

CIOFF® ANNUAL REPORT 2010



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2001-2010
INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR A CULTURE OF PEACE
AND NON-VIOLENCE FOR THE CHILDREN OF THE WORLD
为世界儿童建设和平与非暴力文化国际十年
DECENNIE INTERNATIONALE DE LA PROMOTION D'UNE CULTURE
DE LA NON-VIOLENCE ET DE LA PAIX AU PROFIT DES ENFANTS DU MONDE
العقد الدولي للثقافة والسلام واللاعنف لأطفال العالم
МЕЖДУНАРОДНОЕ ДЕСЯТИЛИТИЕ КУЛЬТУРЫ МИРА
И НЕНАСИЛИЯ В ИНТЕРЕСАХ ДЕТЕЙ ПЛАНЕТЫ
DECENIO INTERNACIONAL DE UNA CULTURA DE PAZ
Y NO VIOLENCIA PARA LOS NIÑOS DEL MUNDO

Major Achievements

After intensive preparatory work 2009, CIOFF® implemented several priority projects during the year 2010

- Presentation of new structure of CIOFF®
- Acceptance of 6 countries as full member : Azerbaijan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Ecuador, Ireland, Panama, Trinidad and Tobago + one associate member : Jordan Kingdom
- Nomination of Magdalena Tovornik (Slovenia) as the new CIOFF® representative to UNESCO
- Folkloriada 2012 1st -14th of October in Anseong (Korea) – Signing of the agreement - Changes of dates

Publications

- CIOFF® Calendar of Festivals 2011-2013
- CIOFF® Electronic Newsletters Entre Nous (n°8-n°9)
- Annual Report of National Sections 2009

Membership

With the newly accepted members, the total number of CIOFF® Members is now:

- 68 National Sections
- 5 Associate Members
- 18 Corresponding Members

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New Members

Full member: Azerbaijan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Ecuador, Ireland, Panama, Trinidad and Tobago,

Associate member:
Jordan Kingdom

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40th Anniversary Celebrations

CIOFF® 40th Anniversary Celebrations took place during CIOFF® World Congress and General Assembly in Papeete, Tahiti.

The Honorary President and Founder of CIOFF® Henri Coursaget, Honorary Members of CIOFF® Kari BERGHOLM from Finland, Guy LANDRY from Canada and Bruno RAVNIKAR from Slovenia and over 150 participants from 37 countries of the World gathered in the tranquil settings of French Polynesia to celebrate this milestone Anniversary of CIOFF® and reflect on CIOFF® achievements over 40 years.

CIOFF® Tahiti, with the support of the High Commissioner of the Republic in French Polynesia, of the Government of French Polynesia, of the Ministry of Culture and Arts, the Ministry of Tourism, the Ministry of Youth and Sports, and with the support of the municipalities (Communes) surrounding the town of Papeete created a fantastic memorable experience for all the guests, which will stay with us forever.



ADMINISTRATION /ACTIVITIES

2010 CIOFF® WORLD MEETING

Anseong, South Korea 16th -24th April

Anseong, South Korea hosted the 2010 CIOFF® World Meeting of the International Council of Organizations of Folklore Festivals and Folk Arts, which included CIOFF® EXCO & Council Meeting, Meeting of the Asian and Oceanian Sector, Joint Meeting of the Festivals Commission and Working Group on Public Relations and Meeting of Folkloriada Working Group.

The meeting was extremely well organized by CIOFF® Korea National Section All sessions took place in Anseong, the host city of CIOFF® Folkloriada 2012, so all the delegates also had a chance to explore the future sites of Folkloriada, get a taste of Korean Culture and Hospitality, and meet with government officials.

The delegates were also treated to performance by famous dance and music folklore group Namsadang, tour of Folklore Village and other Cultural Tours.

We are extremely grateful to CIOFF® Korea for their warm hospitality, excellent organization and for giving all of us the unique insight and unforgettable experience of the Korean culture and folklore.



Honorary President

Henry Coursaget - France

Council members

President*

Udomsak Sakmunwong – Thailand

Vice-Presidents *

Jerzy Chmiel – Poland

Aclides Hugo Ifran – Argentina

Secretary General*

Philippe Beaussant – France

Treasurer*

Esa Vilhonen – Finland

Chairman of the commissions

Cultural commission

Renaud Albasini – Switzerland

Festivals Commission

Norbert Mueller – Germany

Finance Commission

Dan Ronen – Israel

Legal commission

Cyril Renz – Switzerland

Representatives of the sector

Asian and Oceanian Sector

Muammer Arslan – Turkey

Central European Sector

Suzanne Kramer – Luxembourg

Latin American and Caribbean Sector

Socorro Maciel - Brasil

North American Sector

Barbara Campbell – Canada

North European Sector

Olga Maloney – United Kingdom

South European and African Sector

Rafael Maldonado – Spain

President of the Youth Committee

Ramiro Mansutti – Argentina

* Executive Committee



CIOFF® KOREA 2010
LEGAL COMMISSION

Meetings

The Work Program of the Legal Commission (LC) was developed and finalized mainly during the two following meetings: 12-16 May, Spring meeting in Straznice, Czech Republic, and 8 Nov., Meeting in Tahiti.

Operative Programs

1. Survey of the National Sections

The new survey program based on the “Reports on Membership Requirements” was implemented for the first time as a part of the Annual Report. These reports, established by the National Sections and the Associate Members only for their election years, are collected by the respective Sector Representatives who will report annually to the Council at its spring meeting.

