



**INTERNATIONALE KOMMISSION DER DETEKTIV-
VERBÄNDE**

**INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF ASSOCIATIONS
OF PRIVATE DETECTIVES**



MINUTES of Committee Meeting 2006

**Minutes of XVth CONGRESS of the Internationale Kommission der Detektiv
Verbände held at the Ramada Hotel Residenzschloss, Bayreuth, Germany, on
Saturday the 12th May 2007**

1. Introduction and welcome by the Secretary General – attendees: -

Tony Imossi – Secretary General, ABI (UK)

George Hirtl – Vice Secretary General, ODV (Austria)

Markus Wegst – Treasurer, FSPD (Switzerland)

Lothar Kimm - BID (Germany)

Pinter Tamas - (Hungary Interpreter)

Uffe Bodeholt – FDDE (Denmark)

Enrique de Madrid Davilla – Colegio Catalan (Spain)

David Sanmartin – APDPE (Spain)

Julio Gutiez – APDPE (Spain)

Bodo Scholl, BDD (Germany)

Alberto Castilla - APDPE (Spain)

Mr Janko Trivunovic – DZRS (Slovenia)

Javier Gutiez - APDPE (Spain)

Jan Stekelenburg – VPB (Netherlands)

Cesar Martin - APDPE (Spain)

Csatari Tibor – CBPPPD (Hungary)

J Antonio Perez - APDPE (Spain)

Apologies for absence –

Werner Sachse - WAD (Germany)

Jean Schmitt – SNARP (France)

Laura Giuliani – FEDERPOL (Italy)

Kjetil Eide – NFES (Norway)

Maria Bumbaru – ANDR (Romania) present in morning

Dorel Brahmer– ANDR (Romania) present in morning

2. Ratification of New Members National association.

The provisional application of Hungarian Professional Chamber of Personal and Property Protection and Private Investigators was considered. A short presentation on the organisation was given by its Vice President, Csatari Tibor, through an Interpreter.

Licensing for Private Investigators exists in Hungary. There are 923 PIs in the



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organisation, which includes the whole membership of the Hungarian Association that also holds IKD membership. The membership was proposed by Jan Stekelenburg, seconded by George Hirtl and ratified by the Committee. The Romanian delegation, although present in the morning session were absent for the meeting. The Executive Committee had earlier granted the Romanian National Association of Detectives provisional membership. An application for membership from the Portugese Association had been received but was still being processed. An application for membership is contemplated from the Colegio Catalan (Spain).

3. Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting of the Executive, held on 30th September 2006 in Copenhagen, Denmark, proposed as a true record by Uffe Bodeholt and seconded by George Hirtl, carried. Matters arising - None.
4. The Secretary General submitted a verbal Report on the IKD's activities since the last Executive meeting.
5. The Vice Secretary General Report was read out and is annexed hereto "A". Additionally, the VSG attended the BID annual conference that morning and gave a short presentation on Common Minimum Standards and gave information on IKD's previously published documents and other results as well as details as mentioned in his Report annexed, following this he had a discussion with Alain Bernier (France) on co-operation between IKD and the European Council of Detectives.
6. To consider the income and expenditure accounts for the year ending 31st December 2006 and to adopt the accounts together with the report of the Treasurer and Auditor. Werner Sachse, the appointed Auditor, Reported in writing and supported the Accounts



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presented, which were carried as accepted. The Treasurer's Report was read out and is annexed hereto "**B**".

7. To consider the reports of the Member Associations. The 11 Reports that had been submitted had been earlier circulated to the membership and are available on the web site. Janko Trivunovic from Slovenia had a statement read out on the current changes in the Slovenian legislation, annexed hereto as "**C**".

