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Report

In the period from April 2015 until now, following significant events took place:

Annual meeting on April 25, 2015 in Amsterdam

The essential decisions of the General Meeting:

- Regularly discussion of Rules and Regulations of Professional PI of Germany, (Berufsordnung für Detektive in Deutschland) "BID Code of Ethics". No changes were necessary
- -the German professional Association „Bavaria Association of Private Investigators“ (Bayerische Detektiv-Verband, BDV) applied for membership at BID. After discussion, the membership accepted the application and they get a warm welcome.
- There were also discussion about the preparing of planned Auditing of BID- Continuing Professional Development Programme in October 2015, Berlin. Participants were our members and not organised members. Training workshops are open for public.
- The annual meeting welcomes participants and guests of the Netherlands Professional Association, BPOB. The President Ms Els Leijds spoke to the members. There was great interest in a closer cooperation between the two organizations.

Part of the annual meeting were also a professional seminar.

Lecturer, Dr. Gerhard Grüner, Lawyer. Topic of its 3 hour-seminar:

»EU-Law«. This topic concentrated to Possibilities and Limits of European law For private Investigations in connection of exchanges if information between European countries.

- "Risks of private law investigations and in the information processing."
- "Lack of evidence and perception of foreign interests."
- The membership gave a positive response to the (most) monthly „Newsletter“
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- Some members worked very hard to prepare the documents for the necessary documents for Certification our BID-Continuing-Professional-Development-Programme and for the Auditing by IKD-Committee.
- The Auditing attend in October 23/24, 2015, Berlin.
Organized a workshop on "Photography in the investigative procedures".

The topics included:

- Photographic recording techniques
- Critical shooting situations
- Special recording situations
- Practical exercise
- Picture Control via software

(Please ask for detailed report)

Auditing Committee: Tony Imossi, Richard Newman (both UK), Georg Hirtl (Austria) and John Grøttum (Norway).

Our invitation to participate in the workshop was followed by colleagues from Poland, Switzerland and Romania. Altogether there we were 34 participants.

Next Professional Workshop will start with its main topic: OSINT

Introduction to the topic we be start by two Lectures in Hamburg occasionally the Annual Meeting of BID.