2. Commitment to Excellence ★

7 new National Sections have been recognized by the GA 2010 as Committed to Excellence ★ for the period 2010-2013 (Austria, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Canada, France, New Zealand, Switzerland, USA) in addition to the 8 National Sections recognized by the GA 2009 for the period 2009-2012 (Argentina, Bulgaria, Colombia, Estonia, Germany, Hungary, Italy, United Kingdom), it means in total 15 recognized NS.

3. Application of Membership

The LC received 9 applications for Full Membership: Azerbaijan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Ecuador, Georgia, Ireland, Jordan Kingdom, Nigeria, Panama and Trinidad & Tobago. According to the new Guidelines the applications sent to the Secretary General have been assessed *on the content* by the Sector Representatives and *on the legal aspect* by the Legal Commission for decision by the Council.

4. Recognition of CIOFF® Festivals

The new procedure of cooperation with the Festivals Commission initiated last year will continue and the result presented in the Report of the Festivals Commission.

5. Transparency Program

At its meeting in Tahiti, the Council accepted the Concept for a Transparency Program presented by the LC. The Transparency Program includes the following operative programs of the LC:

- The Reports on Membership Requirements for National Sections and Associate Members
- The Progress of the Commitment to Excellence ★
- The General Revision of the By Laws, Internal Regulations and Rules of Procedure

The Transparency Program shall be implemented on Intranet before the spring meeting 2011 of the Council.

Development Programs

1. New CIOFF® Structure

As a member of the ad Hoc WG for the new CIOFF® structure, the chairman of the LC cooperated in the preparatory work and presented the project to the Sectors and the General Assembly.

Legal Commission
Chairman
Cyrril Renz - Switzerland
Member
Fernando Marani - Argentina
Vlasta Ondrusova -
Czech Republic
Ron Gauthier - Canada
Youth Member
Antonio Malozzi - Italy
Legal Adviser
Vacant

2. General Revision of the By Laws and Internal Regulations

The spring meeting of the LC was mainly dedicated to the preparatory work for the revision of the CIOFF® Rules:

- Inventory of the 22 proposals for the revision of the By Laws
- Inventory of the 22 proposals for the revision of the Internal Regulations
- Analysis of the 4 basic documents on CIOFF® future received by the NS of Argentina, Croatia, Spain and by Jean Roche, France

Future Spring meetings

2011 01-05 June LC meeting in Minturno / Italy
2012 Spring LC meeting in Winnipeg / Canada

CULTURAL COMMISSION

CIOFF® FLAGSHIP EVENT

The cultural commission had proposed that this point would be study during the sprint meeting in USA. At this time we can take in consideration our accreditation at UNESCO, the new structure and the new strategy.

CULTURAL POLICY OF CIOFF

In the next year, it will be necessary to make an evaluation if with our actions and our activities we cover the content of our cultural policy.

DEFINITIONS OF THE CATEGORIES

At present the question is the promotion of this text because it is a great help for

- The Directors of festivals in the presentations of the groups to the audience
- The Leaders of groups to know in witch categories the group performs.

The commission proposes:

- To encourage the National Sections to publish the definitions and diffuse to the members
- To encourage the festivals to publish the definitions in the catalogue of the festival
- To encourage groups leaders to inform their members about of theses definitions.

ACCREDITATION OF THE NATIONAL SECTIONS AT UNESCO FOR THE INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE

For the national sections it is difficult to obtain this accreditation because a lot of NGO's want to present an application and the selection is strong.

With the survey conducted by the Sector Representatives, we can evaluate the situation of the intention of the national sections with this matter.

CULTURE OF PEACE AND DECADE

It was the last year of the decade. CIOFF® sent an important report to the Committee at UNESCO mentioning the activities organized by CIOFF® and the results. This report was established in collaboration with the Secretary General and the Cultural Commission.

The program of culture of peace continues. So it is important to diffuse the logo of culture of peace and to organize activities and events during our festival.

CULTURAL CONFERENCE DURING THE CONGRESS

In collaboration with the National Section of Tahiti, the Cultural Commission held the Cultural Conference during the Congress of Papeete on the Topic

"CIOFF® AND THE RAPPROCHEMENT OF CULTURES"

The following speakers have presented different aspects of this topic:

- ❑ Ms. Magdalena Tovornik, Slovenia, the importance of the relations of CIOFF® with UNESCO
- ❑ Mr. Serge Dunis, Tahiti, the Anthology of Polynesian culture.
- ❑ M. Heremoana, Marc Tavane, the rapprochement of cultures through a Film Festival – FIFO
- ❑ Ms. Velma Taumihau, Papeete, Social Education through the traditional culture and handicraft
- ❑ Mr. Kahealani Faatuarai, the rapprochement of cultures between Hawai and Tahiti through the dance.

Cultural Commission

Chairman

Renaud Albasini -
Switzerland.

Members

Alexander Durtka - USA

Piet Walravens - Belgium

Ingrig Rüütel - Estonia

Beatriz Sangoy - Argentina

Wang Guilin - China

Maria Caridad Machado - Cuba

Youth Member

Ramiro Mansutti - Argentine

Member ex officio

Magdalena Tovornik - Slovenia
Representative at UNESCO

FESTIVALS COMMISSION

The preparation of the Festivals Calendar 2011 was again one of the biggest works of the Festivals Commission. It was the first time that it was possible for all National Sections (NS) to make all updates online. Since the new web site was launched online, all NS have a special login where they can access the data of their NS, that means data of the president, officers of the NS and data of the festivals. Unfortunately some NS did not respect the deadline and that was the reason why the calendar could not be published earlier. For 2011 the deadline was scheduled for July 15.

It was a success for the Festivals Commission that the income through the advertising program was bigger than last year and a part of printing and distribution cost could be covered. The experiences of the festivals taking out an ad were very positive. It was decided in the Festivals Commission and agreed by the Council that starting in 2011 all updates must be made online. Exceptions can only be accepted by written requests of a NS before the deadline.

