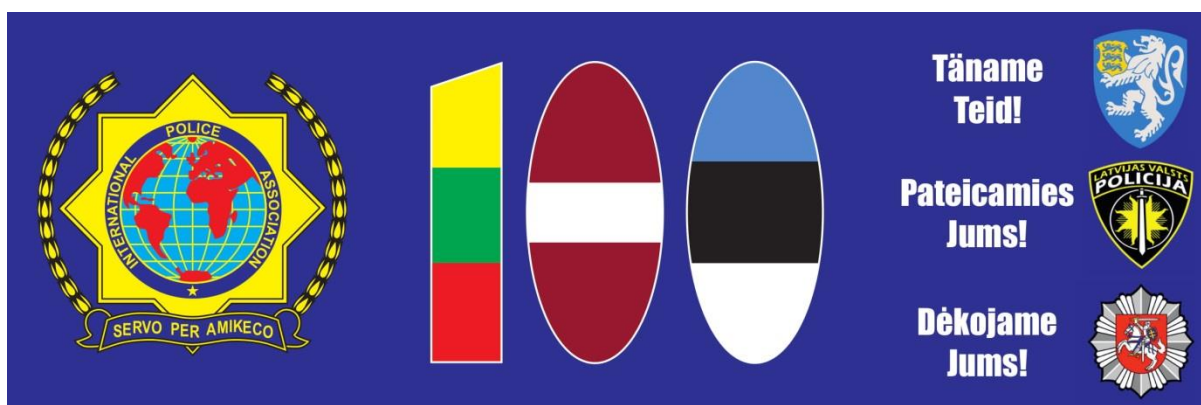
The App contains all relevant information about the IPA, including our accommodation options, Facebook pages, contact details, branches, and events.

Download it and check it out!

***Your Webteam from IPA Austria, Switzerland and Germany***



## Baltic 100



IPA Estonia, IPA Latvia and IPA Lithuania jointly organised the road trip Baltic 100 - 'We are grateful for your service', devoted to the republics of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania as well as the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their police forces.

The purpose of our 1000 km journey was to honour those who fought for our countries and our freedom as well as those who have fallen during service. In each country, wreaths and candles were placed at memorials.



People are remembered as long as their names are remembered. With this action we prove we have not forgotten our heroes - fallen or still standing.

Our sincere gratitude goes out to them!

***Uno Laas, President IPA Estonia***

***Ilze Ungure, President IPA Latvia***

***Rimas Leleckas, Treasurer IPA Lithuania***

## 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Congress of IPA Cyprus

The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Congress of Section Cyprus was hosted this year by the IPA Region of Famagusta, from 25-28 October 2018.

The official opening of the Congress took place at the 'Museum Thalassa' Congress Hall in Ayia Napa on 27 October 2018, and was attended by the members of the National Executive Board of the Section and representatives from the six IPA regions of Cyprus: Nicosia, Limassol, Larnaca, Paphos, Famagusta and Morphou.



Foreign delegations from Greece, Israel, Romania, Poland, Bulgaria, Russia and the United Kingdom also participated in the congress, and the IPA Vice President, Gal Sharon, attended as our special guest and addressed the delegations from Cyprus as well as all other guests who were present in the conference room.

Besides the congress work, the programme was enriched by many IPA activities, including guided sightseeing tours, visits to archeological and historical places, and all of our guests were given the opportunity to get a taste of the Cypriot culture, as well as the friendliness and hospitality of our people. They were also able to discover some of the beautiful sights of Cyprus. The congress participants were briefed about the IPA's work and other IPA activities carried out by the Section and the IPA regions during the year under review. The heads of the foreign delegations addressed the congress participants and expressed their thanks for the invitation.

During the meeting, the President of Section Cyprus and the regional chairmen briefed all participants about the IPA work achieved during the year, and the decisions taken by the NEC were approved. Future plans and projects were also discussed, and the delegates were informed that IPA Cyprus will continue its efforts to promote the IPA's ideals in the Middle East and especially in Arab countries.

Despite facing various problems, and with some governments not understanding fully that the IPA is not involved with politics or trade unions, we will continue our efforts. We will also continue following the development of the situation of the IPA in Turkey; however, unfortunately there is little we can do to assist at the moment.

