

**ERA** European Ramblers' Association

**EWV** Europäische Wandervereinigung

FERP Fédération Européenne de la Randonnée Pédestre

## Newsletter 3/2017

August 2017

#### **ERA conference in Brasov:**

#### **Know-How sessions programme:**

6 Know-How sessions for all participants of the ERA conference will be held this year. Each session is held in a mininium of two languages. A short report on each session will be a part of the Minute of the General Meeting. The programme is as follows:

**Leading Quality Trails** - How can member organisations be more closely involved in this programme. Information about workshops for member organisations' specialists.

**Level of difficulty on paths** – A new French definition of the difficulty levels for walkers.

**European Week of Sport - #BeActive** – Information about the European Week of Sport and its importance to ERA and member organisations.

**Kochalpin-Snowline Chainsen** - Presentation of equipment for walking in winter.

**New activity of FFRandonnée on the coast** - This new way to "walk" has had success in France and brings new (and younger) members into local organisations.

**Result of the DWV survey on "Financing of walking trails"** - This survey was conducted by Deutscher Wanderverband and distributed to all ERA member organisations.

#### **Elections:**

An election for one half of the presidium will take place at the General Meeting in Brasov. The president, 2<sup>nd</sup> vice-president, treasurer and assessor require to be elected by the delegates. The candidates are:

President: Boris Mićić, Planinarski Savez Srbije (RS)

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-president: Armand Ducornet, Fédération Française de la Randonnée Pédestre (F)

Treasurer: Joep Naber, Wandelnet (NL)

Assessor: Steen Kobberø-Hansen, Dansk Vandrelaug (DK)





## **European Week of Sport - #beActive**

The European Commission of Sport is organising this special event for the third time. The dates have been fixed as 23 - 30 Sept. 2017. This programme is open to the public at large,



regardless of age, physical activity level or/and the place and everyone has a chance to participate. In 2016 more than 15,000 events were held in 27 EU countries with around 10 million active participants taking part. ERA became a partner of European Week of Sport again this year. If you have organised some walks during this week, just use them for this programme. You must contact your national coordinator to be registered. The ERA office will help you to get the details of the contact. The activity and the organisation will be recognised on the EU official webpages as well as by the large national public and local authorities. You can find more information at:

http://ec.europa.eu/sport/week/

More detailed information about this programme will be a part of the Know-How session programme on Friday 29/9 in Brasov.

#### **Eurorando 2021**

The deadline for organisations who wished to host Eurorando 2021 was on 1 August 2017. There have been no proposals received to host the Event yet. We will discuss the situation at the ERA conference in Brasov at the end of September.

If you want more information about the conditions for hosting the Event, please contact the ERA secretariat.

Welcome!

8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> November 2017

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# E1 | R1 Photo Award:

The European long-distance hiking trail, the E1, and the European Bicycle Route, the R1, only intersect once. This intersection is found in the Teutoburg Forest and is both the trigger for the international E1|R1 Photo Award as well as from where the award drew its name – initiated by the Competence Center for Hiking, WALK, in Detmold, and backed by the Deutscher Wanderverband (DWV) as well as the European Ramblers' Association (ERA).



The first international photo contest calls for both hobby and professional photographers to partake in separate competitions, submitting the most beautiful and spectacular photographs taken in the direct surroundings of both trails. A total prize pool of approximately 50,000 Euros is up for grabs, which will be awarded by an independent Jury in the context of celebrations for the 118<sup>th</sup> German National Hiking Day (118. Deutscher Wandertag) in 2018 in Detmold.

The submission period for the photo contest will start on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2017 and will end on the 31<sup>st</sup> of March 2018. Photo enthusiasts and professional photographers can submit their photos in four categories: Culture and Landscape, Man and Nature, Sky and Earth as well as Animals and Nature. Professional photographers must submit a series of between 3 and 4 scenes while a single scene will suffice when submitting for the amateur award. You can find more information about the international E1 | R1 photo award, the categories and the conditions of participation at: www.e1r1-photoaward.eu.



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