The calendar 2011 was the first edition with a new design for the information of festivals. The printed information was reduced to the name of the festival, the city and email address and website. All other information of the contact was taken out. This information will not be printed anymore, but is available on the web site.

Another big work was the Reports on Festivals and Groups. Both reports and the Problem List were distributed on October 29, 2010 and a second time on January 06, 2011 by email from our Secretary General. More than 800 reports from groups and festivals were included in these reports. For the future it is the special wish of the Festivals Commission that all festivals should participate in this project. These reports also help festivals to improve themselves and give festivals the possibility to check the evaluation of groups. The more information is published the better is the quality of the reports. All National Delegates were requested to inform their festivals to send the information not later than one month after the festival. The Festivals Commission has the feeling that the reports are not respected in the way as they should be respected. With the information you find in the reports you can improve the quality and reputation of your festivals and groups.

The General Assembly 2001 in Santa Maria da Feira / Portugal decided that the Recognition for Festivals is for a period of ten years. That means that in 2011 the recognitions of 157 festivals will expire. In 2010 many Festivals out of these 157 have already applied for new recognition. 66 festivals received a new recognition for the next ten years. The Certificates were handed over to the National Delegates during the Closing Ceremony of the General Assembly.

WORKING GROUP ON CIOFF® WORLD FOLKLORIADA

DATE: The Sector Representatives in the Working Group, according to the Folkloriada organization, have confirmed the Fourth CIOFF® World Folkloriada will take place from August 13th to 26th 2012.

CITY: Anseong Korea has been confirmed as the host city of the Folkloriada, and the conditions offered for accommodations local transport, food, etc. have been accepted. The Mayor of the city, the CIOFF® President and Representatives of the six CIOFF® Sectors signed a responsibility agreement for the execution of various Folkloriada aspects. This event is estimated at a cost of about 3 million US dollars.

PARTICIPANTS: The participation of 50 National Sections is expected, with a maximum of 30 persons per group. 1500 foreign artists and about 300 Koreans will meet to share their Immaterial Cultural Heritage and to fraternize with the Korean town. It is expected that the Fourth World Folkloriada will attract more than 2 million spectators. The working Group and the organization of CIOFF® Korea agreed on a number of participants from each Sector: North America: 90; Asia and Oceania: 300; Central Europe: 270; North Europe: 180; South Europe: 300 and Latin America: 300. Some places are being reserved for situations that may arise in the future.

The Sector Representatives in the Working Group have the responsibility of giving to their National sections some details that cannot be included in this short

Festivals Commission

Chairman

Norbert Mueller - Germany

Members

Susanne Kramer -
Luxembourg

Arturo H. Cueto Juárez -
Mexico

Rolf Kaufman - USA

An Van Achter - Belgium

Member ex Officio

Wolfgang Denke-Otterbein
Coordinator of the Festivals
Calendar

Youth member

Georgi Stamboliev -
Bulgaria

Working Group on Folkloriada

Chairman

Hugo Ifran - Argentina

Members

Wei Zhongke - China

Guy Landry - Canada

Eva Héra - Hungary

Rui Paulo Calarrao - Portugal

Savas Tugsavul - Turkey

Joe Maloney - U. Kingdom

Mario Garcia Siani - Paraguay

Nam Yong Kim - Korea

Youth Coordinating Committee

Irene Pimpinella - Italy

Secretary

Victoria Horvath - Hungary

presentation.

GAMES DAY: There will be 5 days for the development of games between groups and with Korean public. The responsibility for this activity is a duty of the Youth Coordination Committee.

INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM: An International Symposium will take place. The topic is open to the opinion of the Sectors, suggesting, however, that it should be a topic that could include the participation of directors of the Folkloriada participating groups.

INVITATIONS: CIOFF® Korea foresaw sending the invitations to the Sectors in December. The Sectors must send them to their National Sections. In July 2010 the organization would be prepared to personalize the invitations to the groups selected by the National Sections.

FRIENDSHIP DAY: CIOFF® Korea recommends thinking about activities to take place on the "Friendship Day", that will be a free day designated to carry out the resulting proposals.

WEB PAGE: Considering that the Folkloriada is the project of the greatest artistic importance of CIOFF®, it has been agreed to bring the web page up to date and to complete it. This has been a task assumed by Mr. Guy Landry, because he has prepared a project that will be presented to the webmaster.

REGULATIONS: Considering that the present regulations are long and have been surpassed by time, it is necessary to reformulate them Ms. Eva Hera will prepare a proposal to clarify the functions, objectives, etc. of the Working Group.

DOCUMENTS: One of the tasks of the Working Group was the collection of documents of the last three Folkloriadas. These documents would be included in a book that could have the support of CIOFF® Portugal.

Ms. Susanne Kramer has performed a huge amount of work, documenting in videos and photographs the most important events of the Folkloriadas of Netherlands, Japan and Hungary. She presented her material at the meetings of the Working Group and Council, and she gave us this document that is part of the history and heritage of CIOFF®.

The Council will study the most convenient way for its publication and distribution.

TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORKING GROUP INTO A COMMISSION: The Working Group, considering that its activity is permanent and non-temporary, confirms asking the EXCO to be transformed into a Commission, and thereby its activities will reach a different level of proposal and decision making within the CIOFF® structures.

WORKING GROUP FOR CHILDREN

During the past year the WGC concentrated its efforts on the collection of children's most popular songs from all of CIOFF® members, with the support of the WGC and the Sector Representatives. To date we have received submissions from 54 countries.

