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NEWSFLASH

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Greetings

The newly elected IVV-Europe Presidium is aware of its responsibility and obligation to help in solving the current sanitary crisis and supports all measures taken by the respective governments to fight the pandemic.

The IVV-Europe Presidium is also aware of the social crisis that is currently affecting the altruistic, selfless and voluntary work in the associations. On the other hand, one must also be aware of the unrestrained popularity of our hobby, hiking and walking.

It is therefore necessary to carefully find a balance between change and tradition, between continuity and innovation, further development.

Nothing in the history of life is more constant than change. When the wind of change blows, some build walls and others windmills, says a Chinese proverb. Let's make it together, solidarity is now the driving force of our walking community. But let us also have understanding for the fearful and let us leave the doors open...

Purpose of this IVV-EUROPE-NEWSFLASH

The newly elected IVV-Europe Presidium wants to fulfil its promise of more and better communication in the IVV with its NEWSFLASH.

It should take a position on current issues, share information, reflect activities and encourage activities.

The Newsflash should reinforce the unity of the IVV, support the member associations by providing information and knowledge.

The Newsflash will be published every 3 months, in 3 languages, from now on. After the mailing it will be partially available on the new website of IVV-Europe.

Activity reports of Member Associations

In order to be better informed about the activities and organizations of our Member Associations and thus to strengthen the cooperation, we ask all Member Associations to send their annual report to the above address, either by post or by e-mail.



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Strategic Plan of the IVV

You have recently received the "Strategic Plan" of the IVV. This plan should form the basis for future cooperation within the IVV and the framework for a common approach to ensure continuity and growth for all of us.

The Presidium of IVV-Europe assumes its full responsibility here and welcomes the goals set, offering its help and cooperation. We stand by the IVV as well as each of our affiliated Member Associations and strive to achieve the set goals in a time schedule to be determined by us!

A communication to this effect has been sent to the IVV International Board.

World Hiking Day on 8 May

Traditionally, the 8th of May is International World Hiking Day. We would like to invite all our Member Associations to encourage their clubs to offer their walks on this day (a Sunday) under this keyword. As IVV Europe, we will provide an IVV World Hiking Day special postmark free of charge. The IVV International on its part will provide printed participation diplomas. A logo, if necessary in the national language, can be created on request.





Europe Day on 9 May

The IVV Europe Presidium invites all Member Associations to a

EUROPEAN DAY OF VOLKSSPORT ASSOCIATIONS

This day should be offered regularly throughout Europe from 2022 onwards and honor all volunteers. On this day, the association should invite to a social gathering, offer a day of meeting in the association, do something together, offer a social, cultural or culinary activity for the association members. The community created in this way serves to promote mindfulness and creates incentives to join an association.

The day should be freely determinable, each association should choose the best day for itself, it certainly does not have to be 9 May. As an encouragement, each participating club should be thanked with a diploma issued by the IVV-Europe for their participation in the first European Day of Volkssport Associations!



Invitation to a Video Conference

One of the main objectives of IVV-Europe is to improve communication and knowledge transfer. We envisage nothing less than introducing a new dimension of communication within the IVV.

To make this as easy and effective as possible, we propose regular video conference calls. This will be on different topics and in different languages. This both to facilitate communication and to save time.

A first topic shall be : <u>The Digital Hike!</u> What is a Digital Hike - how can a Digital Hike help out of the current pandemic problem - can a Digital Hike expand the offer of IVV Hikes fundamentally - what is the difference to a Virtual Hike?

We invite to an exchange of experiences – Member associations that offer digital walks should briefly present their approach – Member associations that do not yet offer digital walks could be inspired, convinced... What are the experiences, what are obstacles, advice.....

If there are any other topics you are interested in that we can discuss in this way, please do not hesitate to send us your suggestions.



Walking 2022 kilometres in 2022

IVV-Europe wants to encourage Europe-wide IVV walking. For the first time in 2022, an invitation will be sent out for a challenge in which the year will be hiked in kilometres.

The hiked, IVV-worldwide-stamped kilometres from 1.1.2022 to 31.12.2022 are valid. Information tools are digital flyers and a logo which will be presented in the social media as well as sent to the Member Associations.

Honours awarded will be:

- Personalised and numbered Challenge Diploma, issued on the date of reaching the 2 022 km
- Attractive, specially designed IVV European Challenge medal and patch
- Inclusion in the "Hall of Fame" of the IVV-Europa-Portal

Participation fee is 22 €, number of participants limited to 222 throughout Europe.

IVV-Europe offers an active participation to the Member Associations and consists of:

- Interested hikers register, reserve their participation with the Member Association
- The Member Association collects payments, controls the IVV stamp book entries.
- The honors are sent to the Member Association which guarantees the dispatch.

The Challenge is intended to promote communication between walkers, clubs and Member Association, as well as cooperation between IVV-Europe and the Member Association.



Take the Challenge and walk in good Company with IVV



Cups of the IVV-Europe "The Europe Hiker" and "Europe Hikes"

IVV-Europe has renewed the DIPLOMA for the Europawanderer Cups. They are now:

- available in 3 different languages to be more mindful of the participants,
- signed by the integral IVV-Europe Presidium in order to indicate the solidarity in the Presidium.







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