***Michael Odysseos, President IPA Cyprus***



## Gimborn Talks 2018



This year's 'Gimborn Talks' took place from 19-21 October at IBZ Gimborn castle. Young police colleagues from Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and the UK were able to exchange views during these three days, discussing how to make the IPA even more attractive and exciting, how to attract new members

and how to integrate existing members better into the IPA. The planning and implementation of the event was handled this year by the 'Young IPA members' team of IPA Germany, Philipp Kurz and Nathalie Schultz.

The main aim of the meeting was to produce video and photo recordings not only with a patrol car of the German Federal police, but also with a police car from Mechelen/Belgium and an American cop tribute car. These materials can be used at a later stage to create a promotional film, in member magazines and flyers, or to post on social media to attract new IPA members.

The group of 13 young IPA members had an intensive exchange about successful projects of the year 2018 and of course took the chance to look ahead to the next year. The calendar of events in many sections is filled with activities and events for potential and existing young members. National as well as international events all over the world are being planned to live the idea of friendship and also gain professional experience.

Simultaneously to the meeting of the young IPA friends, representatives of IPA Sections Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Sweden Switzerland and the UK also got together and discussed the same questions as the young IPA friends.

As a key element, it was stressed that the ideals and goals of our founder should always be in the foreground of every effort: 'The primary objective of the IPA is to establish friendly relations, mutual assistance and understanding between police officers.'



The next round of our 'Gimborn Talks' will take place in autumn 2019 at Gimborn castle, and will be organised by IPA Sweden.

***Oliver Hoffmann, Vice President IPA Germany***

***Nathalie Schultz, IPA Germany representative of 'Young IPA members'***

## COPS 2018 Belgium – an account by IPA UK's Martin Turner



Earlier in 2018, one of the many friends and colleagues I have made through the IPA mentioned a COPS training week in Belgium. Sven Maertens, who leads the Defensive Tactics Group within the section, is an experienced trainer and has grown up heavily immersed in a variety of martial arts disciplines. COPS was a training week arranged by Sven and other IPA members in Belgium in June and held at the joint fire/medical/police training site near Antwerp, Campus Vesta.

In Antwerp I was met by a couple of officers in a marked police vehicle, and off we went to the training venue. At Campus Vesta I checked into our accommodation – admittedly 8-man tents and portable bathroom facilities weren't the most welcome in the hot and muggy conditions, but we all managed! We were welcomed that afternoon by the Campus staff and the trainers, handed very well-stocked goodie bags and were fed and watered. The evening was full of catch-ups, Belgian beer and a DJ providing entertainment.

The training over the next 4 days was intensive and thorough. Ranging from simulated vehicle defence, knife defence, unarmed combat, tactical emergency casualty care, point shooting and more. We had input around drone technology, behavioural detection, counter terrorism and ASP products. There was even a mini equipment store with numerous stockists in the compound we stayed in.

I was handed a Glock 17 at the beginning of the shooting, along with two magazines. The response from the Belgian trainer and the American Smith & Wesson manager to my 'I've not really fired a handgun before' was amusing: 'You'll be fine, just go second and watch what they do!', indicating the other half of my team. To the surprise of the trainers and me, I was pretty good... After firing off close to 200 rounds I was certainly better than when I started anyway!



Our cultural trip was to a nearby brewery where beer and whisky was sampled and traditional food eaten in the co-located restaurant. All too quickly another great week with the IPA ended and it was time to go home. Sven and his colleagues had successfully pulled off a training week for close to 120 participants, including feeding and accommodating them. It was a real shame to be the only UK member present but hopefully as the UK Defensive Tactics Group training weekends gain more momentum, it may encourage other members to head abroad and take advantage of unparalleled training opportunities.

***Martin Turner, IPA UK***



## IPA Ireland's Colmcille Region welcome Swedish members to the 2018 Oranmore event in Galway



The Colmcille Region's annual October weekend break to the Maldron Hotel in Oranmore, Galway, which is now in its 17<sup>th</sup> year, had a very welcome international element this time round.

This weekend event, organised and developed by regional Chairman Willie Maye since its inception, continues to attract big numbers and the fact that it continues to grow in popularity is testament to the excellent value and hospitality experienced by our members

and to the appreciation of our members for the work put into it each year, ensuring that this event remains one of our Region's most popular activities.