The WGC is attempting to develop criteria for organizers of children's festivals and during its meeting in Papeete, Tahiti the committee made its first attempt to develop a number of criteria. More discussion will be necessary before a final document can be produced.

The creation of a database for children's festivals and children's groups is in its preparatory stages. While there is minimal interest, from the National Sections at this time, we encourage all NS to cooperate with the WGC and submit the data on the forms previously distributed.

Finally, the planned CIOFF® International Conference devoted to the problems of children's and tutor's education, during the CIOFF® Cultural Conference in Korea in the spring of 2010, was cancelled by CIOFF® Korea and we encourage all NS to consider hosting such a conference.

Fortunately, during the World Congress in Tahiti CIOFF® USA proposed the possibility of hosting the children's conference in the Summer/Fall Season of 2011.

***Working Group for
Children
Chairman***

Jerzy Chmiel - Poland

Members:

Barbara Campbell - Canada

Vlasta Ondrusova -

Czech Republic

Jozsef Szigetvari - Hungary

Meng-Chien Wu - Chinese

Taipei

Eugenia Cirano-Rojas - Chile

Alexander Petrov-Bulgaria

Youth Member

Daiana Jacquier - Argentina

WORKING GROUP FOR TRAINING AND EDUCATION

Working Group on Training and Education (WGTE) welcomed its new members and reviewed the CIOFF® websites: CIOFF® Benefits to Festivals, CIOFF® Educational Role and the WGTE Terms of Reference (TOR).

- It was decided to lay aside the simplified **Survey on the Implication of Strategies for**

Training and Education that has been circulated annually to all national delegates, sectors and national sections to collect information about CIOFF® education/training presentations, workshops, seminars and conferences since the response has been minimal.

- The WGTE again took under consideration the proposal recommended to CIOFF® National Sections - a project of in-service training workshops for young CIOFF® choreographers and musicians - that was submitted in 31/08/09 by Dan Ronen, CIOFF®- Israel and the proposal from CIOFF® Youth to jointly work together to research, interview and publish articles that demonstrate best practices in the area of educating and training teachers, performers and festivals that was submitted by WGTE member Anne-Wietske Enequist, CIOFF® Netherlands.

After reviewing **Playing Together**, the WGTE decided to use a different format for publication of major articles and would consider shorter pieces for the youth magazine.

The WGTE developed a plan to collect articles from experts and interviews by CIOFF® Youth to be published both electronic and in hard copy with representation from each Sector the first year and two-years later with representation from the National Sections. The focus will create awareness and methods to raise the level of transmission and presentation of expressive cultural heritages through training programs for artistic leaders, especially young leaders, instructors, festival organizers and teachers throughout CIOFF® and will serve as a resource for its members.

- WGTE continues to encourage festivals, cultural performances and demonstrations to communicate with their audiences and educate them to facilitate an increased understanding and appreciation of traditional culture. When people understand the presentation, they deepen their understanding of the culture and, understanding the Culture the audience better understands the performance and continues to support preservation and transmission of the traditional culture.

- WGTE continues to seek representation from Southern European/African Sector(s).

YOUTH MOVEMENT

Summary of the main activities undertaken during the period November 2009 – November 2010

1. Communication

1) New mail address

Because of a question of organization, the Youth Coordination Committee has created an email address that will be used to send general information to all the youth delegates. The address created is the following: cioff.ycc@gmail.com

2. Cooperation with IMC

Since the president's intervention of YCC during the 3rd World Forum of Music of IMC in 2009 and the creation of IMC Youth Advisory Group, CIOFF® Youth worked strongly with IMC. During this year, CIOFF® Youth collaborate to the Newsletter of CIOFF® sending an article about our movement; this newsletter was sent to all the members of IMC. We are invited to attend to the next World Forum of the Music in Tallinn 2011. We decided to send Laura Liinat from Estonia to the Forum as our youth representative and we propose to Claire, the current president of YAG, a Lecture about Music related to Traditional Games.

3. 4th World CIOFF® Youth Forum

The 4th World CIOFF® Youth Forum took place in Caruaru city, Brazil, from 21st to 28th of August 2010 and attended to this Forum 25 youth coming from 13 countries: Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, South Korea, Costa Rica, Estonia, Finland,

Working Group on Training and Education

Chairman

Sharon Durtka - USA

Member

Bill Thomas - New Zealand
Alejandro Camacho - Mexico

Youth Member

Anne-Wietske Enequist -
Netherlands

France, Italy, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal and Venezuela.

The Brazilian organization was fantastic. All the necessary elements were given and the meetings developed without any problems. Following there are the most important resolutions and also some important points of the Forum:

Lectures

Since the first edition of the Forum, in 2001, the YCC organized during the sections a space dedicated to the Cultural Lectures because we have the idea that a Forum has to be a side where the youth can also know other concepts to help him to implement the cultural projects.

During the last Forum we organized two cultural conferences: the first one discussed by the vice President Alcides Hugo Ifran on the Globalization and cultural identities and the second one was presented by the Prof. José Feliciano de Amorin Filho, of IFPE – campus Recife who presented a Conference about the Education and development. Both the conferences were very good ad up on the level and also they woke up the interests of all the presents and there was also an interesting discussion at the end of the expositions.

Workshops:

The workshops are important because they are an answer to the common questions and also stimulate new projects In the future. In this case we did workshops: the first one was related to the implementation of the world wide program of traditional games and the second one was dedicate to “new youth commissions”. Both the workshops had very good results for the future grow up of our youth movement.