8. Any other business
 - a) **European Investigators' Congress.** It was agreed that the IKD would hold the event, hosted by APDPE, in Zaragosa, Spain on 04 –to- 07 October 2007, dedicated to the CMS. The meeting agreed with the SG proposal that the IKD would contribute towards the travelling costs for the attendance of member organisations' Presidents, to be decided by the Executive but likely to be at least 200 Euros. The IKD will also consider contributing to the cost of Translation service and the room hire. David Sanmartin gave a short explanation of what is proposed for the event – debate on the CMS and Data Protection issues. The SG pointed out that the ECD were hosting an International Congress in June 2007 and that there may be a conflict as APDPE are shown as a member of the ECD on its web site. Both David Sanmartin and Julio Gutiez confirmed that the APDPE were no longer part of or supporting the ECD and would take steps to have reference to the contrary removed from the ECD web site.
 - b) **Common Minimum Standards** for Private Investigators in the EU
This had been debated during the morning session on an informal basis. A revised document would follow shortly.
 - c) **Definition** for Investigations in the Private Sector in the EU
The wording had been agreed in Copenhagen on 30th September 2006. Through the



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WAD representations had recently been received and were now pursued by Jan Stekelenburg. The issues were discussed and it was agreed that the document agreed in Copenhagen would remain but that footnotes be added to cover the new issues. The new version agreed is at annex “D”.

9. The Executive stood down and agreed to stand for re-election. Enrique de Madrid Davilla then chaired the meeting for the elections: -

Bodo Scholl seconded by Jan Stekelenburg proposed Tony Imossi for SG

Tony Imossi seconded by David Sanmartin proposed George Hirtl for VSG

Bodo Scholl seconded by Tony Imossi proposed Markus Wegst for Treasurer

There being no other nominations the positions were carried as proposed.

10. The SG resumed the Chair and appointed the following Committees:

- i. **Common Minimum Standards** – David Sanmartin; Laura Giuliani, George Hirtl
- ii. **Definitions** – Tony Imossi; John Grottum, Richard Jacques-Turner
- iii. **EU Licensing / Legislation** – Vice Secretary General
- iv. **Data Protection issues / Legislation** - Vice Secretary General
- v. **Grievance** – Eric Shelmerdine

11. The nomination for Auditor was Werner Sachse following his offer to stand, which appointment was proposed by Jan Stekelenburg and seconded by George Hirtl, carried.

12. To fix the date and venue of the next IKD Executive Meeting

Following an offer from ODV it was agreed that the next Executive Committee Conference will be in October 2008 in Vienna, Austria (details to follow).

Close of Congress



Annex “A”

Report of the VSG, George Hirtl:

1. CMS:

With Laura Giuliani, chaired by David Sanmartin I was involved into the CMS-committee, doing researches and suggestions as expected by you and the Secretary General. David and Tony already outlined the committee´s work and you had a broad discussion on the Impact Assessment Discussion Paper today.

2. Website / General remarks:

After a couple of misunderstandings and a reminder from Markus Wegst the IKD website has been modified and can now be updated easily on a regular basis. The changes are not noticeable in the layout but in storing, administrating and publishing of data, documents aso.

From the end of September 2006 through February 2006 IKD had a massive spamming of our email accounts which in figures had been up to 3000 spams a day. Due to filter rules it was possible to sort out 99,9% of the spam and keep it off the delegates and board´s mailboxes. Nevertheless I had to look through the account on a regular basis as it always happens that an email of value is not recognized. For example, a mail from a French PI seeking membership in IKD has been rated as a spam mail. I finally handed him over to Jean Schmitt and he dealt with the colleague.

3. Domains / Trademarks:

When domains with .eu were about to launch I advised the webmaster to monitor and register www.ikd.eu – but a domain grabber already had registered the site. A complaint did not succeed as IKD was neither a registered trade mark nor considered as a well-known and commonly used descriptor. I am still negotiating the price for www.ikd.eu I hope we can fix it soon.

This led into an overdue task, to register IKD as a trade mark. I let the federations name register throughout the EU as shown in the stationary as well as the logo, which is available for download on the IKD website. Trademarks will be registered for classes 45 (law services), and additionally for 39 (security transports), 35 (business services):

IKD logo as used in the stationary (similarity checked)

"IKD" (not yet approved)



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"IKD – Internationale Kommission der Detektiv-Verbände“

“IKD – International Federation of Associations of Private Detectives”

I have to inform you that a delegate lost a lawsuit because of using “member of IKD” and the logo on his stationary. I therefore ask for a proper change of the statues, it will be dealt with in “any other business” on our agenda.