This year, we were delighted to welcome to our shores six IPA members from Sweden, led by Britt-Inger Kihlström, who had taken up the invitation to join us, which was extended by our group during our regional tour to Stockholm last December.

On Thursday, 18 October 2018, Britt-Inger, accompanied by Katrina Ellstrom, Stig Hagstrom, Tomas Jaenkrok, Roger Ostergren and Johan Kust, arrived by train in Galway city. The second such visit for Britt-Inger, but the first for her five colleagues. We met them that evening in Oranmore and following dinner, enjoyed a relaxing night in the hotel lounge.

Next morning, our visitors headed off to see the rugged landscape of south Galway and west Clare, hoping to take in the views from the Cliffs of Moher, but Mother Nature sent her mist down - our Swedish friends will have to come this way again to get the full benefit of those magnificent views ☺.

That evening our guests had the opportunity of meeting some forty members in our group following a fine dinner in the hotel.

On Saturday morning, IPA Claddagh Regional Secretary & IPA International Auditor Michael Walsh provided transport for our guests into the city where another Claddagh regional member, John O'Brien, was on hand to conduct a very informative walking tour of the city. This tour was thoroughly enjoyed by our group members and was followed by a relaxed and satisfying lunch in the city, hosted by IPA Ireland.



*Some of our group hear details of an archaeological find in Galway city centre*

In the afternoon, our guests enjoyed some free time to further explore Galway city before being transported back to the hotel by Michael Walsh. We were also delighted



*Britt-Inger Kihlström, IPA Stockholm  
with Joe Lynch and Willie Maye*

to be joined on Saturday by former President of IPA Ireland, Billy Saunderson and his wife Pauline, who arrived from Co. Clare to take part in our event. That night we were pleased to welcome back Michael Walsh and John O'Brien to our 'formal' dinner of the weekend where the hours just disappeared as we enjoyed a fine meal before presentations were exchanged with Britt-Inger Kihlström, regional Chairman Willie Maye and Joe Lynch for and on behalf of our Swedish guests.

As is now usual at our IPA events, a collection was made for the benefit of the 'IPA Laura Fund'. This IPA Ireland support fund assists members and their families who are suffering financial hardship as a result of illness. Our thanks to all of our members for their kind support.

The next few hours disappeared quicker than the mist over the cliffs. Sunday morning was the usual hustle and bustle as we took our leave and bid farewell to our guests from Sweden.

Here's to next year's Oranmore event!

**Joe Lynch, Editor IPA Ireland**

### 3. Raid Storico Vicenza – Budapest – Vicenza auf Station in der Steiermark

Unter der Patronanz der IPA Italien veranstaltete die IPA-Landesgruppe 5 Veneto mit Unterstützung zahlreicher Sponsoren vom 3. bis 8. September 2018 das 3. Rennen mit historischen Bikes (Terzo Raid Storico, Laverda Corse 2018) von Vicenza via Budapest retour nach Vicenza. Gefahren wurde in 6 Tagesetappen, geteilt in mehrere Unteretappen pro Renntag, die Wertung erfolgte nach der regulären Fahrzeit unter Beachtung aller Geschwindigkeitsbegrenzungen.



4 Bikerinnen und 37 Biker nahmen am Rennen teil, die unterstützende Crew bestand aus 12 Personen, darunter der Renndirektor, Gaudenzio Miglioranza, einer der Sponsoren und Partner der IPA Italien, Pietro Laverda (Laverda Motorcycles Italy) und diverse Bereichsverantwortliche für alle Belange des Rennens wie Zeiterfassung, technischer Support und medizinische Versorgung. Hauptsponsoren der Veranstaltung waren die Sparkasse Brunico und Caliba Viaggi.



Rennverlauf (Vicenza-Budapest-Vicenza) über 1.800 Kilometer Streckenlänge:

- Tag 1: Vicenza/Birreria Pedavena (IT), Birreria Pedavena/San Daniela Del Friuli (IT), San Daniela Del Friuli/Bohink (SI)
- Tag 2: Bohinj/Celje (SI), Celje/Jeruzalem (SI), Jeruzalem/Sümeg (HU)
- Tag 3: Sümeg/Budapest (HU)
- Tag 4: Budapest/Gönyü (HU), Gönyü/Sopron (HU), Sopron/Leoben/Zeltweg
- Tag 5: Zeltweg/Judenburg/Murau, Murau/Lienz, Lienz/Brunico (IT)
- Tag 6: Brunico/Predazzo (IT), Predazzo/Bassano del Grappa/Vicenza (IT).