Games Day

To continue with the implementation of the World Wide Program of Traditional and Popular Games that started successfully in 2007, the YCC and the Brazilian National Section organized a “Games Day in the Caruaru Festival”. It would be a sample as the one that we projecting for the World Folkloriada in 2012 in South Korea. During this activity we had more than 400 children of 55 schools of Caruaru and they shared traditional games with the youth participants of the Forum. It was organized in order to allow the children to enjoy the games of Colombia, Portugal or Korea let them free to move around the space that we had for that activity. It was a wonderful experience for the children but also for us that enjoyed fully this exchange and we learnt a lot about this so important aspect of the Traditional Culture who is the Traditional Game.

Several resolutions of the Forum:

1) Magazine Playing Together n°2

Within the main resolutions achieved during the Youth World Forum we have the realization of the second number of our Magazine “Playing Together”. This magazine collects activities made by national youth commissions on the preservation of traditional games. The magazine was printed in English and Spanish and will be distributed during this Congress to all the delegates. During the youth meetings of this congress it has been decided to continue with this the 3rd number of this magazine for the next year.

2) Working Group for Translations

Other achievement of the Forum was the creation of the “working Group for Translation”, an ad hoc group who has the charge to translate into the 3 official languages of CIOFF®: English, Spanish and French. The group started to work with the translation of the articles for the Magazine Playing Together and also for the ones of the Youth Newsletter that will be distributed soon to all the members of CIOFF®.

3) Medal of Honor of CIOFF® Youth

This idea born to celebrate the 10 years of the 1st meeting of the WG for Youth and almost 20 since the creation of the first commission of Youth in 1993, the YCC decided to establish recognition to the people that contributed fully to the born and development of CIOFF® Youth an international level. The name of this recognition id Medal of Honor of CIOFF® Youth and it consists in a medal and a certificate who establishes the support given to the youth movement.

In the frame of the 4th World Forum of Youth we decided to deliver the 1st Medal of Honor to the Prof. Alcides Hugo Ifran, the vice-president of CIOFF®, who was the

President

Irene Pimpinella - Italy

Vice-president

Ramiro Mansutti - Argentina

Secretary

Antonio Mallozzi - Italy

Treasurer

Fanny Mathinier - France

Festival Commission

Emerson Fandiño - Colombia

Legal Commission

Antonio Mallozzi - Italy

Cultural Commission

Ramiro Mansutti - Argentina

WG for Children

Daiana Jacquier - Argentina

WG for Folkloriada

Gin Hwang - South Korea

WG for Training and Education

Laura Liinat - Estonia

Latin American Sector

Daiana Jacquier - Argentina

Northern European Sector:

Laura Liinat - Estonia

Southern European and African Sector

Julie Landrevie - France

founder of the 1st national youth commission in Argentina and also he was one of the main supporter of the youth international meetings organizing the 1st Latin American Meeting of CIOFF® Youth in 1999 and the 1st World Youth Forum in 2001.

4) CIOFF® Youth Handbook

As a result of the workshops realized during the Forum, the Youth started to elaborate a Handbook of CIOFF® Youth. It will be a practical guide for the National Sections that want to start the work with youth.

5) Sector Coordinators

A new idea from this Forum is the designation of Coordinators for the Sectors that do not have national commissions or they are just born. The coordinator is not a representative of the sector because his charge is just to help the constitution of new commissions but he/she will not be part of YCC.

For that reason we designed the following Sector Coordinator:

Asia and Oceania: Gin Hwang

North America: Lauren Jahn

Central Europe: Ramiro Mansutti

New members:

We are very happy to inform you that we included new members to the youth movement of CIOFF®: Canada, Costa Rica, Slovenia, New Zealand, Portugal, Thailand and Venezuela.

SECTORS

ASIAN AND OCEANIAN SECTOR

The task for members of CIOFF® Asian and Oceanian Sector in 2010 focused mainly on the celebration of the cultural events, especially festivals in their countries and the participation of folk groups from their countries in international festivals abroad. While, an inspiring phenomenon came out that Korea, New Zealand and Thailand succeeded in their attempts to get the youth involved in the CIOFF® activities, such as the 4th CIOFF® Youth Forum in Caruaru, Brazil and the 40th CIOFF® World Congress in Papeete, Tahiti.

While, the major events in the CIOFF® Asian and Oceanian Sector in 2010 were firstly the 2010 CIOFF® Asian and Oceanian Spring Sector Meeting, held between 18 and 22 April in Anseong, Korea, in which it was decided to strengthen the communication and cooperation among members of the sector by encouraging the less- active members to join the sector activities and looking for new members. Also it was decided that the 6th CIOFF® Asian and Oceanian International Folklore Festival would take place in Anseong, Korea in 2011 as pre- festival for the 2012 CIOFF® World Folkloriada. Moreover, in the CIOFF® Asian and Oceanian Sector Meeting in Papeete, Tahiti, Jordan was accepted as associate member of the sector while the application of Nepal was postponed. In the same meeting, members of the sector also reached the agreement that the cooperation between CIOFF® and IOV in the CIOFF® Asian and Oceanian Sector was open; however, it was NOT obligation at all for the merge of the two organizations since the situation in each national section of the sector was totally different.

As for the future events in the sector, the 2011 CIOFF® Asian and Oceanian Spring Sector Meeting, with focus on the selection of the participating groups from the sector for the 2012 CIOFF® World Folkloriada in Anseong, Korea was planned to take place in Kocaeli, Turkey between 21st and 25th April 2011 while the 6th CIOFF® Asian and Oceanian Children's Festival will be held between 19th and 25th April 2011 at the same place.

LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN SECTOR

National Sections of the Latin American Sector carried out various activities in 2010:

Folk Festivals, Cultural Forum, World Youth Forum CIOFF®, Seminars, Conferences, Youth Participation Project, Folklore Project Developed in Education, Community

<p>Asian and Oceanian Sector Mr. Muammer Arslan - Turkey</p>

Art Project, Annual Edition of the Journal of Youth Research Project, Book Publishing, Youth Camp, Training courses for Folk Festival Directors and Group Managers, S.O.S. Indigenous Project, Audiovisual Edition DVD formats.