I suggest the wording:

Every member- association's affiliated members are entitled for the time being to use the IKD logo and banner, registered as trademarks and published on the IKD website, in their stationary, websites, in emails, as well as other not listed forms of business-documents or advertisements, both printed and electronically. The logo and banner may be altered in size and expansion, but not in colour and/or general appearance.

4. IKD Discussion Forum:

For reason of definitions and CMS a discussion forum has been added to IKD´s website in June 2005. The forum is open for everyone registered; registering is easy submitting a username and a password. You receive an email with a link to activate your account. That´s it. Your un and pw are saved in a db and in case you forgot your pw submit your email address and you will receive a system answer with a temporary pw. IP´s are logged to track molesters. Every user also has a reserved webspace of -currently- 1000k.

Though there were more than 2500 registered views/accesses, the forum only has 7 entries, 5 had to be deleted. This is a really poor outcome. Though disappointed I am convinced that the CMS discussion can bring this feature to life.

5. IKD´s Event Calendar:

When you search IKD´s website, you´ll find an event calendar. It basically provides information about AGMs and other security industry related events. It has been programmed to have an at least EU-wide overview. The venues can be completed with geocoordinates. The database is independent from a graphical layout. IKD encourages you to implement this calendar into or link it to your Associations homepage.

6. IKD Member´s Database:

As we agreed in Copenhagen, a common database for all IKD member associations was to install. I still did not receive every member´s database, so we are still in an early stage of developing. The major problem as expected became apparent with the different standards and used programs, formulas and wording in the respective databases of the members, they reach from a simple word document to sql databases, not to talk about different defined fields and keys and other db information.



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The common database has been added values for coordinates in decimal-numbers for longitude and latitude. I already completed BID, ÖDV, and ABI with the exact coordinates. Addresses have been geocoded by their natural appearance in mapquest, janaserver, multimap and in some cases had to be verified with google earth. PO-Box addresses are geocoded with zipcode and city – the result shows the city center. These values and the other contact informations are subject to be linked to map-services through a programmed interface. As google maps already provides a user-friendly graphical surface and is available in all IKD member´s languages, we chose google maps for visual depiction.

Basically this helps locating a PI and his contact details in a specific city/area or getting an overview on a certain area quite easily.

The advantages of linking data –once these data do have a common standard- can be found in the background: an easy interactual exchange of significant information.

As I did not receive every members database I kindly ask that you send your database with the native data. We only can implement all the details, when we understand the set-up. If possible add coordinates to your databases and provide these in decimals, longitude and latitude. For updating of this database I ask the webmasters to allow a simple http-request, meaning we are pulling the required (and only those) data once a while or whenever a member urges an update.

A sample of the IKD database is published but not yet publicly accessible on a subsite. (The application is shown to the delegates)

A .kml file is available to picture the information in google earth and google maps.

7. IKD Congress

I finally got involved into a couple of things related to this Congress. I am sorry to state that the 2 strongest Associations in Germany, both our members do have their AGM at the same day. This made Spains accepted proposal for an international congress to fail.

BDD´s Secretary to the President, Hans Sturhan, had a lot of patience with me and was an outstanding help. I want to thank him for organizing this meeting.



Annex “B”

TREASURER’S REPORT 2006

The written annual settlement as per December 31 2006 is in possession of all delegates and I hope you had already time to have a look at it.

In the course of 2006, there were two associations which resigned from IKD. One of them was Russia and the second was one of the two Norwegian Associations named “The Norwegian Association for Private Investigation & Security NOPES”. The only application in 2006 came from Slovenia and this association was affiliated on the occasion of our last Executive Meeting in September in Copenhagen. In 2006 IKD contained 11 big associations with 50 or more members, 7 smaller associations with less than 50 members and two single members.

As you can see in the balance sheet, the association’s property as per December 31 2006 increased by around 3’000 Euros and was almost 33’000 Euros at the end of last year.

As usual, I am very pleased about the fact that almost all our associations have paid the contributions for 2006 in the course of the year and most of our members paid on maturity. There was only one association, namely our Spanish member APDPE, which did not pay until the end of the year. I am glad to say that they finally met their commitments and paid in February 2007.