Die ältesten Motorräder stammten aus den Jahren 1954 (Bianchi Cervino 175cc), 1955 (Moto Morini Supersport 175cc), 1957 (Moto Guzzi Lodola 175cc) und 1961 (Moto Guzzi Lodola GT 235cc). Gesamtsieger und Etappensieger Budapest-Leoben wurde Rolando Pozzato, Startnummer 20, mit seiner Kawasaki SR 650 cc, Baujahr 1982.

Die Gruppe hatte in den Anfangstagen Richtung Budapest durch Slowenien und Ungarn mit Starkregen und vermuten Straßen zu kämpfen, auf der Etappe nach Leoben blieb dann auch noch ein Motorrad wegen technischer Probleme auf der Strecke liegen und musste vom Technikteam mit dem Bus abtransportiert werden.

Am 6. September traf der Tross beim Brücklwirt in Niklasdorf ein. Dort gab es in der wunderschön und festlich gestalteten Parkanlage nach der Begrüßung durch die



*Biker am Hauptplatz von Leoben*



*Adolf Wildig, IPA Leoben*

Vorstandsmitglieder der IPA Leoben eine Freiluftbar, Sonnenliegen und Gastgarten. Für Speis und Trank war bestens gesorgt. Nach der langen Etappe Budapest/Leoben, die über 300 km betrug, waren die Bikerinnen und Biker sichtlich ermüdet und froh, sich an dieser Stelle erfrischen und erholen zu können. Die IPA Leoben übergab an alle Gastgeschenke, die sowohl von der Österreichischen Sektion als auch von der Verbindungsstelle Leoben gesponsert wurden, das Hotel Brücklwirt übernahm die Kosten für den Imbiss.

Nach der stärkenden Pause, in der viele freundschaftliche Gespräche und Kontakte geknüpft wurden und Besucherinnen und Besucher die Motorräder bestaunen konnten, fuhr die Runde unter Begleitung der IPA Leoben mit einer Polizeieskorte der Polizei Leoben und Niklasdorf zum Hauptplatz Leoben, der eigens für diese Veranstaltung für den Verkehr geöffnet wurde. Es folgte ein Empfang durch das Citymanagement Leoben, eine Einladung in den Arkadenhof, der ältesten Brauereigaststätte Leobens und die Übergabe von Gastgeschenken.



Unter Applaus der zahlreichen Zaungäste und mit vielen neuen Eindrücken ging es dann quer über den Hauptplatz von Leoben in Richtung Zeltweg, wobei die Polizeieskorte durchgehend organisiert war - in St. Michael übernahm die Autobahnpolizei Gleinalm, und gemeinsam mit der ASFiNAG und der IPA Leoben wurden alle Teilnehmerinnen und Teilnehmer sicher in ihre Unterkunft nach Zeltweg gebracht.

In Zeltweg wurde die Gruppe vom Vorstand der IPA Leoben in die Obhut des Vorstandes der IPA Murau-Murtal übergeben. Der Abend klang in angenehmer Atmosphäre bei Plaudereien und der Besprechung des Programms für den Folgetag im Beisein beider Verbindungsstellenleiter aus.



*Hindernisparcours Hauptplatz Judenburg*

Gut erholt und gestärkt wurde die Gruppe am 7. September von der IPA Murau-Murtal mit Polizeieskorte zum Hauptplatz in Judenburg geleitet, wo ein Hindernisparcours vor zahlreichen Zuschauern aus der Region stattfand. Der Tourismusverband Judenburg lud zu einem Getränk ein, und ein Fotoshooting rundete die Veranstaltung in Judenburg ab, bevor die 41 Bikes in eine neue Rennetappe gestartet wurden.

Der Start in die Tagesetappen Judenburg – Murau - Tamsweg erfolgte im Minutentakt, und der Konvoi wurde bis

zur Landesgrenze Salzburg von der Polizei eskortiert. Die ungestörte und sichere Durchreise der italienischen Gäste durch die Steiermark war auf Grund der permanenten Polizeibegleitung, abschnittsweise unterstützt durch die ASFiNAG und die IPA gewährleistet.

