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FIP COMMISSION FOR POSTAL HISTORY

Minutes of the FIP COMMISSION FOR POSTAL HISTORY meeting

held on October 7, 2010, during the World Philatelic Exhibition PORTUGAL 2010 in Lisbon, Portugal, Congress Centre, Auditorio 3.

Agenda:

1. Welcome and List of participants to be completed
2. Approval of the minutes of our Commission Meeting in Bucharest (June 26, 2008)
3. Report on activities 2008-2010 (Bureau and Delegates)
4. Seminar SS3 "How to win a Gold medal" given by Pat and Dan Walker
5. Questions, Discussion, Suggestions
6. Next meeting

1. Participants were to sign in at the entry to Auditorium 3 where the meeting took place. There was an influx of people at the door since beside delegates and observers to the meeting, there were also individuals who arrived too early for the seminar which was scheduled for 11.30.

The problem was compounded by the fact that some federations had multiple representatives. Presidents of some federations joined the official delegates. In one case, four people from one federation signed up. Most of these individuals did not inform us of their intention to attend our meeting ahead of time although this is clearly stated in the FIP rules for Commissions (see Article 10 below).

Nevertheless, these registration procedures should help our Secretary to improve them for the next meeting in 2012 which will be an election year.

Therefore, with some delay at 10:55 AM local time, the Chair of the Commission welcomed all the participants and asked the Secretary for information regarding the number of participants with voting rights present at the meeting. The counting disclosed 43 such individuals.

2. The minutes from the previous Commission meeting in Bucharest on June 26, 2008 were approved without any objections.
3. Reporting on the 2008-2010 activities, Moti Kremener (Israel) presented to participants his project of on-line philatelic encyclopaedia "Philapedia" [<https://philapedia.com>] which is a multilingual, web-based database of items sold on different auctions.
Chris King (Great Britain) spoke to the website of the Royal Philatelic Society London, and Dan Walker (USA) informed the group about plans of further development of the website of the American Philatelic Society (www.stamps.org)
4. The seminar SS3 "How to win a Gold medal" was delivered by Pat and Dan Walker who also responded to questions asked from the floor. Chris King thanked on behalf of the audience and confirmed that he fully enjoyed this Seminar.
5. No further questions from the participants.
6. Having announced that the next will take place in Doha (Qatar) in 2012, at 12:15 local time, the Chair adjourned the meeting.

Secretary

Chairman

Article 10

Should a delegate not be able to attend the conference, the F.I.P.-Member is entitled to nominate an alternative delegate or may be represented by proxy by the delegate of another F.I.P.-Member. In both cases authorisation must be made in writing to the Chairman of the Commission/Section **in advance** of the conference. A national delegate, or his proxy, may represent by proxy only one other F.I.P.-Member