Short Report of IVV CONGRESS HAMBURG

Hotel Mercure Mitte HAMBURG

19th September, 2014 8.30 am - 12.30 pm

20th September, 2014 8.30 am - 11.30 am

1. Opening and Welcoming:

Giuseppe Colantonio, IVV President, welcomed the Honorary President Horst Volkmer and the Delegates. He thanked Uwe Kneibert, DVV President, Michael Mallmann, Tanja Müller and all organizers for their help to organize the Congress. Horst Volkmer thanked for the invitation and remembers the IVV history.

2. Establishment of the Delegates present and quorum:

As onl 48 Delegates of 106 from 27 countries were present, the IVV Congress of Deleagres had to be stopped for half an hour according to the Statutes and started again to be quorate. During this half an hour the Chinese Delegation introduced the Olympiad in Chengdu.

3. Reports

a. President's report:

Giuseppe Colantonio reported about the IVV history which has been successful and still is. The foundation of the Continental Confederations was an important step in the history of the IVV, the best proof is the success of the two first Europiads and Asianpiads.

As the international event book had less demand and financially impacted the IVV it was decided to abolish it and publish the information on the IVV website. Member associations will have indirect access to the online database in order to update their data. Communication is very important for the IVV and therefore a new website has been introduced successfully.

The cooperation with other international organizations is very important and IVV has good connections to TAFISA and IML for a better publicity. When analyzing IVV activities there are positive results but we must ask questions for the future, better prevent than heal.

In 2018 the IVV will celebrate its 50 anniversary which should be celebrated enthusiastically as shown by the founders. Italy is ready to organize a grand festivity, if allowed by the IVV Congress. The IVV President thanked the Delegates for their attention and wished a successful Congress.

b. Vice President's report:

Since the Congress in Zhaoqing, China, in 2012, Graham Fawcett's main focus has been the creation of a proposed online database for all IVV events around the world. This has included research on existing online data, consultation with national members, creating technical documents, development of both an online and offline database, and testing early versions

of the database. Several members have shared their information from 2014 for development purposes, it was worked closely with the Canadian Volkssport Federation on the process of submitting data. Help will be given to all IVV members on how to submit their data, and the goal is still to open the online database on Dec. 1, 2014, barring any unforeseen developments.

The screen content for the online database will be at the website visitor's choice: in English, German, or French. The actual data content will be in the language submitted by IVV members. Copies of the Excel spreadsheets and further guidelines will be sent out to all members before the end of September.

c. Treasurer's report

Walter Motz reported about the annual accounts of the tax consultant.

Accruals for record books not yet redeemed of Europe Cup II and II, Pacific Cup and World Cup were decreased. He also reported about late payments of members at year end. He informed about booked amounts of the fiscal years 2012 and 2013 and the sums of revenues and expenses were compared to the budget.

Walter Motz underlined that the Presidium takes no risk when investing funds. He informs the Presidium at every meeting about the current state of the finances. At the end of the cash report he thanked the members, the Presidium and Tanja Müller, IVV Head Office, for the good cooperation and support.

d. <u>Secretary's report:</u>

Since the foundation of the Continental Confederations the Presidium has been restructured and consists of two boards, the Executive Presidium and the United Presidium. The Executive Presidium fulfills the operating IVV business and the United Presidium makes important decisions. In the last two years the following meetings were held:

Executive Presidium:

11th October 2013 in Ottawa (Canada), 28th-30th March 2014 in Chengdu, 16th June 2014 in Nove (Marostica)

United Presidium:

25th June 2013 in Val Gardena (Italy), 17th June 2014 in Nove (Marostica)

The cooperation with IML is excellent and a common IVV/IML cup is to be started from 2015/2016. The rules for this cup were accepted by the United Presidium and IML will decide on it in October.

e. Report of IVV-Asia representative of United Presidium

IVV-ASIA was founded in 2010 by four countries, Japan, Korea, China and Taiwan. In 2013, Jogja Warking Association from Indonesia joined IVV-ASIA.

The first Asianpiad was held in Suncheon, Korea in 2012 which was a common event of IVV

and IML. This year the second Asianpiad will be held in Higashi-Matsuyama, Japan which will be again a common event of IVV and IML.

f. Report of IVV-Europe representative of United Presidium

Including France the IVV Europe consists of 17 member countries. The IVV Europe Congress took place in Tata (Hungary) from 27th – 29th September, 2013, the next one takes place in Winterthur (Switzerland) in 2015. The 3rd Europiad takes place in Austria, Kitzbühel from 26th – 29th May 2016. Because of the death of Gérard Wohl reelections were necessary: Uwe Kneibert President, Alberto Guidi and Georges Kintziger Vice Presidents, Friedl Ploner, Treasurer. The introduction of the new cup "Der Europawanderer" has been a great success and the IVV Europe will publish a "European Event Book" in 2015.