Election Sector

President Alejandro Camacho - Mexico
Speaker Ivrose Green - Haiti

**Latin American and
Caribbean Sector**
Socorro Maciel - Brazil

Legal Commission

Argentina and Colombia received CIOFF® Commitment to Excellence recognition

Ecuador and Panama were approved as full members at the General Assembly in Tahiti.

Festivals Commission

Granted recognition to International Folklore Festival Caruaru-Pernambuco and International Folklore Festival of Passo Fundo, Rio Grande do Sul.

CIOFF® Youth

The Coordinating Committee reported on the work within the framework of the 4th Forum of Young CIOFF®, which took place in the period 21 to 28 August 2010 in the city of Caruaru - Pernambuco, Brazil. The Vice-President Hugo Ifran noted that all the youth delegates had their accommodation, food, transportation, and other costs covered through the efforts of CIOFF® Brazil who provided everything necessary for the Forum and parallel events organized by the Coordination Committee.

CIOFF® World Congress 2011

Confirmed that the next Assembly and World Congress will take place in Recife / Brazil from 12 to 19 November 2011

SOUTH EUROPEAN AND AFRICAN SECTOR

On the sad side of the events of the year - unfortunately, but not differently from the rest of our world – all the members had to cope with severe cuts in the budgets for their festivals and activities, and this forced the majority of them to lower the size of the presentations and some of them were even forced to cancel some events.

Despite that, the Sector members are active and strongly determined to continue their commitment to folklore and traditional arts.

On the happy side of the events, the South European & African Sector this year saw the renewed presence of the Greece National Section among its members.

Moreover, the associated member CIOFF® Bosnia Herzegovina eventually succeeded in completing the tiresome procedure of getting all the necessary official documents and recognition in order to achieve the full member status inside CIOFF® and the Sector.

The same is true for the associated member CIOFF® RD Congo and their official request for full membership will eventually be processed in a short time.

The Sector had its spring meeting from 13th to 15th of May 2010 in Split, organized and hosted by the CIOFF® Croatia National Section. 12 full members, one associate member and two corresponding members were present.

At the meeting, a discussion was started about the updating of the Internal Regulations, which are 22 years old. Opinions were collected, but it was decided to start with proposing some regulations about the operations of the Sector meetings, while other points will be finalized in the future, in accordance with the forthcoming Internal Regulations of CIOFF®.

**South European and African
Sector**
Rafael Maldonado - Spain

A proposal about “Meeting Regulations” has been prepared by the offices and distributed at the Sector meeting held in Papeete on November 10th and will be discussed and voted in the next spring meeting in 2011.

In the spring meeting in Split the President informed the members about some contacts he had with associations and organizations from different African countries, in order to implement the commitment to help the African members to achieve a Sector organizations on their own.

These activities have been continued over the year and, at the moment, contacts are maintained with associations in 11 African countries: Nigeria, Mauretania, Sierra Leone, Cameroon, Morocco, Tunisia, Algeria, Botswana, Kenya, Tanzania and South Africa. Hopefully, some of them will eventually succeed in organizing their CIOFF® National Sections.

The Sector activities will continue, through the year 2011, according to the guidelines of the “Plan of Action at short and medium term” discussed at the Split meeting.

NORTH AMERICAN SECTOR

The NAS held two meetings in 2010. The first meeting was held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA as part of its conference held June 18-20, 2010, hosted by CIOFF® USA, the International Institute of Wisconsin and Holiday Folk Fair International.

In addition to the NAS meeting, the weekend’s agenda included a variety of cultural activities, workshops, a North American Youth Forum and a key-note address by Guy Landry, Director General of Folklore Canada International.

The second meeting was held in Papeete Tahiti, November 10, 2010. Fifteen participants were present from Canada and the USA.

The highlights of the NAS’s activities were the contacts with Trinidad and Tobago, Jamaica and Belize. Unfortunately, the representatives from these countries were not able to attend our meeting as well as the World Congress in Tahiti. However, an application for full membership was received from Dr. Vijay Ramlal Rai on behalf of the Chutney Organization of Trinidad and Tobago. The application has been approved by the NAS and submitted to the Legal Commission with a copy to the Secretary General.

Communication with Jamaica is ongoing with regular submissions of Entre Nous, the Annual Report and references to the CIOFF® website.

The development of the Youth Movement is experiencing challenges with distance, cost, and time. CIOFF® Canada has established leadership and mentoring programs and was able to identify a youth to attend the World Congress in Tahiti. CIOFF® USA has a representative involved in the National and North American Sector meetings as moderator and workshop presenter as well as attending the World Congress in Turkey, Cuba and Tahiti.

In Tahiti the meeting was informed of the change of date for Folkloriada to October 1-14, 2012.

The chairman of the Legal Commission informed the meeting of CIOFF®’s new objectives and structure, the Treasurer explained the Budget for 2011 and the procedure for the registration of CIOFF® name and logo. The NAS has decided to apply for the registration within each NS for reduced costs.

Magdalena Tovornik then joined the meeting to introduce herself as the proposed CIOFF® Representative to UNESCO. We welcomed her with our best wishes for a successful tenure.

The meeting was very pleased to learn that the Council meeting in Tahiti accepted the application from Trinidad and Tobago and we congratulate Dr Vijay Ramlal Rai for completing the application successfully on behalf of Trinidad and Tobago.

Commitment to Excellence was awarded to Canada at the initial stage and to the USA at the intermediate stage.