My sustained requests not to send any checks fell on fertile ground since all our members remitted the contributions by means of international bank transfer. It was therefore possible to avoid considerable bank charges. In spite of my remarks in the invoices, some associations continued not to charge their own accounts with all the bank charges when remitting the contributions. As I did before, I will go on claiming-in-addition those bank charges which have been deducted from the annual contribution the year before. This seems to be fair towards those associations which pay attention to meet their bank charges themselves.

As I said last year, our financial situation is sound and strong and our association property of almost 33’000 Euros would be in a position to guarantee at least the financial well-being and the continuance of our association.

This was the treasurer’s report and I would like to thank you for your confidence and your attention.

Zurich, May 9 2007/WE



Annex “C”

Dear participants,

It is my great pleasure to be able to greet you and express my satisfaction upon decision of the Private investigation chamber of Republic of Slovenia that its representatives here today will be its former and present chairmen Robert RoZajand Janko Trivunoviö. In the name of all Slovene private investigators I would like you to accept our warmest thanks for the invitation and a pleasant reception.

It is our great honour to participate in such conference, so let us, in just few words, represent the detective activity in the Republic of Slovenia and express the need and expectation in the field of cooperation.

Up to this day there are 69 self-dependent private investigators with granted detective licence and 3 detective companies in the Republic of Slovenia. The beginning of the detective activity goes back in 1994, when the Law on private investigating activity was adopted. The mentioned law only allowed classical investigative activity. Through the years the legislation changed and gave detectives the right to perform the counselling for natural and legal persons in order to prevent criminal offences and other harmful activities, the right to investigate criminal offences that are prosecuted by private actions, not to mention obtaining the information on employment candidates, loyalty of employees with regards to the compliance with the competition clause provision etc.

In 2002 the Law on private investigating activity has been revised and supplemented with provisions concerning a performance of detective activity by foreign detectives in the Republic of Slovenia and considers detectives from EU member states under the condition of reciprocity. The fundamental provisions in this part of the act are in the permission, that the detective from EU member state may conduct the detective activities in the Republic of Slovenia under the title "detective" or under the professional title acquired in his home country. The importance is in the provision that the detective from EU member state shall pass the examination in understanding the legal order of the Republic of Slovenia, be proficient in Slovene and shall be trustworthy for performing a detective activity. These provisions came into effect upon Slovenia's joining the EU (in May 2004).

We are expecting another revision in the upcoming months that will give detectives the right to control some law violations by state officials in the Republic of Slovenia⁴ which will totally change so far existing legislation. Namely, for the time being the detectives can not perform the detective activity for administration of the state. The provisions concerning fact that the detectives may not perform activities for political parties, domestic and foreign security services and activities in domain of police and jurisdictional authorities of the Republic of Slovenia will remain unchanged.

Members of our association believe that the detective activity in the Republic of Slovenia, as part of private protection, acts in the joint connection with national security system, and that these elements of private protection should be a part of national security system of every modern society. Upon Slovenia's joining the EU the detectives should strive to assure a high quality and professional standards to all citizens of the European Union.

For the conclusion I would like to emphasize good relationships of Slovenian detectives with colleagues from some countries of former Yugoslavia and add, that the participation in such conference is a great stimulation for effective cooperation of all detectives of the European Union. We assure you that the language barriers are not an obstacle and that we are looking forward to our cooperation.

Thank you for your attention.



Annex “D”

The IKD definition for investigations in the private sector is:

Any surveillance, inquiries or investigations that are carried out on behalf of another, for the purpose of

- (a) obtaining information and/or evidence about a particular person¹ or about the activities or whereabouts of a particular person; or

- (b) obtaining information and/or evidence about the circumstances in which or means by which any property has been lost or damaged

The activities² included in the above Definition being:

1. Accident Investigation
2. Blackmail
3. False Accounting
4. Family Law
5. Forgery
6. Fraud Investigations
7. Loss Investigations
8. Intellectual Property
9. Legal knowledge
10. Litigation Support
11. Provenance
12. Repossessions
13. Status reports
14. Surveillance
15. Theft Investigations
16. Tracing

¹ Person includes the individual and legal entities, corporate or otherwise

² The list of activities is not exhaustive