Die Veranstaltung fand äußerst positive Resonanz bei den zahlreichen Zuschauern in Leoben und Judenburg, und entlang der Strecke gab es immer wieder Schaulustige, die den Vorbeifahrenden vollste Aufmerksamkeit widmeten.

Pietro Laverde bedankte sich im Namen aller für die hervorragende Betreuung und die Organisation des Rahmenprogrammes in Leoben und Judenburg. Es ist nicht ausgeschlossen, dass der Stopp in Leoben und/oder Zeltweg zu einem fixen Programmpunkt im ‚Raid Storico‘ der IPA Italien werden wird. Die Verbindungsstellenleiter der IPA Leoben und IPA Murau-Murtal bedanken sich bei allen IPA-Kolleginnen und IPA-Kollegen, die die Betreuung und Begleitung des Renntrosses unterstützt haben.

SERVO PER AMIKECO!

***IPA Verbindungsstellen Leoben und Murau-Murtal, IPA Österreich***

## IPA Ireland host IPA Poland as part of a Placement Programme

From 10-21 October 2018 two serving police officers from the Lower Silesia region of IPA Poland, Dariusz Barczyński from Jelenia Góra and Michał Sługocki from Wrocław, went to Ireland for 11 days as part of the IPA Placement Programme.

Accommodated for 3 days in the IPA House in Dublin, both officers were able to explore the city and visited the government building, court houses and the Garda facilities to learn about the services An Garda Síochána provide. They also met a group of Polish members of IPA Ireland, all working in different posts in the Garda, to exchange experiences and compare policing in the two countries.



Thanks to IPA Hiking Club member Síobháin Ní Fírbhisigh, on day 4 Dariusz and Michał were able to admire picturesque sights during a hike to Tory Hill, before spending the afternoon in Kilkenny, where they met with IPA Ireland President Conor O'Higgins, who gave them a tour around town. In the evening, the Polish officers enjoyed the nightlife in Kilkenny, visiting several pubs with live music and tasting a local brew.



The next day, both IPA members from Poland went to Birr, where they met with Grace Heffernan, an IPA Ireland member who they had hosted in Poland as part of the placement programme in September 2018. Grace showed them around the Garda Station in Birr, where they met Superintendent Patrick O'Callaghan and IPA Ireland Secretary General Carlo Griffin. Later, the beautiful gardens of Birr Castle and trip to Tullamore combined with a visit to the whiskey distillery Tullamore DEW were

on the programme. In the evening there was time to meet with local Garda officers and discuss police work over a few pints.

On their return to Dublin, on day six the Polish policemen visited the Guinness Storehouse and enjoyed the panoramic views from the Gravity Bar. Afterwards, they went to the Aviva Stadium to observe a briefing of the Garda officers who were securing a football match between Ireland and Wales. Of course they kept their fingers crossed for Ireland while watching the match in the stadium!

The next morning, Carlo Griffin took the visitors to Galway on the west coast of Ireland, where they stayed at the IPA Apartment. IPA Ireland Vice President Michael Walsh showed them around one of the Garda stations in Galway, and later, over a pint of Guinness, honoured the guests from Poland with membership in the IPA Guinness Forum.

The following day, both IPA Poland members visited the Garda Síochána College in Templemore, where they met with the Chief Superintendent, had a tour around the college facilities, and observed Garda students practicing their foot drill. The evening provided an occasion for Garda Students to talk with the Polish policemen about the police work in Poland and the differences in their training programmes. The next day was spent hiking up Devil's Bit, and even the rain did not stop the visitors from reaching the top! After a tiring day, the IPA members from Poland met with IPA Ireland members Gemma Grogan and Chris Verling.



On day ten Dariusz and Michał were taken to a game of hurling, where they were able to enjoy the dynamics of the fastest team sport in the world. After a final evening in Birr, the Polish police officers enjoyed a visit to the Teeling Whiskey Distillery before flying back home to Poland.

It is needless to say that the time spent in Ireland on the IPA Placement Programme was a great adventure for the Polish policemen, and they will surely remember it well, as it was not only a chance to watch and learn about police work in a different country, to observe how the IPA functions and is organised in Ireland, but above all to spend time making new acquaintances and tightening the cooperation between both countries.