g. Report of IVV-Americas representative of United Presidium

IVV-Americas was formed in June 2013 by two members, Canada and Brazil, and the United States announced that they will decide by the end of 2014 whether to join IVV-Americas. In comparison to IVV-Europe, IVV-Americas has far less members, less money and far more territory in their geographic area. IVV-Americas is formed as a legal non-profit organization, registered in Canada. First officers were elected, bylaws accepted, financial accounts created. The IVV-Americas website in English, French and Portuguese is expected to be completed by the end of 2014. A Spanish page will be added to describe volkssport and membership opportunities.

IVV-Americas will soon offer an IVV-Americas Cup special event booklet for sale for completion of twenty IVV events anywhere within the IVV-Americas area. A participant who completes the booklet earns an IVV-Americas patch.

It is hoped to hold a first IVV-Americapiad in 2016 or 2018.

h. <u>Auditors'report</u>

Michel Courtier (France) and Brian Tilbury (Great Britain) reported about the audit and Michel Courtier asked the Delegates to approve Treasurer Walter Motz.

4. <u>Discussion of the reports</u>

Michel Mallmann (DVV) welcomed the new IVV website, it is a connection with the world, an important and welcoming initiative. As there is a problem at several-day events with different starting times Graham Fawcett suggested to enter the first starting time.

Rudi Bräuml (ÖVV) wanted to know about the late payments of different countries. Walter Motz gave the necessary information.

Emil Dannemark (Belgium) asked for information about the rules of travel expenses of Presidium members. Walter Motz answered that the expenses were fixed accurately and that there were forms that have to be filled in by every IVV Presidium member.

5. Approval

The Delegates approved the IVV Presidium for the fiscal year 2012 and 2013.

6. Motions

DVV motion for International IVV Award (enclosure 1)

The motion was accepted by the Congress with 5 abstentions. The new International IVV Award is to be introduced by the national associations by 2018. An extension of this period is possible if inquired and accepted by the IVV Presidium.

ÖVV motion for promotion of other Non-IVV associations on national IVV announcements

Uwe Kneibert explained that the IVV Statutes and rules don't forbid it, therefore promotion of Non-IVV associations on national IVV announcements are not prohibited. Following that, the ÖVV recalled their motion.

IVV Americas motion of territorial boundaries for Continental Confederations

The territorial boundaries suggested by Curt Myron are guidelines, suggestions but not a rule. Individual countries can decide to which continent they want to belong to. The United Presidium would make the definite decision. The IVV Americas motion was accepted unanimously by the IVV Congress.

FBSP suggestion regarding organization of IVV Congress during IVV Olympiad

Uwe Kneibert explained that a change of the Statutes would take effect only in 2018 and that it was not clear if FBSP handed in a suggestion or a motion. Emil Dannemark said it was important to exchange opinions and thoughts with other associations about this topic and the future of IVV. The suggestions was made to save costs. Friedl Ploner, South Tyrol, remarked that when combining Congress and Olympiad, a country that wouldn't be able to organize an Olympiad wouldn't be able to organize a Congress anymore.

As there were little reactions of the Delegates present to this topic, the suggestion of the FBSP was closed.

7. Election of location of the next Congress of Delegates in 2016

Two applications were handed in, Brazil and Hungary, both received after the deadline. As Hungary recalled its application, Brazil (Casimiro de Abreu bei Rio de Janeiro) was accepted unanimously to organize the IVV Congress of Delegates from $26^{th} - 28^{th}$ August, 2016.

8. Election of location of the IVV Olympiad 2017

Two applications were received after the deadline. Germany (Koblenz) and Austria (Tauplitz/Bad Mitterndorf). After the presentation of both applicants the election took place. Of the total of 97 votes, 73 were handed in for Germany and 24 for Austria. Therefore, the Olympiad 2017 takes place in Koblenz from $6^{th} - 11^{th}$ June, 2017.

9. Honours

Giuseppe Colantonio made the following honours:

Bronze: Fred Richards (BWF), Gold: Alberto Guidi (FIASP), Gold: Francis Richert (FFSP)

10. Miscellaneous

There were no further discussions at item "Miscellaneous".

11. Closing of Congress of Delegates

Giuseppe Colantonio underlined the good process of the Congress of Delegates and the friendship that combines us. In 2018 the IVV will be 50 years old and we have to be as enthusiastic as the IVV founders were 50 years ago. He wished the Delegates a good trip home and is looking forward to meeting again in Brazil in 2016.

As organizer of the Congress, Uwe Kneibert (DVV) also thanked the Delegates.