The World Congress in Winnipeg, Canada, is now being considered for 2013.

A letter of interest for the 2016 Folkloriada was received from Milwaukee USA.

North American Sector

Ms. Barbara Campbell -
Canada

NORTH EUROPEAN SECTOR

At present some of the National Sections in the North European Sector are still going through quite a difficult time with regards to the economic situation, especially with funding withdrawn from National Sections in Baltic States. As result, North European Sector had 2 meetings in 2010: Spring Meeting in Stockholm (Sweden), where only 4 out of 8 National Sections were present and Autumn Meeting here in Papeete (Tahiti), where only 3 National Sections were present.

In spite of that, a lot of successful events and activities took place in the Sector:

- Baltica Festival in Estonia
- New Training Centre which was opened by Estonian National Folklore Council in 2009 is running extremely versatile and successful program of training for both Children & Adults.
- Billingham International Folklore Festival, which is now in its 47th year, have received a huge endorsement from UK Heritage Fund, which has given financial support to the project "Legacy of Billingham Festival" in the run up to the Festival's 50th Anniversary in 2014.
- CIOFF® Finland had some significant progress regarding the discussions with UNESCO Finland on ratification of the convention on Intangible Cultural Heritage.
- Youth movement has been very prominent in CIOFF® Estonia, which is again represented by two Youth Delegates at the CIOFF® World Congress in Tahiti. At the CIOFF Youth World Forum CIOFF® Youth Estonia delegate Laura Liinat was elected a Representative of North European Sector on Youth Coordinating Committee. CIOFF® Youth movement in Finland is now again gathering pace.
- CIOFF® Ireland membership was terminated in 2009, but today we are extremely pleased to welcome CIOFF® Ireland back into CIOFF® Family. New CIOFF® Ireland is based on organization called Clasac, authentic Irish traditional cultural center, the aim of which is to promote traditional Irish Music and culture around the World. The new CIOFF® Ireland at present has 3 organizations, 5 groups and 35 individuals as its members. We hope that all the other National Sections will be able to establish good links with new CIOFF® Ireland for the future cooperation.
- In the coming year our Sector will continue to concentrate our efforts on strengthening National Sections in our Sector; which have problems at present.

North European Sector
Olga Maloney -
United Kingdom

CENTRAL EUROPEAN SECTOR

The spring meeting of the CES was held in Cluj-Napoca, Romania from May 6 till 9, 2010.

One of the main topics during this meeting was to find a way of strengthening the National Sections and the way to invite groups. After good discussions we decided that our Sector should make a Sector Resolution for the General Assembly that the future of CIOFF® is depending on a good Network.

Membership in the sector: we have discussed about the representative of Moldova and the Central European Sector does not support any proposal for a special treatment for this delegate.

The Terms of Reference of the Fund Raiser was accepted without any remark. It was noted that we talk longtime about the fundraiser, but there is no result at all.

With the point proposals from the Sectors, we had a good discussion about the work and the age of the youth. Proposed was that this could be a good topic for the Open Forum, development of the model of youth.

With thanks to Marin Barbu and Ioan Cocian this meeting was a very successful one.

During our Sector meeting in Papeete, Tahiti, the draft of the new structure was explained and discussed. Ramiro introduced himself as our Sector Youth Coordinator. However the Slovenian youth member Masa Kumperger was ready to take up this task with the help of Ramiro.

Anne-Wietske Enequist from the Netherlands is nominated, with the support of

Central European Sector
Susanne Kramer -
Luxembourg

our Sector, as a full member of the Working Group on Training and Education.
Our next Sector meeting will be held in Novgorod, Russia.

CIOFF® AND UNESCO

1. NEW DELEGATE OF CIOFF® UNESCO

CIOFF® / UNESCO office in Paris was closed at the end of the year 2009 and Mr. Jean Roche who has been for many years a Permanent Delegate of CIOFF® to UNESCO resigned. During the year 2010 – Magdalena Tovornik - was asked to attend some meetings in Paris.

During the 40th CIOFF® WORLD CONGRESS in TAHITI in November 2010, Magdalena Tovornik - was elected as a Delegate of CIOFF® to UNESCO.

2. DIRECTOR GENERAL OF UNESCO

New Director General Mrs. Irina Bokova underlined her intention to strengthen the dialogue with civil society at different occasions. I personally talked to her and explain my new function and the importance of CIOFF® for a better understanding and the implementation of the Convention for the safeguarding of the Intangible cultural heritage all over the world.

3. CIOFF® ACCREDITATION

CIOFF® sent a request to UNESCO to be accredited to provide advisory services to the ICH Committee already in May 2009 but UNESCO asked CIOFF® to provide some new elements in order to get a positive answer. At the end of October CIOFF® succeeded to do that and got a positive answer. Our demand will be officially approved at the next ICH Committee meeting.

4. PARTICIPATION OF CIOFF® REPRESENTATIVE Magdalena Tovornik to UNESCO meetings in 2010

- General Assembly meeting of the state's parties to the Convention for safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage, Paris 22 – 24 June
- Committee of International Non-Governmental Organizations, Paris 6 -8 October
- NGO meeting with the Vice President of Liaison Committee ONG – UNESCO, Paris, 7 October
- NGO –UNESCO International Day, Paris, 9 December

5. IOV and IMC – we decided to keep a dialogue and share experience. There was a successful meeting with IMC in June in Paris.

During the 40TH WORLD CONGRESS MEETING IN PAPEETE, TAHITI, we decided to improve CIOFF® – UNESCO relations, to work more on the implementation of ICH Convention in our countries and to improve CIOFF® visibility in UNESCO **in general**.