Servo per Amikeco!

***Michał Sługocki, Lower Silesia Region IPA Poland***

## IPA UK's John Bull honoured in Germany



*On stage with the Bürgermeister of Grünberg*

For 30 years Anita and I have visited the October Gallusmarkt, a well-known traditional fair, in Grünberg / Germany, staying with our friends Karl-Ludwig & Doris Ruckelshaus.

Every year, four people not born in the town are honoured officially for giving their time, working voluntarily for Grünberg - it is considered a great honour.

In addition, each year, selected individuals are recognised for taking part in the market and giving exceptional friendship to the town.



I had been warned that something was coming my way this year and so, during the festivities and in the main tent in front of over 3,000 people, I was called to the stage by the Bürgermeister (mayor). A history of my attendances was announced, and I was presented with a unique Bierkrug suitably decorated. I am only the 15<sup>th</sup> person to have received this award and the first person from outside Grünberg, let alone Germany. My thank-you speech (in German) was a blur but seemed to go down well, as I had managed to open and close it with words in local dialect. I must say that the warmth with which I was received and congratulated was very moving!



This all originally came about through an IPA friendship which has been going for 32 years. It was apt that the catalyst for these friendships, Rene Vuylsteke who is originally from Brussels, was present. Our first contact was through a visit by Milton Keynes Police under the auspices of IPA to Wittlich in Germany, where we met Rene who was part of the organising team of the annual Anderlecht Police March.

This shows where IPA friendships can lead!

**John Bull, Secretary Thames Valley Branch, IPA UK**

## ON THE TABLE OF THE IEB

### Curso IPA España

#### ‘La Amenaza del Terrorismo Yihadista en Occidente’



La IPA Sección España organizó el curso ‘La amenaza del terrorismo yihadista en occidente’, celebrado en el Centro Integral de Formación y Seguridad y Emergencias (CIFSE) en la ciudad de Madrid, del 25 al 27 de octubre de 2018.

Las palabras de bienvenida estuvieron a cargo de Antonio Gómez Montejano, Presidente de IPA Filial Madrid y las palabras de inauguración a cargo del

Ministro del Interior de España, Excmo. Sr. Dr. Fernando Grande Marlaska.

Dicho evento congregó en el podium a los más connotados expertos en terrorismo de España, entre ellos magistrados de la Fiscalía de la Audiencia Nacional de España, catedráticos de las Universidad Isabel I de Castilla, de la Universidad P. Olavide, miembros de la Coordinadora de Estudios Islámicos del Grupo Especial de Escoltas, Emergencias y Seguridad, expertos policiales de los diferentes Cuerpos de Seguridad de España (Guardia Civil, Policía Nacional, Ertzaintza, Mossos

d'Esquadra y Policía Local), oficiales profesores de Estrategia y Organización de la Escuela de Guerra del Ejército de Tierra de España, consultores de Análisis de Estrategia e Inteligencia de España, investigadores del Programa sobre Radicalización Violenta y Terrorismo Global del Real Instituto Elcano y de la Escuela Internacional de Criminología y Criminalística, funcionarios de la Dirección de Seguridad de Telemadrid, funcionarios de la Dirección General de Protección Civil y Emergencias y finalmente, un experto en política criminal internacional del Foro de Berna para las Ciencias Criminales de Suiza, miembro de IPA Perú y de la Comisión Profesional Internacional.

En dicho evento se abordaron, en magistrales conferencias y mesas redondas, 'la visión jurídica del terrorismo yihadista', 'geoestrategia y fuentes de financiación', 'etiología yihadista', 'análisis social del terrorismo yihadista', 'aspectos operativos policiales anti-terroristas', 'análisis forense de telefonía móvil', 'el yihadismo desde los medios de comunicación', 'geoestrategia & yihadismo', 'geopolítica, historia y doctrina del Islám y el terrorismo yihadista', 'prevención de la radicalización – relaciones de las comunidades islámicas con el Estado español', 'detección del engaño en el perfil yihadista' y finalmente 'el terrorismo internacional y la seguridad global en el Siglo XXI'.



