

# Report of the President

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Since the elections in Beitostolen in 1999 until now, there have been 6 meetings of the Presiding Board, one about every two months.

The approved statutes, the standing orders and the procedure of the distribution of the badges had to be put into practice, besides the constitution and the organizational and administrative tasks.

The Presiding Board, together with the interested member countries, wanted to be informed about the recognition of the ski instructors' titles by the EU. This resolution was taken in St. Moritz in July 1999. We could invite to Innsbruck, in September, a competent speaker, Jonatan Stoodley, the person responsible for this matters in the EU-commission.

The first-hand informations were very interesting and we could also add our own ideas.

Unfortunately, this meeting has provoked an annoyance within the alpine countries gathered in the FIÖ. The result was that the Austrians drew back the Chairman of the Technical Board of the ISIA, Paul Romagna, which closed the activity of the Technical Board and the Ski-Event in France had to be cancelled, as the French had not participated in its organisation.

The Presiding Board has reorganised the Technical Board and has newly established the Boards.

Only a talk between the Presiding Board of the ISIA and the countries belonging to the FIÖ has settled the dividing of the work between the ISIA and the FIÖ. As the recognition of the professional titles of the ski instructors within the EU is an internal EU matter, we have decided that the ISIA should not interfere directly in the mutual recognition. This should be regulated between the concerned countries.

The Presiding Board, together with the Technical and Juridical Boards, has concentrated on the elaboration of the minimum standards that should regulate the membership and the new admission of members. In the future, only members with these standards should be admitted and should receive the ISIA-badge.

I would be happy if at the Congress in Sierra Nevada the minimum standard would be discussed, completed and accepted. This would be a step in the direction we started in 1993. As the Event was not fulfilled in France, the preparation of the presentation at the World Cup finals in Bormio was also cancelled. Furthermore, we could not conclude a contract for the presentation at the World Cup and our presence at the television was not guaranteed; so the Presiding Board decided to cancel the demo-show at the FIS- World Cup finals.

In the Presiding Board of the Interski we have worked on the programme and the contracts for the performing of the INTERSKI 2003. The programme should be approved at the Interski-Meeting of the Delegates in January 2001

Dear members, dear directors of ski-schools

As you can see, we can look back at a moved year. We succeeded in some things, we have to improve in others. But do not forget, that all the people who work in the Presiding Board and in the other Boards and working-groups, do it for free and most of the time during their time off. I want to thank at this point everyone for the participation and collaboration.

I want to thank especially Peter Mattli, our General Secretary who has always brought in his knowledge for the sake of the ISIA in these last years. We thank him also for introducing Hugo Reider in a helpful way to his new task. Dear Peter, thank you so much for your good job! I wish Hugo a lot of satisfaction as a Secretary General. Dear members, I thank you for your attention and I wish everybody an interesting and constructive Meeting of the Delegates with a positive resolution concerning the ski instructors' minimum standard training for the ISIA-membership!