FINANCES

The finance commission in its meeting on 8th November 2010 went over the full year estimate of the budget of 2010, presented by the treasurer Esa Vilhonen (The final report for 31/12/2010 is in preparation).

There was no deficit in 2010, a year in which we continue to develop our two main projects: - The Internet pages - The calendar of Festivals.

The commission noted that the Cioff® youth "participation program of International games", was finalized in the year 2009; and that the "Calendar of Festivals" exceeds the budget in the year 2010, due to transportations and mailing costs – which will not be repeated in 2011.

The commission noted that in order to develop international CIOFF® projects we have to do the following:

1. Appoint a professional fundraiser (on percentage or retainer basis); who will lead and direct commissions and working groups in the process of initiating and developing attractive projects, identify contributions, resources and donors and approach them professionally.
2. Encourage NS to initiate projects attractive to donors.

CIOFF® Representative to UNESCO

Magdalena Tovornik -
Slovenia

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Canada

Youth Member

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Member ex officio

Esa Vilhonen - Finland

3. Encourage NS to assess and pay voluntarily more than the basic membership fees.
4. Use more the potential of the Calendar and the Website for public relations and for raising funds.
5. To improve the use of CIOFF® network for invitations for groups to festivals via the relevant NS. A procedure which could save the groups and festivals in paying to commercial agents; saving of expenses which could be used for CIOFF® projects.
6. Develop revenue bearing international projects mainly in the fields of in-service training for choreographers, in cooperation with relevant institutions.
7. Help N.S to turn to international agencies, especially the National Commissions of UNESCO and Internationally sponsored program of UNESCO and other NGO and international foundations.

NATIONAL SECTIONS' ANNUAL REPORT 2009

The Annual Report of National Sections 2009 was prepared based on the reports received from 50 National Sections. In 245 international and 52 national folklore festivals, 1.466 foreign and 3.107 national folklore groups with 161.879 participants took part. Festival presentations were observed by 9.604.170 spectators; there were 982 TV and 3.913 radio transmissions from these events. During the festivals, various complementary programs and activities were organized:

- Conferences, seminars at: 85
- Festivals exhibitions at: 154 festivals
- Meetings, discussion with audience: at 80 festivals
- Handicraft's programs: at 135 festivals
- Music programs: at 138 festivals
- Meetings of friendship: at 175 festivals
- Parades: at 204 festivals
- Typical food: at 112 festivals
- Children's games: at 68 festivals
- Educational programs for children: at 65 festivals
- Educational programs for adults: at 55 festivals
- Activities for handicapped/sick people: at 25 festivals
- Workshops: at 105 festivals
- Free excursions (to learn the country's culture): at 137 festivals
- Religious (oecumenic - multireligious) services: at 68 festivals

National Sections organized 81 cultural conferences, seminars and workshops with attendance of 7.444 participants and prepared 47 printed publications.

During the year there were 88 General Conferences of National Sections, 174 meetings of Executive Boards and 133 meetings of committees and national councils.

WORKING GROUP ON PUBLIC RELATIONS

CIOFF® Newsletter "Entre Nous"

In 2010 two editions of CIOFF® electronic Newsletter "Entre Nous" have been published and distributed among the CIOFF® Network. The latest newsletter, which came out in June 2010, has a new design, the aim of which was to incorporate the corporate CIOFF® design used in the CIOFF® Brochure and on CIOFF® Website. This publication is proving to be extremely popular and the amount of interest shown by CIOFF® Members is growing all the time. CIOFF® PRWG would like to express their thanks to everyone who sent their contributions for the Newsletter.

Next CIOFF® Newsletter "Entre Nous" will be dedicated to 40th Anniversary of CIOFF®. The deadline for submission of contributions from National Sections is 15th December 2010.

International Group Directory

After the launch of the international group directory project in spring 2010, we so far received 4 group directories from USA, Argentina, Estonia and Germany. Those 4 directories will now be published on the "Intranet" pages of CIOFF® Website,

available for members use.

Any other National Sections willing to submit their directory of folklore groups please send it by email to PR Working Group to be published on the CIOFF® Website “Intranet”. There is no deadline and the directories can be published or updated at any time.

WEBSITE

Since February 2011 the new CIOFF® Website is now online. The first language was English. In October 2010 the French version was launched. The Spanish version is in the translation process and will be published as soon as it is available.

With the new website there are now more possibilities to get information. For example it is possible to search in different ways for information about festivals. You can now seek for festivals in a sector, in a country and in a special period and you even can combine the search fields.

One very important advantage is that the National Sections are now able to make updates directly online on the website and all changes are implemented immediately. All information can be kept up - to - date now during the whole year.

The structure for the available documents will be revised. We were informed by several National Sections that they had problems to find special documents. Also the visitors to the website now have more possibilities to get information about CIOFF® on the website. For example it is now very easy to get information how to become a member of CIOFF®. Applicants can complete an online form with all the necessary information for a first contact. This online form will be sent directly to the relevant person in CIOFF®.

Till today a lot of positive comments saying that the website is now more visible and more informative were received. We are constantly looking at the ways to improve the Website. We are open for comments, proposals and ideas in emails for improvements

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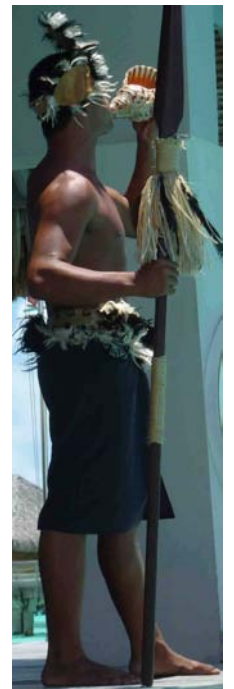
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