Javier Gamero Kinosita, miembro de la Comisión Profesional Internacional, concluyó en su disertación, que el terrorismo internacional es la guerra del siglo XXI, constituyendo una amenaza global y el más grande desafío del Estado de derecho moderno, subrayando que se trata de un nuevo enemigo planetario, que desconoce fronteras, territorios, credos y culturas, inspirado en nacionalismos periféricos, mesianismos religiosos y dogmatismos seculares, enfatizando además, que en la lucha contra el terrorismo deben de respetarse los valores de los derechos humanos, que el occidente secularizado predica urbi et orbi, de lo contrario perdería credibilidad, sin credibilidad no hay legitimidad y sin legitimidad no hay éxito. Finalmente recalcó, que no se puede disparar a una idea, una idea debe de ser combatida con una idea mejor.

Luego de la entrega de la Metopa Institucional de IPA España a los ponentes, el acto académico fue clausurado por el Dr. Antonio Varela, Vicepresidente de IPA España.

***Javier Gamero Kinosita, Miembro IPA Perú y de la PC***

## LAST WORD



In my first job after university, I worked for several years as a Business Analyst in industry. The time leading up to the year-end always meant producing a wealth of statistics, hopefully showing that the past year had been a successful one, and with the aim of creating a solid base for the following year's budget and targets.

Surprisingly to myself, statistics and I developed a great relationship ... I like the idea of being able to get to the bottom of developments, the safety and possibilities the figures give me to see where it could lead, and to plan where I would like them to go.

As it is getting close to the end of this year, and I had a little time on my hands, I had a look into the figures behind the IPA Newsletter 2018. A day later, and a database richer, here are some of the interesting things I found:

Overall, our 11 editions of 2018 were made up of 197 pages stemming from 144 articles, dividing nicely to give you 12 new articles to read each month ☺

I am happy to see that 30 sections from 4 continents, plus IBZ Gimborn, contributed in some way or other to the Newsletter, which is close to half of all IPA sections. 66% of articles came from sections directly, with the remainder coming from the IEB or Commissions (19%), plus of course Introductions and Last Words.

Our articles are not restricted to the monthly Newsletter – you will also see them appear on the IPA international website and on social media – promoting the IPA as much as we can. Thank you to all who have contributed this year!

A staggering 291 photos or images were used. The majority of these were sent in by our sections. I am also very grateful for the biennial IPA Photo Competitions, which are the perfect source for many IPA Newsletter front covers, with 5 having been used in 2018. The IAC has a photo archive where all IPA photos are stored, and we are also working on establishing a photo gallery on the website for all of you to enjoy.

So far for 2018...for me, this is just the 'baseline'. I now have all the figures in hand to see where there are further opportunities to develop the Newsletter. So to start off with in 2019, I am very much looking forward to contacting some of the 35 sections who missed the opportunity to contribute in 2018, inviting them to share their IPA success stories with the rest of the IPA world ☺

Figures and statistics are not all, though:

*'Life it is not just a series of calculations and a sum total of statistics, it's about experience, it's about participation, it is something more complex and more interesting than what is obvious'. Daniel Libeskind*

Seems to me that the IPA is just that: perfect for experiencing and participating.

In this respect my wish for you for next year is that you are not a mere statistic in the IPA, but enjoy actively all the opportunities the Association offers, and for me that you keep sending plenty of articles for us to publish in the Newsletter!

*Elke*



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

| <b>Section</b> | <b>Date</b>        | <b>Event</b>  |
|----------------|--------------------|---|
| Spain          | 1 Dec 2018         | 18 <sup>th</sup> International Trader Show, Barcelona   |
| Austria        | 26 Jan-2 Feb 2019  | 31 <sup>st</sup> IPA Ski Week, Nassfeld - Carinthia   |
| Ireland        | 29 Jan-2 Feb 2019  | IEB Meeting, Dublin   |
| Poland         | 12-15 Feb 2019     | X International Uniform Indoor Football Tournament, Warsaw  |
| Montenegro     | 19-22 Feb 2019     | World Conference of Women in the Security Sector  |
| Sweden         | 25-27 Apr 2019     | COPS 2019, Uddevalla  |
| Russia         | 21-26 Apr 2019     | DetectiveFEST, Moscow   |
| Spain          | 2-5 May 2019       | Int'l 7-a-side Football Tourn., Tarragona   |
| Russia         | 6-12 May 2019      | Mayskaya Week, Moscow   |
| Italy          | 16-19 May 2019     | Mediterranean Sections' Meeting, Garda  |
| Netherlands    | 26 May             | 112 on Wheels, Venlo Greenport  |
| Spain          | 27 May-2 Jun 2019  | Romantic Week, Barcelona + optional extension to Morocco the following week   |
| Canada         | 31 May-8 Jun 2019  | Region 2 Int'l Friendship Week, Ontario   |
| France         | 6-11 Jun 2019      | 2 <sup>nd</sup> International Friendship Week, Nîmes  |
| Poland         | 8-9 Jun 2019       | IPA Triathlon, Mietków  |
| Netherlands    | 14-16 Jun 2019     | Limburg-Zuid 60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary   |
| Netherlands    | 20-23 Jun 2019     | 26 <sup>th</sup> Int. Campervan Meeting, Valkenburg   |
| UK             | 24-28 Jun 2019     | YPOS 2019, Scottish Police College, Kincardine  |
| UK             | 27-30 Jun 2019     | UK Motorbike Rally, Huddersfield  |
| Slovakia       | 28 Jul-4 Aug 2019  | International Friendship Week 2019, Rimavska Sobota   |
| Croatia        | 3-17 Aug 2019      | International Youth Gathering   |
| Canada         | 18-21 Aug 2019     | 22 <sup>nd</sup> Int'l Council on Alcohol, Drugs and Traffic Safety Conf. (ICADTS), T2019, Edmonton; <i>announced via the IPA Professional Commission</i> |
| Spain          | 25 Aug-1 Sep 2019  | IPA Navarra 30 <sup>th</sup> Anniv. Friendship Week   |
| Russia         | 26 Aug-2 Sep 2019  | Spasskaya Week, Moscow  |
| IBZ Gimborn    | 30 Aug-1 Sep 2019  | 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations, Gimborn  |
| Canada         | 30 Aug-12 Sep 2019 | Friendship Week Montréal Region   |
| Canada         | 2-11 Sep 2019      | Shades of Ireland Tour, organised by Atlantic Region of IPA Canada  |
| USA            | 5-12 Oct 2019      | National Delegate Conference Cruise, Miami  |
| Croatia        | 8-13 Oct 2019      | 64 <sup>th</sup> IPA World Congress, Cavtat   |

## FORTHCOMING GIMBORN SEMINARS

Please see below a 4-month summary of seminars with vacancies, 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:

[www.ibz-gimborn.de](http://www.ibz-gimborn.de)



| <b>Date</b>        | <b>Seminar</b>   | <b>Language</b> |
|--------------------|--|-----------------|
| 03-07 Dec 2018     | Evidence Based Policing and Predictive Policing  | E / G           |
| 12-14 Dec 2018     | Der Rechtsstaat rüstet auf – Wie bedroht sind unsere Freiheitsrechte?  | G               |
| 14-18 Jan 2019     | Wutbürger, Reichsbürger, Identitäre  | G               |
| 21-25 Jan 2019     | Gewalt gegen die Staatsgewalt  | G               |
| 06-07 Feb 2019     | Social Media und Recht   | G               |
| 11-15 Feb 2019     | Unter Druck – Im Konflikt handlungsfähig bleiben   | G               |
| 11-15 Feb 2019     | Brush up your English – an English course for those who want to reactivate and improve their English for work and travel | E               |
| 22-24 Feb 2019     | Fortbildung Funktionäre Dt. Sektion  | G               |
| 27 Feb-01 Mar 2019 | Rücken verstehen – Schmerzen entgehen!<br>Ein bewegtes Seminar für mehr Lebensqualität                                   | G               |
| 04-10 Mar 2019     | Fasten? Trau Dich! Heilfasten im Oberberg. Land  | G               |
| 04-08 Mar 2019     | Social Media Management für Polizei, Justiz und Öffentliche Verwaltung   | G               |
| 11-15 Mar 2019     | Katastrophen- und Krisenmanagement<br>Disaster and Crisis Management   | E / G           |
| 18-22 Mar 2019     | Crime Scene Internet – Crime in Digital Space  | E               |
| 25-29 Mar 2019     | Drohnen – Anwendungsformen, tech. Möglichkeiten und rechtliche Aspekte eines neuen polizeilichen Einsatzmittels          |                 |

